Hello,

Just a friendly reminder that the next ESN meeting is Tuesday, February 9th, at 8:30 a.m. via

Zoom video call. Call information here

Agenda

- Welcome and introductions.
- Minutes from January meeting
- Jockey presentation with Jake McGhee and Stefanie Romanowski
- Committee reports & updates:
 - 1. Homeless Awareness & Prevention Partnership Committee.
 - 2. Hunger Prevention Council.
 - 3. Legislative Committee.
 - 4. Energy Assistance Committee.
 - 5. Public Relations Committee.
 - 6. BOS/COC update.
- Agency sharing.
- Adjourn.

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Emergency Services Network of Kenosha Gounty

Meeting Minutes of Zoom Meeting

January 12, 2021

Name Agency Name Agency Karl Erickson **ELCA Outreach Center** Cyndi Zarletti **Kenosha Housing Authority**

Nicole Thomsen One Hope Laurie McDonald United Way Kenosha County Karen Kempinen **CUSH** Elizabeth Stinebaugh Legal Action of WI

Kenosha County Child Support Abby Fuller Familia Dental Lois Brandt Tamarra Coleman **Shalom Center Dustin Feeney** Kenosha County Child Support Lisa Haen **KHDS** Kenosha Police Department Marty Howard Angie Volm WCH Jennifer Blasi Kenosha County Veterans

Allysa Vucenic **ADRC** Lisa Sanders **Shalom Center**

Nicole Leipski **UW Extension** Rebecca Pritzl **KHDS**

Sharing Center/Kenosha Food Nicole Boyer Kenosha County DWD Sharon Pomaville

Prevention Services Network Janel Semone Erin Morey **KUSD KHDS** Sandra Zabow MHS Health Wisconsin Sue Roknic

Anna Amari KCHC

Ted McMahon **Hospice Alliance** Kimm Peters Kenosha County DWD

Welcome & Introductions

The meeting via Zoom was called to order at 8:34 a.m. by Byron Wright. Karl welcomed everyone and went through roll call.

Minutes

A motion was made by Sharon P. and seconded by Lisa H. to approve the minutes from the December Zoom ESN meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Election of Officers

Byron let everyone know that we needed to elect officers since this was the first meeting of the year. He let the group know that all individuals in the positions currently were willing to remain in their capacities for the new year. He also asked for nominations from the group. There being no nominations, a motion was made by Erin Morey to elect Byron Wright and Karl Erickson, co-chairs and Sherri Dabbs, secretary for the year 2021. The motion was seconded by Tamarra C., all were in favor, motion carried.

MOU & Membership Application for 2021

Lisa H. let the group know they will be receiving a MOU for 2021 and also a membership application. If both of those items could be completed and returned to her as soon as possible, that would be great. Karl added we only need one MOU per agency. If you could return them electronically that would be ideal.

The ESN Meeting was temporarily adjourned to adjourn the quarterly meeting of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program.

Byron called the meeting of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program to order. He indicated that the group needed to elect a chair for the group. Byron indicated that he would be interested in continuing unless there were others that would like to take the position. There being no nominations, Karl made the motion to elect Byron the chair of the committee, Pam H. seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Lisa H. reported that Phase 38 applications are due, a notice has gone to the media outlets. Completed applications are due 25th. Lisa mentioned that she has only received two requests so far for funding. Additionally, payment requests for Phase 37 are due no later than March 31 and we are still waiting on two of them. Byron indicated that once the applications are back they will need to be reviewed and asked for volunteers to help do this. Those volunteering to review applications are Byron, Elizabeth S., Erin M., Laurie M. and Lisa H.

There being no further business of the EFSP, the meeting was adjourned.

Rental Assistance

Lisa H. gave a brief update on the ESG Corona Virus. There is money for prevention, however, we cannot use it due to the eviction moratorium being extended. HUD guidelines indicate that they can use the eviction moratorium declaration as a resource. We are also looking to have more money allocated to Kenosha at the end of January however we need to determine how we can best use those monies to help the individuals. Sharon from Sharing Center indicated that they still have money for assistance (rent/utility) however the amounts are out of range for the agency. Jennifer let the group know that veterans has their new allotment of funding to assisting veterans in Kenosha.

Committee Reports

Homeless Awareness & Prevention Partnership/Centralized and Coordinated Assessment Committee Rebecca P. reported the committee met on December 15 virtually at 9:30 via Teams. The group discussed the BOS action plans and updates and discussed the point in time survey to be conducted in January. Agencies are gathering resources to put in bags for individuals. Tamarra made a motion to approve the report, second by Lisa H. All in favor, motion carried.

Hunger Prevention Council

Sharon reported that the Food Pantry network continues to meet on Tuesdays and is serving as a substitution to our normal meetings. The group is sharing resources and is staying on top of changes.

Legislative Committee

Committee did not meet.

Energy Assistance Committee

Kimm P. reported they did not meet, but a flyer will be put together for western Kenosha County by Molly C. with resources etc.

Public Relations Committee

Committee did not meet.

BOS/COC Update

Lisa reported that the Annual Meeting was in December and the election of officers took place. Lisa H. is the co-chair of the Board currently. Dues (\$250) for ESN to be on the BOS are currently due. Tamarra

made a motion to pay the dues and Karl seconded. All in favor, motion carried. A thank you was extended to KHDS for picking up this expense on behalf of ESN.

Agency Sharing

- Laurie from United Way reported they are proceeding with the VITA tax program. There will be three ways to access this service, one is all online where documents are submitted via an online hub, another is in person, with this however, the documents are left with the person and then returned once the documents are completed and the last is myfreetaxes.com. Information will be on the website very soon.
- Laurie also shared that their will be a virtual resource fair which will get the word out to folks who need services and resources in Kenosha County. January 28 is the first one.
- Nicole from UW introduced Amy who was new to their office and will be doing outreach and such for their office.
- Lisa S. from Shalom Center reminded everyone that the soup kitchens are open and there is a new location as well. Currently there is no site for Thursday, however, we should have a site secured soon.
- Lisa S. also suggested that we promote the ESN website when individuals are requesting services and resources.

Tamarra C. made the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

The next meeting will be February 9, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. via zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri & Nabby

ESN Secretary