

## February 2021 Quarterly Meeting: CoC Director Report      Nov 13 – Feb 13, 2021

### CoC Competition

- As a part of the Coronavirus Relief Bill, the requirement for the FY20 CoC Competition was waived. This means that all projects funded in FY19 Competition will be renewed in FY20. An email was sent out to recipients and each are responsible for reviewing their grants on the list to ensure accuracy. Helped address a few issues.
- FY21 CoC Competition will likely occur May-June 2021, need to prepare for scoring and ranking as was done pre-COVID.

### CoC Organizational Activities

- Organized and facilitated November CoC meeting, planned for February meeting.
- Facilitating registration for Shawn Smith's Trauma + Resilience training and Motivational Interviewing training. Cohorts limited to 50, filled up quickly. Able to schedule 3 additional cohorts for each training, June/July.
- Hosted Fair Housing training (11/24) with Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council
- Attended Board of Director mtgs: 12/1, 1/5, 2/2; Exec mtgs: 11/19, 12/17, 1/21
- Staff – Supervision & meetings (moved to weekly meetings). Staff continue to provide support to all coalitions. Some coalitions are more engaged than others.
  - Monitoring and Compliance: Meredith McCoy – monitoring for CoC projects and sub-recipients; facilitating case management mtgs for PSH and RRH case managers; providing technical assistance upon request
  - CE System Specialist: Ryan Graham – working with CE committee & teams, ongoing mtgs w/HMIS staff, addressing local issues and concerns, CE monitoring & handling grievances
  - Grant Specialist: Leigh Polodna – review support documentation, approving requests for reimbursement, and overseeing RRH, HAP & SSO grants, facilitating 3 part series on housing navigation
- Point-in-Time (PIT)
  - Created HIC for November, December, January
  - Prepared documents (non-HMIS, deduplication, guidance) for 2021 January PIT
- Ongoing collaboration with HMIS Lead (ICA) – 11/20, 12/18, 1/15
- Attended finance committee mtg and/or finance-related mtg = 12/15, 1/19
- Local Coalition Presentations
  - Presentation #1 (Coalition 101): Waukesha (1/21), Lakeshore (2/1)
  - Presentation #2 (Data Driven Decision Making): North Central Part 2 (11/17), Coulee (1/26), Waukesha (2/4), Lakeshore (2/8), Brown (2/10),
  - Other Type: Southwest #1 & #2 combined (11/18), Strategic Planning – NE, NWISH, Brown (12/21)
- Reviewed local coalition action plans, develop form for coalitions to document progress on self-identified goals (will be due in May)
- COVID data collection, weekly review, ongoing requests for information and needs of coalitions; assist in securing PPE; advocating for shelters (clients & staff) to be prioritized for COVID vaccine

- Submitted comments for the WI Interagency Council's Hand and the Home Plan (1/31)

### **CoC Grants**

- HAP (20-21): Submit invoice to fiscal agent & grantor for reimbursement (Oct-Dec)
- SSO – CE (20-21): Submit invoice to fiscal agent for reimbursement (Oct-Dec)
- RRH (19 – 20): Close out grant, unspent \$1,786.51, submitted APR (12/14) and HUD accepted (12/22)
- RRH (20 - 21): Submit invoice to fiscal agent for reimbursement (Oct-Dec)
- SSO – CE DV (20-21): Submit invoice to fiscal agent for reimbursement (Oct-Dec)

### **National Conferences/Trainings/Webinars**

- Rural & BOS Community of Practice call (12/8, 1/12, 2/9)
- NLIHC: National Call on COVID and Housing & Homelessness (11/23, 11/30, 12/14, 12/21, 1/25)
- HUD Office Hours: Planning & Response for Homeless Assistance Providers (11/20, 12/4, 12/11, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5)
- HUD TA call (12/17)
- NAEH presentation = Conducting PIT in COVID (1/6), Homeless Policy in Biden Administration (1/27)
- Org Code Leadership Training (12/8, 12/16, 2/8, 2/11)

### **Policy Development**

- Revising CoC Governance charter

### **State and National Collaboration & Advocacy efforts**

- Participate on United Way EFSP Set-Aside Board (1/19)
- Participated on DCF PATHS RFP Evaluation Team
- Attended State Disaster Medical Advisory Committee (SDMAC) call (1/21)
- Governance TA to BOS in Pennsylvania – staff and board (1/29, 2/5)
- PC follow-up call on PATH with DHS (2/5, 2/11)
- Discussion with Children Hospital Wisconsin staff about CoC, local coalitions, and coordinated entry (1/11)
- Advocacy with State Assembly & Senator office – vaccine prioritization, 2 follow-up calls; developing ongoing plan to provide more information to elected officials on needs and data
- Joined Eau Claire & Madison school homeless liaisons, Dane CoC Coordinator, and United Way Chippewa Valley staff to present on CoC-School connections for DPI (12/8)
- Collaboration conference calls with Dane, Milwaukee & Racine CoC leads – these calls include DEHCR, HUD & Mike Basford (11/20, 12/16, 12/29, 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/29, 2/5, 2/11)
- Participate in WI Interagency Quarterly meeting (12/8)
- Attend WI IAC work group meeting virtually (DWD - 12/2)
- 4 WI CoC leadership discussion with state agency staff on collaboration efforts, addressing issues & concerns =
  - DHS Medicaid (11/18, 12/9, 1/13, 2/10)

- DHS presentation on Lead Safe Home (12/2)
- DOC & LSS coordinated entry presentation with Ryan (12/17)
- 4 CoC check-in only (12/4, 12/9, 12/18, 1/12)
- 4 CoC call with Governor's Office on budget (12/9)
- DEHCR ESG office hours (11/16, 11/23, 11/30, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/30); Lead call (2/1); CoC lead call, issue specific – Con Plan & ESG CARES (12/1, 12/10, 12/21)
- ESF 6 Weekly Briefing – involves CoCs, Mike Basford, HUD, FEMA, WI Emergency Management, WI DHS and ICA (11/18, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10)

**Out of the Office:** Holiday (11/26-27, 12/24-25, 12/31-1/1, 1/18)

Out (11/25, 12/28-12/30)

**Upcoming:**

- Local Coalition Presentations: Fox Cities 2 (2/16), Coulee 1 (2/18), Northwest 1 (3/11), Kenosha 2 (3/16), West Central 1 (3/16), Northwest 2 (3/18), West Central 2 (3/30)
- NAEH Conference – Virtual (3/8-3/10)
- NLIHC Virtual Housing Policy Forum – (3/30-3/31)