

Coulee Collaborative to End Homelessness

Collaborative, diverse, and compassionate individuals working to eliminate homelessness in La Crosse, Vernon, Monroe, and Crawford Counties.

Meeting Agenda

August 20th, 2019

Present: Tristine Bauman, Kim Cable, Julie McDermid, Meredith McCoy, Mark Schimpf, Becky Koske, Leanne Martinez, Joel Miller Molly Betts, Teresa Byland, Chandler Miller, Anthony Larson, Leticia Silva, Randall Brown, LaKisha Hudson, Fue Yang, Sara Ecklund, Kristi Bechtel, Kael Clemmerson, Marcellese Powell, Andrew Rasmussen, Abbi Jeffers, Ebony Hyter, Kaitlyn Hamann, Sarah Bowman, Sarah Jackson, Naomi Stringer

1. Introductions
2. June Meeting Minutes
 - Approved by voice vote without comment
3. Agency Presentation – SSVF/VORP (Anthony Larson and Chandler Miller)
4. Wisconsin Balance of State Updates
 - a. SSO CE Grant
 - b. Quarterly meeting recap
 - Meeting was August 8-9
 - First day of meeting was a performance review for each CoC, which is very important given that performance determines how programs are ranked and which ones ultimately receive funding
 - Presentation on racial disparities in housing programs, communities will need to develop a plan to decrease disparities
 - Couleecap wrote for a 20-bed permanent supportive housing program that would mostly consist of singles, will be in tier two by default as a new program
 - c. Balance of State committees
 - No updates
 - d. Governance documents work group
 - Governance documents were approved, but they need to be fleshed out considerably, revisions and updates are needed
 - Kael, Mark, and Kim said that they could be part of a group to work on them
5. Vote on a Non-WISP CE List Holder
 - Non-WISP CE contains no identifiable information, and is an option for all CE participants, but it is especially important for clients in DV or related situations who require a higher degree of confidentiality
 - It is most convenient in terms of placement for openings for the list to be held

by the primary list holder

-Julie M. recommends that it the list is held by the primary list holder, Couleecap, Inc.

-A motion is asked for, Joel Miller brings a motion and Molly Betts seconds

-The motion to elect Couleecap, Inc. as the non-WISP list holder passes by unanimous voice vote

6. CCEH updates

-Five innovation teams are up and running

-Quarterly system performance review will be in October as part of CCEH meeting

-Homeless Outreach Referral process is being finalized

-Referral can come through either the ILR website or through calling ILR

-There will be no in-person referrals to Kish and Fou, it will all come through Information and Referral at ILR

-Distribute flyers and referral link to other agencies and their websites

-There will be no after-hours services

-After-hours plan for Coulee CoC needs to be looked at

7. Consumer Advisory Council updates

-Monthly meeting takes place on the third Monday each month at 5:30 at New Beginnings at 122 5th Avenue N.

-Meeting discussed the Homeless Connect event and improvements that could be made

-Peer volunteers to walk attendees through event

-Group is looking for ways to get the word out and promote the council

8. Homeless Connect recap

-Very successful event this year, around 200 attendees and lots of direct services were delivered

-Exit surveys from vendors and participants will provide useful data for next year

-Debrief meeting will be coming soon, invite will come from Becky

9. PIT Count results and recap

-Unofficial count: 57 unsheltered (compared to 33 last year) and 63 in shelter

10. Agency Updates

11. Upcoming agency presentations

- a. September – Open

- b. October – Open
- c. November – Open

Next Meeting – Tuesday, August 20th, at 2:30pm