

SIOUXLAND COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS

May 22, 2019 - 1:00 p.m.

City Hall, 405 6th Street, Lower Level Conference Room, Sioux City, IA

Mission Statement: To eliminate and prevent homelessness through collaborative planning, advocacy and funding of a system of housing and supportive services.

The SCEH Board and its Member Agencies value the input of individuals, particularly those who have experienced or are experiencing homelessness, and organizations with knowledge of homelessness and an interest in preventing or ending homelessness. New members, especially current and formerly homeless individuals, are invited to join the SCEH, attend meetings, and participate in SCEH committees as we work to end homelessness in Siouxland.

Board Members:		Present / Absent	General Members:		Present/ Absent
Center For Siouxland	Susan McGuire, Chair	Present	Ameri Health Caritas	Edith Rohde	Absent
	Alison Justice	Present	City of Sioux City - Hsg Assist. Ctr	Amy Tooley	Absent
City of Sioux City/CoC Lead Agency, ex officio	Amy Keairns, Secretary	Present	City of Sioux City - Human Rights	Karen Mackey Jessica Ryan	Absent Absent
Community Action Agency of Siouxland	Alice Mollet	Absent	City of Sioux City - Neighborhood Svcs	Darlynn McMullen	Present
	Connie Noreen	Present	City of Sioux City - PD	Jeremy McClure	Absent
Crittenton Center	Monica Rosenthal	Present	City of South Sioux City	Carol Schuldt	Absent
CSADV	Terri Sturges	Absent	Crittenton Center	Marian Burnett	Absent
FAVA	Rhonda Jordal	Absent	Community Action Agency	Caroline Druilhet Jean Logan	Absent Absent
First American Bank	Wendy Jackson, Treasurer	Present	Connections/SRTS/SIMPCO TAG	Dawn Kimmel	Absent
Heartland Counseling Services	Jennifer Jackson	Present	CSADV	Erica Carter Lisa Drum	Absent Absent
Institute for Community Alliances	Allison Larson	Present	Dakota County Connections	JoAnn Gieselma	Absent
Iowa Legal Aid	Frank Tenuta, Vice Chair	Absent	Dismas Charities	Trevor Risdal Eric Smith	Absent Absent
Women Aware	Kristine Bornholtz	Present	FAVA - Someone from FAVA was present, but didn't list their name.	Amanda Eldridge Denise Holst Zack Reese	Present Present Absent
			Haven House	Debbie Goetsch Sara Arguello	Present Absent
			Heartland Counseling Services	Nicole Stack	Absent
			Home Forward Iowa	Tim Wilson	Present
			Institute for Community Alliances	Julie Eberbach Sara Deluna Stephanie Pickinpaugh	Absent Absent Present
			Iowa Legal Aid	Grant Beckwith	Absent
			Mercy Medical Ctr Mission Services		
			Nebraska DHHS	Stacy Schenk	Absent
			NE Nebraska Community Action	Jan Hawk	Absent
			Salvation Army	Jason Duncan	Absent
			SCC Street Medicine Ministry	Darin Dunn	Absent
			Shesler Hall	Kris Dam	Present
			Siouxland Community Health Center	Anais Adame Carter Smith Kristi Walz	Absent Absent Present
			Siouxland Habitat for Humanity	Katie Roberts	Present
			Siouxland Mental Health Center	Marcia Carlson Julie Schaap	Absent Absent
			Siouxland Pace	Lorelei Goodman Emily Hinnah	Absent Absent
			Siouxland Pride Alliance	Karen Mackey	Absent
			VAMC	Nicole Knowles	Absent
			Warming Shelter/Soup Kitchen	Lindsay Landrum Joe Twidwell	Present Present
			Welcare of Nebraska	Nicole Cusick	Absent
			Women Aware	Barb Wingert	Absent
			Woodbury County Veteran Affairs	Danielle Dempster	Absent
			United Healthcare	John Donovan	Absent

