** Northern Wisconsin Initiative to Stop Homelessness (N\*WISH)**

Via Zoom

October 5, 2022, 10:30am-12:00pm

Minutes prepared by Nicole Marchand

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Teleka Dewing – Food Pantry – in person

Makenna Kalata – CE Newcap – in person

Nicole Marchand – Newcap

Karen Fish – Newcap – In-Person

Meaghan Gleason - Newcap

Beth Larsen – CW Solutions

Debbie Bushman - Newcap

Melissa Cornelius - Avail

Beth Brunelli – OGJVAMC

Mark Martello - Iron Mountain VAMC Homeless Program Supervisor

Ashley Durand – W2 - In-Person

Amanda Jahn – Salvation Army - In-Person

Janell Schroeder – Rhinelander Housing Authority – in person

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Amanda Aubry, Ginger Chrobak

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

1. **Review and Approval of July & September Minutes:** Melissa approved, Meaghan 2nd, approved
2. **PIT – August:** Makenna shared the numbers forthe month and asked that everyone get their numbers in for September.
3. **Jessica DeGrave – Whole Family Approach & Coaching –**

Jessica is Newcap’s Director of Whole Family Implementation. As Newcap is transitioning to the Whole Family Approach, instead of just focusing on the head of household, the focus is a multi-generational approach, the whole family goes thru coaching and activities. It has been very successful thus far. We tried to share a video with the group and had technical problems, so we will try and send the video out with the minutes or show it next meeting.

1. **YHDP Submitted Project’s –** Newcap is in search of the Mobile Outreach vehicle to use for the MOST project. Not having a lot of luck finding a used vehicle with a lift.Discussed the need for additional funding to purchase a vehicle. Outreach will start with or with out the mobile vehicle.
2. **YAB Update – Meaghan Gleason.** Meaghan shared that NWISH now has their own YAB rather that just one between NWISH and NE Coalitions. NWISH’s is at the 3 members with 2/3 having lived experience. They are always looking for more YAB members, more diverse members to include males, Indigenous/Native American, LGTBQ youth, etc. Minimimun age for the YAB to be compensated is 14 to 24.
3. **Action Plan 4 –** Makenna is in charge of both of our Action Plans this round. Action Plan 1 - Participation in Coordinated entry – Looking to get new agencies within our coalition to take part in Coordinated Entry. Action Plan 2 - Point in Time – which is ongoing. Meaghan did have a school in the NWISH Coalition that is interested in coordinated entry she will get that information to Makenna.
4. **ESG/CV NWISH** 1 housed, 4 unhoused – past criminal records, evictions on their record, lack of units at ratee we can pau, 4 that are housed in aftercare getting case management
5. **Coordinated Entry Update:** Makenna Kalata – Non-HMIS System is up and running, If you need training or have any questions please reach out to Makenna. Meaghan dis say that one of the school districts that she has been in contact with has expressed some interest in coordinated entry.
6. **DV Rapid Re-Housing Update –** Meaghan – DV RRH: 2 Housed, 1 Unhoused (looking), 1 exiting to family. New Staff Member in this role Lisa Dee – Oconto office
7. **BOS Updates-**
8. Agenda Ideas –
9. **Agency Updates –** 
   1. **Avail -** Renovation still under wayinstalling new kitchen cabinets as we are meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 11:15am

**Next N\*WISH meeting**

**November 2, 2022 – 10:30am-12:00pm**

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