

La Crosse Collaborative to End Homelessness

Collaborative, diverse, and compassionate individuals working to eliminate homelessness in La Crosse County.

Meeting Minutes

October 24th, 2017

Present: Mark Schimpf, Chandra Cox, Molly Betts, Teresa Byland, Alexis Seitz, Darren Dannhoff, John Turben, Kevin Burch, Caroline Gregerson, Kristina Bechtel, Joel Miller, Chandler Miller, Julie McDermid, Melanie Hamel, Bethany Gohres, Tristine Baumann, Kim Cable

1. Introductions
2. Wisconsin Balance of State update
 - Kim wasn't elected to the BOS Board in this last round of elections.
 - BOS governance by-laws, especially relating to board membership composition, still need to go for a vote and requires a recommendation from each CoC.
 - Next quarterly BOS meeting is November 9-10
 - CoC after hours plan has been returned to us for minor changes
 - Still no word on emergency shelter contracts for rural areas from state
3. 100-Day Sprint and Initiative updates
 - 2 day action lab to kick off spring was successful. Design and leadership teams came up with goal of housing 10 families with children who are currently homeless
 - The three sub-goal teams include: 1) volunteer model, wheel of support, diversify supports, peer support model; 2) Finding units and landlord relationships, landlord liaison project, partnership agreement, service agency agreement; 3) Upstream prevention/diversion, over 100 families in the LCSD alone that are in very unstable housing situation (e.g. doubled up, motels, cars)
 - Jane Alberts verbally agreed to let applications for PH go out of the office into the hands of service providers
 - Leadership team to help find flexible funding, landlord liaison, look for properties, talk to Mayo/Gund for properties that could be used for bridge or housing first, work with courts on eviction diversion
 - Special allocation of ETH funds will go to funding FT outreach/housing navigators
4. Collaborative Governance
 - Collaborative as a whole having several permanent committees, including 7 person steering committee, consumer advisory council, finance committee, presented via webinar (coming soon), membership agreement for service agencies that want voting power, 10 meetings per year, need to be at 8 meetings,

5. Agency Updates

6. Upcoming agency presentations
- a. November
 - b. December

Next Meeting: November 21st at 2:30pm

Submitted by: Mark Schimpf – Catholic Charities