- 1) Attendance and Introductions. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. and introductions were made.
- 2) Approval of Agenda. **A motion was made by Allison Justice and seconded by Monica Rosenthal to approve the May 22, 2019 agenda. All members present voting aye, motion carried.**
- 3) Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings January 23, and March 27, 2019. **A motion was made by Wendy Jackson and seconded by Allison Justice to approve the January 23, 2019 minutes and March 27, 2019 minutes. All members present voting aye, motion carried.**
- 4) Treasurer's Report - Wendy Jackson
 - a. Approve Treasurer's Reports from Current and Previous Meetings: January 23, and March 27, 2019 **A motion was made by Jennifer Jackson and seconded by Connie Noreen to approve the Treasurer's Report from January 23, 2019, March 27, 2019, and May 22, 2019. All members present voting aye, motion carried.**
 - b. Approve automatic payments from SCEH checking account for all I website expenses. **A motion was made by Kristine Bornholtz and seconded by Connie Noreen to allow for automatic payments from the SCEH checking account for all future website website related expenses. All members present voting aye, motion carried.**
- 5) Committee Reports
 - a. Executive/Nominating - Susan/Amy
 - i. CoC Homeless Grantees Call - 4/3/19
 1. HUD/CoC Homeless Grantees semiannual conference call - 4/3/19
 - a. Racial Equity tool released January 2019; CoC's are encouraged to use it to determine racial disparities - this is a question on the CoC application
 - b. New Grant Contract Process - everything is to be sent to the "mailbox" now; no longer mailing things to Fort Worth
 - c. Homeless Definition - new resources/guidance on HUD's website; reminders and resources for intake workers trying to verify homelessness as well as criteria for 4 categories of the homeless definition
 - d. Environmental Reviews - all CoC projects are subject to Environmental Review; ER's typically good for 5 years; check your projects to see if you are up for renewal
 2. ICH Meeting - 4/4/19
 - a. March Meeting moved to April to coincide with Day on the Hill.
 - b. Had a couple of guest speakers - Ashley Vaala, ED of The Lotus Community Project in Ft. Dodge and IFA Director, Debi Durham
 - c. PIT Count - overall count was down - could be because count was moved to 1st week in Feb. so SSI folks may have rented a room, some volunteers weren't available for rescheduled date so some places may not have been counted;

- emergency shelter #'s about the same; TH numbers down probably due to # of TH beds being reduced/reallocated to new PH projects
- d. There are going to be several open seats on the ICH; application is available on IFA's website
 - e. Balance of State CE - regions are now pulling and reporting #'s; continuing to fine tune this reporting
 - f. 2019 Iowa-Nebraska Peer-to-Peer Homeless Symposium, June 5-6 in Lincoln
3. ICH Meeting - 5/17/19
 - a. Denise Holst talked about rapid resolution and brain injuries.
 - b. The application for ESG and SAF may change.
 - c. The coordinated region map has been updated.
 4. CoC Program Grant Start-Up Training, Thursdays April 11, 18, and 25 and May 2 from 10:00 - noon; required for all new project recipients who have been awarded a new project in the last 3 years.
 - a. Participants provided feedback that many of the presenters read the slides rather quickly instead of explaining the talking points.
 - b. Denise Holst said she had some issues with eLoccs. Monica Rosenthal will send instructions used by her staff.
- b. Project Monitoring/Development - Wendy/Amy
 - i. Project Monitoring Committee - Wendy/Amy/Kristine/Katie/Susan
 1. 2nd Quarter Reports - Committee met to review; having some issues with projects not submitting narrative responses to standards where they are below SCEH standards; still refining CE reporting - ICA in DM is working with Stephanie and Allison on a report; Allison has been working with agencies individually to correct data issues and improve accuracy of data
 2. 3rd Quarter Reports - Due July 10, 2019
 - a. Agencies were asked to abide by the due date and to make sure the responses provide an explanation of why particular benchmarks weren't met. It helps the committee to better understand challenges agencies are facing.
 - c. Data and Performance Management/Point In Time Count -Stephanie/Allison
 - i. LSA (formerly AHAR) - cleaning up errors/reporting; due in HDX???
 - ii. SPM's - Allison is working with agencies on issues; HMIS vendor is also working on correcting errors with reports; due in HDX May 31, 2019
 - iii. Stephanie advised there will be a summer Point In Time count on August 2, 2019, from 1am to 5am. Please let her know if you are able to assist.
 - d. Coordinated Entry Update - Stephanie/Allison
 - i. Approve CE Manual - **A motion was made by Wendy Jackson and seconded by Jennifer Jackson to approve the Centralized Intake Policies and procedures. All members present voting aye, except Allison Larson abstained, motion carried.**
 - ii. CE Updates

- e. Grant - Susan
 - i. FY 2018 Project Contracts
 - 1. Renewal Projects - seem to be running ahead of schedule. Bridges West has already received their Scope of Work and the funding has been spread in eLoccs ready for our June 1 start date.
 - 2. New Projects (Heartland PSH and SCEH Planning Project) Heartland Counseling has received notification from HUD regarding their new project and is working on responses. The City of Sioux City has not received anything for the SCEH Planning Project as of this date.
 - ii. FY 2019 Grant Application
 - 1. CoC Registration has been submitted; Grant Inventory Worksheet has been reviewed and approved; and CoC Registration Review has been completed
 - 2. At one time, HUD planned to open the CoC competition in early May w/ the application due in late August and awards announced in early November. Haven't seen anything yet but should be soon.

- f. EFSP Ad Hoc Committee - Susan
 - i. Phase 35 - Still waiting for the final reports to be available; in the process of reviewing the documentation to be submitted to the National Board
 - ii. Phase 36 Funding Update - nothing new to report

- g. Public Awareness and Advocacy - Stephanie Pickinpaugh
 - i. Stephanie Pickinpaugh said she would like to work on something for Hunger and Homelessness Week which will be November 16-24, 2019.

