NASHVILLE-DAVIDSON COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE

HOMELESSNESS PLANNING COUNCIL (HPC)-MEETING MINUTUES

| Council Members Present: Traci Pekovitch, Sheila Decker, Ryan Lampa, Jaha Martin, Laura Ferguson Mims, Vicky | Date: August 10 th 2022 | |
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| Batcher, Treva Gilligan, Waddell Wright, Suzie Tolmie, Beth Shinn, Catherine Knowles, D'Yuanna Allen Rob, Amber | Time: 8:00 a.m. | |
| Ellis, Wendell Seagroves, Kennetha Patterson, Jeff Gibson, Kyonzte Tombs, Deirdre Childress, | Place: Metro Historic | |
| | Courthouse | |
| Staff: April Calvin (MHID), Derrick Smith (Metro Legal), Jay Servais (MHID), Angela Hubbard (Office of Planning), | | |
| Megan Vickers (MHID) | Recorded by: Megan Vickers | |
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| AGENDA ITEM | DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION | RECCOMENDATION/ACTION |
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| I. WELCOME, CONFLICTS OF | Jaha Martin welcomed everyone and noted search for an appropriate location | |
| INTEREST, AND ANTI-RACISM | for this meeting to be held. | |
| PLEDGE*, AND CHAIRPERSON'S | | |
| Report | The anti-racism pledge was read. | |
| | The names of people experiencing homelessness who have passed away during the past month were read, followed by a moment of silence. | |
| | July 2022 minutes were reviewed. No corrections noted at this time. | |
| II. REPORT FROM MHID INTERIM DIRECTOR | Jay Servais provided the story of progress which highlighted all of the good work that has been accomplished in the last 6 months. | |
| III. REPORT FROM MDHA | Suzie Tolmie informed the announcement of the Unsheltered NOFO and regular | |
| COLLABORATIVE APPLICANT | NOFO and noted the shortened time frame of 60 days. Suzie requested to move the | |
| | October HPC meeting up one week to meet before this deadline. Suzie noted some | |
| | changes with the System Performance being looked at and there will be an | |
| | increased focus on racial disparities and LGBTQ+ programs. | |

| | Cathy Jennings spoke about the Shelter Committee assisting with the Unsheltered NOFO. | |
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| IV. UPDATES | ► Hannah reviewed the HMIS Monthly Data. It was highlighted that 61 people exited RRH into permanent housing. It was also noted there is a new Homelessness Prevention program has entered HMIS and has served 200 people. A request was made to include the data from the Metro Action Hope program that prevents family homelessness. | |
| | -April Calvin reported on the search for the permanent director for MHID. The applicant is currently here in town for a two-day tour. | |
| V. BOARD MATTERS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES | ► Cathy Jennings provided an update on the Shelter Committee work with encampment prioritization. Shelter committee has come up with their final recommendations for MHID and provided a handout with the details. Cathy noted that a team of community members will accompany MHID staff to these encampments for these visits. Cathy also provided an update for the family shelter crisis and noted that Safe Haven is operating as the lead on this. Cathy reported on the RFP for the Cold Weather Shelter, but noted that it may not be wrapped up by November of this year. | |
| | Strategic Plan Refresh - Jeff Gibson provided an update on the Strategic Plan Refresh. Jeff solicited feedback from members of the council and asked to submit via email. They will vote to adopt the Strategic Plan at the September HPC meeting. Mayor's Office ReportGinger reported out on the Mayor's Office Report. | |
| | Ginger reported that on August 16 th 4 pieces of legislation will be going to council that will decide how the 50 million will be spent. Ginger provided details on the breakdown of funding. | |
| | ▶ Office of Planning - Angie Hubbard provided updated from the Office of Planning. Angie encouraged providers to get registered to take part of the RFP if desired. Angie noted efforts taking place in the Office of Planning to free up housing for our population. It was also noted that the staff at the Office of Planning will be | |

| | doubling. Angie provided an update on the Metro properties assessment and provided a handout with more details. | |
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| | ► Shelter Committee Update - Cathy Jennings reported on the shelter committee and provided more information on the NOFO application. The CoC Shelter Committee has agreed to become the primary committee to participate in this grant. They are meeting weekly on Tuesdays to complete the grant application. Cathy noted that a survey had gone out to solicit feedback on what needs to be prioritized with this funding. | |
| | ► Consumer Advisory Board Public Comment- Sheila noted that it was a short report this month. Shelia noted that some were passed along to April at MHID to follow up. Shelia did note that the comment box at the library will be replaced with a placard explaining how to submit a comment. | |
| VI. Other Business | Proposal from Suzie to move the October HPC meeting to October 5th from 8- 10am. Motion Approved. | Motion Approved |
| | -Jaha reminded body of the Board Orientation occurring on 8/19 at the Downtown Library and encouraged body to attend | |
| XII. ADJOURNMENT | Adjourned at 9:39am | NEXT MEETING: 9/14/22 (2 nd Wed. of the Month) |

*We define racism as racial prejudice plus the misuse of power by systems and institutions (misuse can be intentional or unintentional). We are mindful of the racial inequities across housing, economic mobility, health care, criminal justice, and other systems. These all contribute to racial inequities in homelessness. I pledge to stay mindful of the power and privilege that I bring into every space that I enter and conversation that I have. I pledge to actively and intentionally practice antiracism when participating in the Homelessness Planning Council and all Committees in the CoC, representing this committee and the CoC in the community, and in talking about homelessness and housing issues in Nashville.

******There are three channels available for submitting comments to the HPC:

- Email address NashvilleHomelessCouncil@gmail.com

- **Hub.nashville.gov** website (<u>https://hub.nashville.gov/s/?language=en_US</u>), there is a choice under Social Services & Housing called "Public Comment for the CoC Homelessness Planning Council."
- **Suggestion box** located at the downtown branch of the Nashville Public Library, on the third floor in the Reference Library section.