Minutes

Jefferson County Continuum of Care Meeting

July 12, 2016 Noon Rainbow Hospice Care Center Johnson Creek, WI

Present: Jeanette Petts, Community Action Coalition for South Central WI, Inc.

Jill Johnson, JCHS Lea Flores, JCHS Jeremy Schmidt, CAC Jill Hughey, Rainbow Hospice Henry Mess, Salvation Army Kevin Magee, Legal Action of WI Roxanne Witte, JCEDC

Jeanette welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. Self-introductions were made.

The minutes from 4/12/16 were accepted.

Those present were reminded of the venue change. July and Octobers meetings will be held at the Rainbow Hospice Center in Johnson Creek. We will assess the new location in October and decide if we want to continue meeting there or go back to Jefferson.

Jeanette presented Junes Housing Inventory Chart and explained it and the importance of it. The group had a conversation about how we could include St. Vincent de Paul numbers on the HIC. Henry volunteered to talk with the St. Vincent de Paul Conference about this at a meeting that was being held tonight.

Jeremy presented information on homeless numbers for the grant years 2013/2014 and 2014/2015. He noted the increase. The group discussed the numbers and these were only CACs numbers but it would be nice to have total year numbers for all agencies providing services to homeless people in the County.

Jeanette asked for ideas on presentations for the CoC meetings. She mentioned the VSO as a possible agency and Jeanette agreed to find someone to speak about Youth Homelessness in the County.

Jeanette mentioned to the group that the next Point In Time Statewide count is coming soon on July 27th and we were still looking for volunteers to search for homeless people. Jeanette talked about the importance of the count and that we now have to check every square mile of the County so it has become a larger effort. Anyone interested, please contact Jeanette or Barb at CAC.

Jeanette mentioned there is a new Veteran Program that will assist homeless Veteran households with security deposit, first months rent and utility assistance. It is called Welcome Home and will run through September.

Jeanette discussed an email from Judy at CART indicating their recent participants. The group discussed common struggles to assist everyone.

Jill Johnson mentioned that the Ready Kidsqdrive will occur on August 6th. Families must call Workforce Development Center to register and the deadline is August 1st.

Roxanne mentioned there is a new 0% rehab loan program that assists not only homeowners but also landlords that rent to low income folks.

Kathy handed out flyers for the Coordinated Assessment Training on October 5th. We are hoping to get many organizations and agencies to attend the event to learn about and become involved in Coordinated Assessment in Jefferson County. Jeanette discussed the importance of this for homeless people in our communities.

Henry presented Jeanette with an article from New Mexico on how they are solving the homeless problem there. Jeanette will scan it to the CoC group.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11th <u>at Rainbow Hospice Center</u>. Upcoming meetings: January 10, and April 11, 2017.

Meeting adjourned.