



Emergency Services Network Of Kenosha County

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding is between the member organizations of the Emergency Services Network (ESN) of Kenosha County (hereinafter referred to as Members).

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is:

- for the implementation and administration of the WI BOSCO (Wisconsin Balance of State Continuum of Care) programming, the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) and the Department of Energy, Housing and Community Resources (DEHCR) supportive housing programming in Kenosha County.
- to promote the health and well-being of residents of Kenosha County by learning about available, new and ongoing community resources through presentations and agency sharing.

We are a collaborative, community-based effort to coordinate services, share information, attract increased funding, and eliminate duplication and gaps in services for individuals and families experiencing poverty and homelessness. Each member will commit to the ESN mission which is to strengthen the impact of service delivery in meeting emergency needs (for food, shelter, etc.) in our community through coordinated planning and cooperative delivery of services.

As a member of the ESN, I agree to:

- Sign a MOU annually and maintain active participation in the ESN by attending 6 meetings per year.
- Vote as necessary.
- Represent the views of my agency or institution.
- Participate on a committee, if necessary.
- Advocate on behalf of those that are experiencing homelessness and poverty.
- Coordinate and work with the WI BOSCO, DEHCR and EFSP as needed and requested.
- Collaborate to develop and implement programs to best meet client needs.
- Have in place policies and procedures regarding confidentiality, access to records, and referrals.
- Provide services to eligible clients that do not discriminate because of age, race, color, disability, actual or perceived gender identity, actual or perceived sexual orientation, creed, national origin, ancestry, arrest or conviction record, source of income, marital status, religion, status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual abuse, or stalking and military participation.
- observe all pertinent federal and state statutes and rules, as well as professional standards.

This memorandum of understanding will be reviewed annually. Any Member may terminate their participation in this agreement at any time by providing written notice to the chairperson(s) of the Emergency Services Network of Kenosha County. This agreement remains in effect until terminated in accordance with this provision, or until such time as state or federal law invalidates the agreement.

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

Title: _____ Organization: _____

Date: _____