

Balance of State Continuum of Care Membership Workgroup

Minutes: Conference Call, 12/11/14

Attendance

Dave Wolf, Mohave County
Jennifer Burch, Mohave County
Tad Zavodsky, City of Yuma
Kelly Tanner, Arizona Youth Partnership
Joy Johnson, ADOH

- Roll was called
- Dave Wolf made a motion to approve the minutes; Joy Johnson seconded the motion.
- The minutes have been posted to ADOH's website

Discussion

- Results of outreach to Graham, Greenlee, Santa Cruz, La Paz, Navajo, and Apache Counties
 - Joy Johnson has been in contact with Librado Ramirez (JR) who is the Executive Director of SEACAP and he has agreed to have Joy put on the agenda for the next Graham County meeting so she can present on the Continuum and the MOU for signature
 - Dave Wolf has been in contact with Nora Yackley the Community Development Director with La Paz County who has agreed to attend the regional BOSCO meetings and to participate in the Membership Committee teleconference calls. She and the Public Fiduciary are interested in homeless issues and housing such as HOPWA
 - Dave will also inquire if Nora would be willing to participate in the PIT
 - Joy Johnson has been in contact with Cindy Furrh, the Executive Director with Old Concho who attends local COC meetings in Navajo and Apache Counties. Cindy has agreed to explain the purpose of the MOU in hopes of getting it signed
 - Dave will contact Anita Baca to inquire about her efforts in contacting someone from Santa Cruz County to possibly start a local COC meeting and agree to sign the MOU
- Open Discussion: we need to develop strategies that will assist local COC groups with engaging persons from the list of entities HUD wants involved in the COC
 - Tad was unaware that the local police department was to be a part of the meetings. He also stated that someone is being hired that will cover the COC and Fair Housing. He has an email list that contains hundreds of contacts that he will look over
 - Dave stated that there is a list in the HEARTH Act that states who should be attending the COC meetings
 - Joy will send this list to the group
 - Dave tried to get the Mohave County Sheriff's Dept. to attend the local COC meetings. They attended once but were in and out of the meeting with calls and didn't really participate

- Jennifer Burch stated that Probation attends the local Mohave County COC meetings
- The discussion regarding invitations and best practices will be tabled for our next meeting – Camie
- Dave stated that a person currently experiencing homelessness or a formerly homeless person should be a part of the local COC meetings. Tad stated that he has experienced homelessness and accessed services from Crossroads Mission formerly known as Lower Lights Mission in Yuma

Announcements

- This quarter there will only be three regional COC meetings; one in Parker, Cottonwood, and Benson. These meetings will also be attended by representatives from SWFHC and ADOH to present the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) and the Consolidated Plan for the state.
- Karia will be sending out her announcement and agenda for these meetings
- Dave will then send out the announcement and agenda to the local COC members
- The point-in-time (PIT) count is coming up in January

New Business

- None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 am.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 12, 2015 @9:00am.