CAP CoC-Emergency Partners Meeting

August 15, 2017

Library on Main Street

Present: Bob Quam (Salvation Army), Melissa Randall (CAP Services) Kristie Sentkowski (Emergency Services), Tiffani Krueger (ECI), Volunteer ECI, Lori Napstad (Energy Services), Mae Nachman (United Way), Dotty Bauer (CAP Services TH), William Kerker (CVI), Wendy Savage (Red Cross), St. Vincent De Paul, Whitney (Supervisor for FS/BC) PCHHS, Catholic Charities

The meeting started with discussions about the July PIT count. 19 people were found unsheltered in our CoC- 5 in Waupaca County and 14 in Portage County – Total of 126 homeless in our CoC.

Discussed requirements for coordinated entry updates/changes- Reminder of the need for an "After hours plan" Group discussed a draft plan. Melissa will write up and send out for review and vote to all local coc partners.

CoC funding- updates given about ranking and CoC competition- CAP DV TH was initially denied and thankfully a reconsideration request was granted. Group discussed RRH in the CoC- Main concern is the ability to pay for case management- Salvation Army is interested in learning more about it

Discussed CoC performance goals-Our CoC falls short of HUD goals-

CAP CoC:

avg length of homelessness = 58 days

85% of client form 10/1/15-9/30/16 were newly homeless

38.5% return to homelessness within 2 years

Provided the BOS website to see any goals and how CAP compares to other CoC's

Discussed BOD seats opening and CoC application assistance from other partners who work with homelessness

21 unaccompanied youth were sheltered this year at FCC

Emergency Services reports rent assistance was put on hold by Operation Bootstrap however they are assisting with sec.dep – They are starting to get many requests for utility assistance- out of funds at this time

CVI-Heat for heroes assistance for veterans and also has rent asst in the form of RRH/out of PV

PCHHS- reported new lobby hours that match the phone hours –changes for badgercare that may make it easier for seasonal workers to obtain badgercare

Project fresh start supplied over 1000 kids with school supplies; the remaining supplies went to school social workers

Project Fresh Clothes/Dressed to work still assisting with clothes- Kids Closet is in need of clothes as they are really being emptied

Bradley at St. Vinnies pantry stated they are having to purchase meat and bread and it's becoming costly- lost bread supply when bakery closed down- group discussed other options

Catholic charities provides some rent assistance but people need to apply online; they no longer have a location in our CoC region and the closest location is Wausau – this is not for immediate assistance

Red Cross provides housing assistance when a fire or other natural disaster happens; also food and referrals

Salvation Army- has been running at capacity- serve between 25,000-26,000 meals a year; seen an increase in people in the community attending not just those staying at the Hope Center- food baskets doubled- biggest issue is mental health- seeing the mental health issues not being helped with when they enter a legal system

CIT training is the 19th and 20th of Sept. Intervention training for mental health and AODA- email will be sent

ECI- seeing the same people who come in and out of homelessness with barriers such as AODA and mental health- Kids closet is seeing at least 200 kids a month and they are only open 12 hours a month

CVI- seeing an increase in families rather than singles who need assistance for RRH- rant out of prevention three months ago- this will be replenished 10/1