

Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County

May 22nd, 2009

10am to 12pm

I. Welcome:

Call to order @ 10:07 am by Sue

II. Approval of last month's Board meeting minutes: unable to review

III. Financial Update – Tom Galassini

A. April 30th Financials

- Reviewed current financial position, receivables are awaiting funds from Cook County but have been vouchered
- Profit and loss statement reflects the pass through of the Community Trust funds
- Significant impact on budget is that Cook County is only recommending \$40,000 instead of the expected amount of \$147,000 that the budget was based upon
- Options for generating the loss in revenue to be explored by the finance committee as noted in the letter to the Board by Jennifer
- Finance committee recommend that audit be accepted; motioned by Patrick and Dennis seconded, all voted in favor of acceptance

IV. Director's Report – Jennifer Hill

A. Cook County CDBG funding projections

- As noted above, Cook County approved only \$40,000 in CDBG funds. Discussion re: ramifications on Alliance budget due to reduction in CDBG funds (provides match for HMIS and majority of operating expenses for Alliance), and possible options to employ to appeal the decision were previously discussed. Jennifer and Sue are having lunch with the Cook County planning staff next week to address concerns
- Reviewed letter to William Moore at Cook County re: concerns about HMIS and contracts with other entities i.e. current contract with DuPage county and proposed new contract with Evanston as Cook County is requesting that the Alliance be on the contract; and also Cook County's concerns re: the CAPER report

B. HPRP

- Reviewed letter to Cook County (Gloria Mullins)

- Alliance submitted comments to Cicero and Berwyn con plans as both communities did utilize the recommendations from the Alliance
- Prevention committee met on the 20th to discuss how to reply to a RFP which included the portals, bankers and call center(s); motioned made by committee (Dennis presented) that the Alliance prepare a coordinated application to submit to Cook County for HPRP funds on behalf of the Continuum and that individual Alliance members refrain from submitting separate applications. Much discussion occurred on this motion, Paul then made an amendment to the motion to include the wording “in response to a RFP from Cook County” to the original motion. Seconded by Patrick and all members voted in favor to include amendment changes to original motion. Further discussion occurred re: amended motion. Motion to table by Marvin, seconded by Mark. Discussion on tabling motion occurred. Marvin redrew motion, voice vote on motion and it did not pass (members voting no: Hugh, Dennis, Teri, Tom, Millicent, Debra, Brian, Cynthia, Lynda, Paul, Courtney and Mike. Members deferring: Eileen to Millicent. Members voting yes on motion: Marvin and Mark). Vote on original motion with amendment was called by Mike, two voting members present abstained (Mark and Marvin)

V. Committee Reports:

A. Executive Committee-Sue

- Content from minutes to be further discussed in committee reports

B. HMIS – Peggy

- Signed termination agreement with DuPage county
- Signed agreement with Evanston
- APR workshop on June 3rd

C. Continuum of Care Development – Sue

- Discussed debriefing seminar on Exhibit I from HUD
- Discussed point in time report from Jessica

D. Project Review

- No report as decision re: form deferred to housing goals workgroup

E. Housing Goals Workgroup – Mike

- Recommendation is that renewals all to be allowed; approximately \$25,000 for a new PSH project and then also hopefully, the bonus project for a chronic PSH project to be taken to the Board for approval which will enable the Alliance to meet the goals. Motion then that Bonus projects be ranked #1, HMIS ranked #2, all renewals next in order determined by ranking from, new project ranked at bottom (if there were

reallocated funds), and that the ranking forms from the project review committee be accepted with the change to 3 points from 2 points for projects that have a 20 year commitment. Patrick seconded the motion, all in favor

F. Chronic Homelessness – Lynda

- Met this morning; tentatively scheduled a date for a unsheltered count this summer
- Discussed need to have involvement from the Police, and also support from the Forest Preserves when doing the count

G. Homeless Prevention – Dennis

- Discussed during director's report and motion made re: Cook County and a RFP as noted above
- compiled data from surveys for call center
- Still have substantial amount of TANF funds available in Evanston

