

Working Group Report to the Board

1. Working Group: PLANNING
2. Champion: CITY OF LAS VEGAS
3. Working Group Members: only jurisdictional partners were present for the meeting: Las Vegas – Angela Phillips, Richard Herrmann, Steve Rehberger; North Las Vegas – Rick Damian; and Clark County- Catherine Huang Hara.
4. Date, Time, and Location of Working Group Meeting
 - September meeting was held on Thursday, September 28th from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. at Las Vegas City Hall 5th Floor, 495 S. Main Street, Las Vegas 89101.
 - Standing meeting dates in 2017 remain the same: 4th Thursdays 1:00-2:30 pm, Las Vegas City Hall 5th Floor, 495 S. Main Street, Las Vegas 89101.
5. Accomplishments-Action Items Completed:
 - City of Las Vegas and Clark County worked to reassign the Point in Time Count census tracks in alignment with the resources available at the Catholic Charities deployment site.
6. Near term: Action Items In-progress/Pending:
 - N/A
7. Sub-Committee Reports
 - **Youth**
 - Full meetings on hiatus. Due to the time commitment of the coordinated entry project, the Youth Working Group will be taking a break for the summer and will reconvene this upcoming fall. They will be sure to inform the group of any important updates in the meantime, as well as the date for the next meeting.
 - The Youth Coordinated Entry Subcommittee (YCES), a subgroup of the Youth Working Group, has been working hard on setting the foundation for a youth coordinated entry system to become incorporated into the overall Southern Nevada Coordinated Entry System. The idea of this endeavor is for homeless youth in our community to receive stable housing under the Las Vegas/Clark County Continuum of Care in the most streamlined, efficient manner possible. This has been a massive project since the initiation of the group this past January, but we are finally in the final stages of the project and anticipate that the youth coordinated entry system will be launching this summer, far in advance of HUD’s mandatory rollout date of January 2018. See attached.
 - **Housing**
 - Standing Meetings Scheduled for: 1st Wednesdays 1:30- 3:30, Las Vegas City Hall 5th Floor.
 - Wednesday, September 6th from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
 - In attendance: Co-Leader Steven Silverman (HELP USA), Co-Leader Monica Gresser (BRAZENarchitecture), Angela Phillips (City of Las Vegas), Karen

Schneider (CCSS), Carla Thomas (Willing Hands), Kathi Thomas-Gibson (City of Las Vegas), Arneva Smith (NV Medicaid), Kimi Schroeder (US Vets), Ritchie Duplechien (HPN-myConnections), Laure Raposa (SNRHA), Peter McCoy (VA-CRRRC), Lyndon Benson (The Salvation Army), Bridget Claridy (HELP of S NV), Stacey Youngblood (City of Henderson), Arnold Stalk (Veterans Village), Cheryl Borgstrom (HUD), and Kevin Sharps (Nevada HAND).

- Steven Silverman opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees.
- Steve provided a recap of a recent meeting with CCSS, explaining about recently acquired state grant funds that need to be spent by 9/30/17. CCSS has acquired funder approval for the money to be used toward landlord engagement/outreach, etc., and Steve explained the proposed idea of an Affordable Housing Summit. He asked the group how they felt this could dovetail with the intent of the HWG.
- Karen then provided a recap of the funding and scope, which was provided via email to the entire HWG earlier in the day. She also shared a rough draft agenda that was developed as a conversation-starter for the group to think through what might need to be included at the summit. Kathi suggested that the group think about the benefit to landlords. Karen then brought the group's attention to the incentive line item of the funding. There was discussion about how this funding might be used, to include a landlord pool; however, Karen reminded the group that the funds have to be spent by 9/30/17. Other options the group discussed included landlord engagement materials, conference materials, swag bags for attending landlords, event advertising, etc.
- Steve suggested that we need to be able to bring property management companies and landlords to the table and ask for their input and their needs when it comes to housing clients. He also suggested that we work toward identifying a non-profit to serve as a point of contact for all landlords. Bridget responded that while the concept is strong, the reality is that one non-profit may not have suitable knowledge of all non-profits and programs.
- Kathi redirected the group to come to a consensus on the coordination of a conference and also asked if the funding could be used for securing speakers and their associated travel costs; Karen indicated yes. Arnold then suggested the money would be more effectively spent by dividing it up amongst landlords to subsidize rents, since the market is currently so strong. Karen reminded the group of the parameters of the funding source scope. The group then discussed further possible intentions of the summit, to include educating landlords on supportive services that are provided as well as the subsidized rental payments that can be offered through the housing partnerships. Ritchie brought up another idea in which we could perhaps pre-pay for multiple months and furnishing for bridge housing. Kathi redirected the group around what would be feasible in the limited time frame, which would be to plan the event. Cheryl offered that she would like to see an event in which CoC providers are available to educate landlords on wraparound services and speak about assurances provided by a partnership.
- Steve then talked about the event being broken into three concepts, to include challenges within the community, providers that are available to meet needs, and from the landlords' perspectives, how we join the first two. There was then conversation around the event location, quotes, etc., as well as asking if the

