



Monmouth County Homeless System Collaborative

Executive Committee

May 3rd, 2022

Agenda

- I. Introduction
- II. Approval of March meeting minutes- Kim made a motion, Mark made a second; all in favor
- III. New Business/Discussion
 - a. HMFA
 - i. Data Quality- LSA- Candy indicated that the LSA was submitted to HUD and pulls directly from a number of data points in the HMIS system. There were data quality issues with bed inventories and RRH move in dates that effected the LSA error report and continue to effect the system. HMFA and Monarch are working together to identify the issues and working with agencies to correct the problems.
 - b. CARES Act Funding
 - i. ESG & ESG-CV- waiting on grant amounts for 2022 but should hear from them by mid May. ESG-CV has had an extension for a year to draw down funds now until Sept 2023.
 - ii. CDBG-CV- still funding non-profits and more small businesses
 - iii. HOME- HOME ARP funding has been awarded to 9 permanent housing projects around 36 additional units to the system. The agencies have 8 years to spend the money, but the plans seem to be further along; Laura's estimate is 20 units in about 2 years.
 - iv. Dept of Treasury/ERAP- Kathy and Nicole reported \$200,000 was allocated to CARC to start a Diversion program. Nicole reported all ERAP funds are fully obligated as of April 30th, the county requested additional funds from the federal government and will review existing applications and reopen the portal if that comes through.
 - v. DCA- EHV- submitted 243 applications; 146 accepted; 36 denied; 16 wait listed; 12 in second review; 11 pending documentation; 25 unknown status; 28 have moved into housing; in need of one bedroom units
 1. Advocacy Efforts- Kasey reported that DCA responded to the letter and has offered housing search extensions, FMR up 120% and landlord incentives for the EHV program recipients.
 - c. Landlord/Tenant Updates- Alicia reports the judges have been offering 2 week extensions for those with pending applications with ERAP or another program to prevent eviction. ERAP portal closing will likely effect the eviction numbers but that has yet to be seen.

- d. Shelter Updates- Peter reported operating at around 11/16 beds occupied. Seeing a dramatic increase in persons with cars and jobs that are coming to the shelter. Peter reported they even had to put people on waiting lists for a time while they were fully occupied. They have had some success in moving people on to affordable units out of county. Melissa reported Linkages is full right now and took in an additional 20 persons last week. Right now they have 204 placements through EA and they had to put people on a waitlist as they had all motels and rooming houses were full. They are working on engaging with more motels to increase beds.
- e. Code Blue Updates- 7 Code Blue full occurrences (blocks of days) in the last 80 days, serving 48 persons on the highest acuity date. Code Blue billing has been taking up the majority of time for coordination so working on making the billing process more efficient.

IV. Reports

- a. PIT preliminary data- Kasey presented the data which reflected an increase in the sheltered homeless numbers.
- b. HIC breakdowns
- c. HUD NOFO
 - i. 2021 Awards
 - ii. 2022 local selection process- Kasey reported the local selection materials are in development and will be presented for review and adoption to the review committee within the next two weeks.
- d. Centralized Intake- Melissa reports DFD has put EA terminations on hold again for several months.
- e. Housing Navigator Agency
 - i. 2021 Outcomes
- f. Sub-committees
 - i. Permanent Housing- working to reengage the PHAs
 - ii. PIT/PHC
 - iii. Case Management
 - iv. Veteran's – identified two new Veteran's last month and housed one; next meeting is May 16th

V. Agency Updates

- a. SVDP reports they recently collaborated on a client who was a young father living in a rooming house and was pending eviction and had partial custody of young son. SVDP was able to get the funding to prevention and assistance from SJLS they were able to stabilize his housing and he was able to get a job the following week.
- b. NJHMFA still have have mortgage assistance funds for residents facing foreclosure due to COVID. <https://nj.gov/dca/hmfa/erma/hub/index.shtml>
- c. Alan Ferraro reported that he is working on funding through DOE to collaborate with the schools and homeless service systems

VI. Public Participation

VII. Adjournment

Next Meeting – July 12th, 9am-11am

CEAS/General Membership Meeting – **October 4th, 10am - 12pm**

GotoWebinar link will be provided prior to the meeting