- 6) Old Business
 - a. SCEH Donation Policy
 - i. Carried over from January and March due to no quorum. **A motion was made by Wendy Jackson and Allison Justice to approve the SCEH Donation Policy. All members present voting aye, motion carried.**
 - b. Plans for 2019 - some need to be completed some items before the 2020-2021 CoC Program Grant Application
 - i. PHA Homeless Preferences/Moving On Strategy w/ SSC Housing Authority, Siouxland Regional Housing Authority, Emerson Housing Authority, NE Nebraska Joint Housing Agency
 - ii. Written Standards for PSH and RRH programs
 - iii. Adopt the Orders of Priority for Prioritizing Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness and Other Vulnerable Homeless Persons - within Written Standards for PSH programs
 - iv. Written policy for VAWA Implementation
 - v. Formal Agreements/MOU's with School Districts (Education Equity) and Education Services for ages 0-5

- vi. Review SCEH By-Laws/Governance Charter; look at merging into 1 document
- c. SCEH Board of Director Elections -
 - i. Current/Continuing Board Members include: Wendy Jackson, First American Bank; Alison Justice, Center For Siouxland, Bridges West
 - ii. We have openings for 13 Board Members
The following have indicated a willingness to serve/continue to serve - Kristine Bornholtz, Women Aware; Debbie Goettsch, Haven House; Denise Holst, FAVA; Amy Keairns, City of Sioux City/CoC Lead Agency; Allison Larson, ICA; Susan McGuire, Center For Siouxland; Connie Noreen, Community Action Agency of Siouxland; Frank Tenuta, Iowa Legal Aid; Katie Roberts, Women Aware; Jennifer Jackson, Heartland Counseling; Monica Rosenthal, Crittenton Center; Cate Combs, Sioux City Community School District; Lindsay Landrum, Warming Shelter. **A motion was made by Wendy Jackson and seconded by Allison Justice to approve the aforementioned individuals as Board members. All members present voting aye, motion carried.**
- d. SCEH Officer Elections - to be held at July 24, 2019 meeting
 - i. Current/Continuing Officers - Vice Chair - Frank Tenuta; Treasurer - Wendy Jackson
 - ii. Open Officer Positions - Chair and Secretary. Currently held by Susan McGuire and Amy Keairns. If interested in continuing in this capacity, or if other board members are interested in holding an Officer position, let Susan know.
- e. SCEH Committees 2019
 - i. All SCEH members are encouraged to sign up for a committee or two, especially the Project Monitoring/Development and AD-Hoc EFSP Committees. All funded agencies are **REQUIRED** to serve on various committees. Make sure your agency has representation as required.
- f. 2019 Agency/Community Resource Spotlight
 - i. Just a 5-10 minute overview of the programs/services your agency provides
 - ii. Adding Community/Mainstream Resources - overview of benefits available, eligibility requirements, application/access information

7) New Business. None.

8) Agency Spotlight/Reports/Activities/Updates/Discussion

- a. Agency/Resource Spotlight
 - i. Salvation Army of Siouxland. A representative from the Salvation Army was not available to attend the meeting. If anyone is interested in presenting information regarding their agency at a future meeting, please let Susan McGuire know.
- b. Sioux City Street Project/Committee Updates
 - i. - Detox - No update.
 - ii. Super Shelter/Housing - No update.
- c. Other Agency Reports/Activities/Updates/Discussion
 - i. Heartland Baptist Church. There has been talk of Heartland Baptist Church creating transitional housing units. Jennifer Jackson will see if she can find out more and invite representatives to a future meeting.

- ii. Hope Street. Hope Street, a detoxification center, intends to be open this summer.
- iii. Heartland Counseling. Jennifer Jackson said they received a \$20,000 grant from Tyson that will be used to pay for children's therapy in rural Nebraska schools.
- iv. Summer Gathering. A summer gathering will be held at the Native Center on Geneva Street.
- v. FAVA. Amanda Elridge said if you know literally homeless veterans in need of assistance, please refer them to FAVA.
- vi. Empower Rural Iowa Initiative. Tim Wilson said the purpose is to create workforce housing (new housing) in rural Iowa towns.
- vii. Day Shelter. The Day shelter intends to move their operations from St. Boniface Church to the area of the Warming Shelter. There has been consideration to the Soup Kitching moving to that location as well.
- viii. Portable Showers. The Siouxland Community Health Center provides portable showers in the parking lot of the old Great Southern Bank location.
- ix. Woodbury County Jail. Joe Twidwell said the jail is running over capacity and approximately 20 inmates are released each day to make room for more serious offenders. He said the jail is designed to hold 90 inmates and there are over 200 inmates on a regular basis.
- x. Boost. This program is for people age 18-24 that have been charged or convicted. It allows them to go through training, school, etc. Contact Rita DeJong through SHIP.

9) Approve date, time and location for next meeting - Wednesday, July 24, 2019 @ 1:00 @ City Hall Lower Level Conference Room

10) Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 1:59 p.m.