H. Governance – Mark

- Collecting organizational assessment information
- Retreat on May 29th; location at West Suburban PADS
- Sue recommended formal review of By-Laws of Alliance

I. Outcome Evaluation – Courtney

- Continuing to work on tabling results of Outcome tool submitted along with letter of intent

J. Fundraising – Paul

- Need a serious effort to obtain funds to support the work of the Alliance
- Committee members to now include Jennifer, Paul, Brian, Tom, Teri, Eileen, Ken K., Marvin, Mike W., Dennis and Sue

VI. Other Reports

- A. Jennifer discussed that homeless counts were reviewed along with project reviews/ranking at Regional Roundtable
- B. No report from discharge planning

VII. Local Council Reports

A. South – Mike

- Did a public forum release on a report on looking at the South region though the issue of homelessness; will be formally released in the fall

B. West – Lynda

- Presentation from the census bureau
- Discussed our By-laws and determination of dues
- Nominations to Board discussed

C. North- Millicent

- Nominations to Board
- Presentation to be opened up to Alliance members
- Requested that available prevention and TANF funds be opened up to other areas by end of month

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

A. CEDA rental support update

- Presentation by Barbara on report of breakdown of clients currently being served/housed and how many units; and breakdown of clients on Wait List
- Ilhousingsearch.org to assist in finding units
- Request made to find out how many were classified as Homeless that are currently housed

B. State Budget

- Paul reported that from a meeting he was at in Springfield, he predicts that there will be significant cuts

X. Adjournment @ 12:18pm; motion to adjourn made by Mike W., seconded by Patrick

Next Meeting – Friday, June 26th, 2009 from 10am to 12pm at the United Way Metro, 560 W. Lake Street, Chicago

May 22, 2009 Board Meeting Attendance
 Voting Members Present:

Hugh	Brady	NAMI Barrington Area
Dennis	Condon VICE CHAIR	Community Representative
Theresa	Curran SECRETARY	Pillars
Mark	Enenbach PAST CHAIR	CEDA Central
Tom	Galassini TREASURER	United Way of Metro Chicago
Marvin	Gorss	West Suburban Landlords Assoc.
Eileen	Higgins	Catholic Charities
Debra	Howard-Frye	Thresholds
Brian	McManaman	Emergency Fund
Khen	Nickele	IDHS-DMH
Millicent	Ntiamoah CBSA Co-Chair	Catholic Charities
Patrick	Rodgers	Social Security Administration
Cynthia	Schilsky	Community Representative
Lynda	Schueler CBSA Co-Chair	West Suburban PADS
Paul	Selden	Connections for the Homeless
Susan	Shimon CHAIR	WilPower, Inc.
Courtney	Suchor	Sanctuary/SS Family Shelter
Mike	Wasserberg CBSA Co-Chair	South Suburban PADS

Voting Members Absent:

Jose	Alvarez	Town of Cicero
William	Baxter	Hines V A Hospital
Beverly	Christmon	Community Representative
Arie	Davis	IL Department of Corrections
Gerry	DuPaty	Housing Authority of Cook County
John	Fallon	Corp Supp Housing
Randi	Gurian	Harbour, The
Scott	Jensen	Community Representative
Chris	Klepper	HCP
Rick	Nichols	Community Representative
Rev. John	Rice	Bethel Community Facility
Heidi	Russell-Green	Safer Foundation
Mary	Schurder	Center of Concern, The

Other Members Present:

Kamar	Beaco	CEDA Bloom-Rich
Derek	Carter	Lyons House
Barbara	Hyshaw	CEDA
Ken	Keibler	Catholic Charities
Kim	Lutz	WINGS
Larry	McClellan	SSCH
Kim	Millender	CEDA
Sheri	Pantell	CEDA Northwest
Valencia	Whitely	Independent Living Solutions
Carl	Wolf	Respond Now
Jennifer	Wood	YMCA Network
Jessica	Aleksy	Alliance
Jennifer	Hill	Alliance
Sharon	King	Alliance to End Homelessness
Peggy	Troyer	Alliance