



Working Group Report to the Board October 2017

Working Group: Evaluation Working Group (EWG)

Champion: Mike Pawlak

Meeting date, time, and location: October 9, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. at the Clark County Social Service 3rd Floor Training Room

Working Group Members: **PRESENT** – Christy Shannon (Safe Nest), Donna Jordan (SNAMH), Ella Ramirez (NV Health Centers), Julee King (Bitfocus), Leone Lettsome (City of North Las Vegas), Michele Fuller-Hallauer (CCSS), Paul Thorton (NV 211), Stacy DiNicola (City of Henderson), Tameca Ulmer (Clark County), Tauri Royce (Bitfocus), Tracey Torrence (SNRHA). **ABSENT** – Alisha Barrett (Ryan White), André Wade (The Center), Annie Wilson (LVMPD), Bobby Gordon (CCSS), Bridget Claridy (HELP), Emily Paulsen (NV Homeless Alliance), Jocelyn Bluit-Fisher (City of Las Vegas), Mike Pawlak (CCSS), Norma Dorn (Dept. of Family Service), Peter McCoy (VA), Sarah Reber (State Division of Welfare), Steve Silverman (HELP USA), and Thomas Hart (Anthem).

Accomplishments - Action Items Completed:

1. **Community Event Updates**

- United States Interagency Council (USICH) Thought Convening on Ending Family Homelessness – August 23-24 in New Orleans, LA
 - Thirteen (13) communities shared what they could learn from federal partners and best practices
 - Program was educational
- Build for Zero Learning Session 2 – September 27-29 in Denver, CO
 - Goal is to reduce the number of chronically homeless by 50% by January 2018
 - Working with business partners to assist/push to get individuals into housing
- Discharge Planning Summit – September 19 in Las Vegas, NV
 - Discussions around discharging patients from hospitals and medical facilities who are experiencing homelessness
 - A working plan was developed for Southern Nevada that addresses improvements in collaboration and notification of available resources
 - Ariana Saunders will take the lead on the Southern Nevada work plan development
- Statewide CoC Meeting – September 20 in Las Vegas, NV
 - Discussion topics included:
 - Statewide documents that need to be finalized
 - NOFA and Consolidated Application
 - Coordinated Entry in Southern NV
 - Homeless Census Count (January 23-25)
- Supportive Housing Summit – September 25 in Las Vegas, NV
 - The goal was to get landlords to partner with homeless service providers and remove misconceptions about individuals and families experiencing homelessness
 - Twelve (12) units were committed and work is being done to keep momentum going

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2. Update on Jurisdictional ESG Funding and Projects

- Clark County received award agreements for FY17/18 and will release FY18/19 ESG application in October
 - Focus is on programs for youth, survivors of domestic violence, and families
- City of North Las Vegas received award agreements for FY17/18 and applications for FY18/19 were available September 18, 2017, due on October 27, 2017.

3. 2017 Continuum of Care NOFA

- 2017 Local Process
 - Review of dates was shared
 - Changes in esnaps regarding “Submit without changes” caused confusion for some providers as instructions were unclear
- Scoring & Ranking
 - HomeBase facilitated this process
 - CoC staff identified an issue with the consolidated application that could result in a loss of money for the community
 - Board conversation and a reconvening of the Scoring & Ranking Team allowed for a strong application
- Local Application Suggestions
 - A list of suggestions was compiled by CoC staff regarding the local application process
 - EWG will identify next steps at the November meeting

4. Coordinated Entry Roll-out Update

- CoCs are mandated to have coordinated entry for all sub-populations by January 2018
- The community goal was to have coordinated entry begin Monday, October 2, 2017
- Matchers are assigned for each subpopulation
- Working on plans to publicize this process

5. Next Steps/Action Items

- Discuss suggestions for improving local application process and take steps to implement changes

6. Upcoming Community Events

- Pop-Up Project Homeless Connect: Tuesdays at 8 am – 1 pm at the Courtyard Project in the Corridor of Hope at Las Vegas Blvd and Foremaster Lane
- Homeless Youth Summit: November 2nd at the Venetian
- Project Homeless Connect: November 14th from 8 am – 4 pm at Cashman Center