

REORGANIZATION CONTINUES

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Overview

- ▶ AZ BOSCOG is shifting away from quarterly regional meetings
- ▶ Focus will be at the local level with existing or new community groups
- ▶ Local community/coalitions will be responsible for planning and implementing strategies to end homelessness in alignment with HUD COG guidance and requirements.
- ▶ ADOH will execute contracts with one organization from each local community coalition to fund travel to quarterly AZ BOSCOG meetings and support activities of the local group in alignment with 24 CFR 578.7.
- ▶ Each local community coalition is expected to select at least one representative to attend quarterly AZ BOSCOG meetings which be held in Phoenix. Local groups may select a team to attend, but travel reimbursement will only be available for one person. (Carpooling and other strategies can be used to maximize utilization of funds.
- ▶ Each local community group will have one vote at the quarterly meeting regardless of the number of persons who attend.

Responsibilities Local Community Groups

- ▶ Select a single agency as convener/facilitator for initial meetings.
- ▶ Meet quarterly at a minimum, monthly is preferable.
- ▶ Recruit and engage a broad representation of organizations and individuals involved in contributing resources to end homelessness. The local group must include representatives from sectors in addition to COC sub recipients.
- ▶ Review local performance measures at each meeting to use as a guidance for improving strategies to end homelessness.
- ▶ Review homelessness data for local community especially as it relates to priority populations including households that have been chronically homeless, Veterans, families, and youth on their own (under 18 and 18-24).

Local Community Group Sector Representation

Understanding that each community is unique, recruitment of membership for the local community group (as feasible) should include the following sectors:

- ▶ Community members who have lived experience.
- ▶ ESG providers and other emergency shelters.
- ▶ School districts and/or local schools.
- ▶ Faith based organizations.
- ▶ Employment organizations.

Sector Representation continued

- ▶ Youth, Veteran, Family serving organizations.
- ▶ AZ Department of Economic Security.
- ▶ Individual(s) trained in SOAR.
- ▶ Behavioral health organizations
- ▶ Health care organizations
- ▶ Other organizations that provide support such as life skills, food pantry, household goods, transportation
- ▶ Justice and Law Enforcement (i.e. Police, Sheriff, County/City Attorney, Public Defender, Jails, Adult/Juvenile Probation
- ▶ Department of Child Safety

Deliverables

- ▶ Identified local representative will attend four quarterly statewide meetings in Phoenix.
- ▶ Develop a community level strategic plan within six months of the local group convening that addresses how ending homelessness in the community will be addressed.
- ▶ Maintain a roster of attendance and submit sign in sheets for each meeting to ADOH.
- ▶ Establish local planning group to conduct the Point in Time Unsheltered Count which will take place in January 2017.
- ▶ Come to quarterly statewide meetings prepared to discuss and share ideas with regard to local efforts to meet objectives in strategic plan and end homelessness in the community.
- ▶ Establish formal written protocol for how Coordinated Entry is being implemented in the local community. Submit to ADOH by 3/31/16.
- ▶ Establish formal written protocol for how case conferencing is implemented in the local community. Submit to ADOH by 3/31/16.

Deliverables Continued

- ▶ Formal agreements with service partners that demonstrate coordination and collaboration within the local group.
- ▶ Formal commitment and documented strategies about how Housing First is implemented in the local community to end homelessness.
- ▶ Local representatives to the statewide quarterly meeting will brief local community group about information concerning the AZ BOSCOC that is shared at the meeting.

Tools and Templates

- ▶ ADOH will provide resources for the local community groups to carry out its responsibilities including posting resource material on the ADOH website, distributing templates for strategic plan and formalized protocols for Coordinated Entry and Case Conferencing.
- ▶ On site technical assistance is available thru written request outlining specific needs
- ▶ These will be available by 11/30/16

Questions and Comments

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- ▶ Next Steps