

Balance of State Continuum of Care Membership Workgroup

Minutes: Conference Call
6/10/2015

Attendance

Dave Wolf, Mohave County

Jennifer Burch, Mohave County

Tad Zavodsky, City of Yuma

Anita Baca, Cochise County Housing Authority

Justin Chavez, Veteran's Resource Center, Bullhead City

Joy Johnson, ADOH

Camie Rasband, Coconino County

- Roll was called
- The minutes were approved

Discussion

- Policy for Inviting Members to BOS
 - Add entities to be invited, Joy will add those
 - Each local COC will modify their own invite
 - Email lists will need to be updated to keep the invite list current and accurate.
 - Karia will send invitation out to each COC to approve.
 - Policy for Invitation to COC was voted on and approved.
- Results of outreach to SEACAP and Santa Cruz County
 - This was tabled until the next meeting.
- Results of outreach to La Paz County
 - Dave has been in contact with Alex Taft of La Paz County who attended this meeting; welcome Alex. She is the grants administrator for the county and is working with a planning grant to eliminate homelessness; pointing out the need for a shelter.
- Results of outreach to Navajo and Apache Counties
 - Joy has been in touch with Cindy Furrh with Old Concho regarding the MOU, but had not heard back yet.
 - Charlene Flahety (apologies if that is spelled incorrectly) will contract with ADOH to set up COC in La Paz and Santa Cruz.
- Planning marketing locally
 - It has been difficult getting law enforcement and businesses to attend local COC meetings. Camie will contact the police representative that attends Coconino COC and ask who is appropriate to attend those meetings in other areas as well, possibly a specific job title.
 - Val worked the Sympatico quarterly meetings with the COC meetings and increased attendance.
 - Some are meeting at behavioral health meetings as well.
- The PIT survey was discussed
 - Tad stated that Mike Simpson had been in charge in Yuma; however a new person from Crossroads Mission was taking over.

- Camie stated in Coconino they gave our Better Bucks when people completed the survey.
- Best Practices-there was not any updates at this time.
- New suggestions for future Agenda
 - Do COC's have local membership committees?
- Announcements
 - Mohave County applied for an additional 28 VASH vouchers
 - Case Management Training with Ian DeJong at separate locations across the state. There are still scholarships available to this, there was some miscommunication about the correct codes to use but that has been sorted out.
 - Current staff at the VA clinic in Yuma is leaving and they are hiring new staff.
 - Coconino county is planning the Project Connect on 10/10/15
 - Housing Forum August 27th and 28th, several members attending.

- Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 8, 2015 at 9:00 AM

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: Wednesday, September 8, 2015 @9:00 AM