

Ozaukee County Local Coalition Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 9:30 am

In-person or Zoom Meeting

Location - Ozaukee Nonprofit Center, 2360 Dakota Drive, Grafton

Meeting Minutes

1. Introductions - Joana called the meeting to order at 9:32 am.
2. Review and Approval of January 16, 2024 Minutes—Linda Vargo motioned to approve the minutes, and Jeane Sager seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. Wisconsin Balance of State CoC
 - a. Balance of State Update - Joana
 - i. WI BOS 2024 Conference, “Empower-Inspire-Impact” - Joana gave an overview of the conference/training that was held in February.
 - ii. Volunteer Time/Match—Joana shared with the coalition the importance of recording everyone’s time at the local coalition meeting for the match for the WI BOS CoC.
4. Action Plan 2.0/Annual Report Explanation - Joana said it is time to submit the Annual Report Explanation to the WI BOS CoC. She will work on it and submit it.
5. After-hours Motel Plan—Joana said the plan needs to be reviewed and voted on at the May meeting. The current plan was included in the email sent out with the March agenda. Joana asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the after-hours plan, but none were expressed. Joana asked for volunteers to assist with reviewing the plan. Barbara and Jeane said they would help, and Joana will reach out to Barb Fisher to see if she would also like to be on the committee.
6. Ozaukee County Local Coalition Discussion—Joana asked the group what the coalition would like to focus on in the future. We must take care of business from the WI BOS and the State of Wisconsin, but are there other initiatives that members would like to work on? The idea of affordable housing, transitional housing, vocational training, and landlord outreach were discussed. Barbara would like to work on creating marketing materials to highlight the programs in Ozaukee County. All the coalition members felt this would be a good idea.
7. Homeless Funding
 - a. EHH 23/24 Application - Joana reported that we are six months into the new grant cycle.
 - b. Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) - Barbara reported no updates.
 - c. Safe and Stable Homes (UWGMW) - Joana reported that FPOZ still has funds available for families. The grant ends June 30, and FPOZ will apply for additional funds this year.
 - d. Family Promise National Homeless Prevention Program—Joana reported that FPOZ received \$15,000 to prevent family homelessness. This grant began on July 1.

- e. Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP): Adam reported that the program continues to do well. For the next few weeks, there will be no new enrollments. There are currently 21 households in the program, and they recently had graduates, one of whom was from Ozaukee County. Four of these households are from Ozaukee County.
8. Homeless Programs Update
- a. Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program—Joana reported that we currently have seven households on the voucher program, and they contact Family Promise if they need assistance.
 - b. Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Program: Melissa was not at the meeting, so no update was reported.
9. Landlord Outreach - Joana reported that we will revisit this after the meeting that some of the coalition members are having with the county administrator.
10. Agency Updates
- a. SVDP - Linda reported that the store has gone through some renovations.
 - b. Habitat for Humanity - Diana reported that they currently have 20 people on the waiting list for the next house. Hopefully, they will break ground on a Port Washington home later this summer.
 - c. Salvation Army - Jeane reported that they did well during the Red Kettle Campaign last year.
 - d. Ozaukee County/Economic Support—Darsell reported that if individuals are having problems applying for assistance through the Moraine Lakes Consortium, they can contact the county and they can schedule an appointment with someone who can assist them.
 - e. HUD - Claire shared some resources on filing a fair housing complaint and a list of housing counseling agencies in Southwest Wisconsin.
 - f. FPOZ - Joana reported that there have been several phone calls for shelter and rent assistance.
11. Next Meeting....Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 9:30 AM at the Ozaukee Nonprofit Center

Adjourn