

Minutes
Rural North COC Meeting
August 11, 2021

Meeting called to order by Duana at 10:30

Members in attendance: Duana Bremer, Stephena Smith, Stacey Feidt, Michelle Wilkens, Connie Hanson, Leigh Polodna, Curt Spicer, Paul Huber, Sandy Clark

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The first order of business: It is time for elections of Chair, Vice chair, Delegate and Secretary. Please let Duana know either by phone or via email if your interested in any of the above so that we can vote on it at the next meeting.

It was determined that in order to encourage participation, meetings should be held consistently. It was decided that we would meet every other month. Our next meeting will be held October 13th, 2021 at 10:30, and then every other month on the second Wednesday.

Stacey reported that referrals are being added under the Clarity system with few issues. People may be at the top of the list but find it difficult to find housing, a situation experienced by all counties. Stacey reminded us of the fact that the new FMR will be released Oct. 1st and has a larger increase in rents than usual and that FMR requirement for RRH is no longer a stipulation. Carrie is proposing a monetary incentive to DV shelters to encourage use of Non-Wisp list.

Action Plan: At the June 22nd meeting, the first to include new potential members to the COC was well attended. Afterwards Duana emailed a follow-up survey, but only received one response. How do we attract more people?? Ideas put forth were: to schedule meetings consistently (see above) and to invite presenters, for instance: Law Enforcement, representatives from a Parent Ed group and school district liaisons. Information was shared that all school district liaisons were listed on the DPI website. Stephena and Stacey will coordinate contact with the liaisons and an invitation to the October meeting.

See attached from Stephena regarding available funding and 2021-22 EHH allocations

Reminder: last Wednesday of the month info to Stacey if you are not using service point. Question came up regarding new men's shelter in Hayward, contact will be made to begin that process.

Semi-annual PIT count update: for the first time, Sandy was able to locate 2 homeless individuals, Connie talked to 1 and Steph 1. All wished to continue their current living situations, car and tent.

Leah informed us of a webinar detailing the Youth Grant, which will be available on 8/19

Motion was made by Sandy and seconded by Stacey to approve the minutes of meetings held on May 4, June 8, and June 22, Motion was approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:25.