expenses could be pre-paid so the event could be held at a later date, providing more time for planning. Karen indicated she would check on this, but suspected the activities and spending would need to be completed by 9/30/17. There was also discussion about having smaller meetings, a series of meet & greets/luncheons with landlords. The group decided this would be potentially be a good future idea; however, need to stay with the event concept for this funding, per the funding scope.

- Karen recommended that HWG members choose an area in which they'd like to help with the planning. Bridget and Arvena offered to help Karen with the agenda planning. Ritchie and Stacey offered to work on the incentive items. Kimi, Peter, and Cheryl offered to work on an invitee list; Bridget offered to assemble all of their recommendations into a master invitee list.
 - Stacey suggested contacting CSH about possible materials they might have regarding landlord engagement. She also suggested asking someone from CSH or HomeBase to speak about the benefits of partnering. Kathi then asked the group to think of a theme or title; the group came up with "The Money You're Missing: An Introduction to Supportive Housing Partnerships". The event will be held on Monday, September 25th all day. Karen has been obtaining quotes from multiple venues and will submit a request to the County to secure the most cost-effective option. As soon as the venue is determined, a save-the-date, followed by a detailed invitation with agenda, will be shared with the community.
 - Steve concluded the meeting by reiterating that the overall goal will be increased and improved relationships with housing providers/landlords, and that the results from the event will help to inform the roadmap of the HWG's work ahead. He also mentioned that an update will be provided to the CoC at the October meeting; Kathi will be making a similar presentation to the City.
 - Steve then adjourned the meeting.
 - The next Housing Working Group meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 4th, 1:30-3:00pm, at the Las Vegas City Hall, 5th Floor.
- **Coordinated Intake**
 - Will be moving to stand alone working group
 - **PIT Count**
 - Information submitted to HUD and awaiting certification.
 - Subsequent Planning Working Group meetings will be used to kick off planning for the 2018 PIT.
 - **Functional Zero**
 - The Functional Zero working group has been focusing on reviewing the data in HMIS for those who are presumed chronically homeless.
 - A discussion ensued about in-migration of veterans. Anecdotes abound that vets are being sent here because of the more affordable housing market.
 - Collaborative applicant staff will work with bit focus to see if HMIS reports can be run to give us a better handle on migration patterns.

- **Southern Nevada Youth Working Group
Coordinated Entry Subcommittee Overview**
 - In early September, the YCES decided that Monday, October 2nd shall be the established launch date for the Youth Coordinated Entry System. Youth matchers were designated from each of the five Youth Access Sites, and a schedule was created for conducting future daily care coordination meetings (M-F, at 9am an email update of beds/program availability will be sent to youthmatchers@gmail.com and at 10am a conference call will follow to discuss matching the youth).
 - On September 12th, 13th, 14th Coordinated Intake Training sessions were scheduled for all future access site assessors to be trained on how to properly conduct the Next Step Tool, the Community Housing Assessment Tool (CHAT), the Family CHAT, the Short Assessment Triage Tool (SATT), and domestic violence interventions. Melissa Jacobowitz and Allison Steinzor from NPHY led the training for the Youth System on behalf of the Youth Coordinated Entry Subcommittee. On September 21st, Allison conducted this same training for members of the community's street outreach/Mobile Crisis Intervention Teams.

8. Goals not yet met/Issues:

- N/A