

**Ozaukee County Local Coalition Meeting
In-person or Zoom Meeting
May 16, 2023, 9:00 AM**

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Mark Gierach, Barbara Bates-Nelson, Jeane Sager, Linda Vargo, Cori Guerin, Jennifer McBride, Tuy Tran, Holly Sieren, Tracey Van Ryzin, Paul Bissett, Joana Hemschemeyer, Amanda Bramstedt, Kristin Nichols, Austin Newsom, Dan Benning, Cassandra Robinson, Ka Xiong, Michael Basford, Nikki Thompson, Rachel Trainor, Melissa Weir, Wayne Lambrecht, Carissa Barnes, Deanna Kloster, Hailey Nenonen, and Lynn Constantine.

1. Introductions/Call to Order – Joana welcomed all attendees and called the meeting to order.
2. Review and Approval of April 2023, Minutes – Joana presented the meeting minutes. A motion was made by Barbara to approve the meeting minutes, and Cori seconded. Motion carried.
3. Presentation by Holly Sieren on “Racial Equality”
 - a. Holly is the Coordinated Entry System Specialist for the Wisconsin Balance of State Continuum of Care. She gave a presentation showing the racial disparity information for the Ozaukee Local Coalition. HMIS information from 7/21 – 6/22.
4. After Hours Plan – Joana reported that effective 6/1/23 FPOZ will take over this process from Advocates of Ozaukee. Kristin asked that we revise the wording to specify for DV/SA, etc. that the person is actively fleeing. They accept those people who are being emotionally, physically or sexually assaulted or have been trafficked. A motion was made by **Linda to approve the After Hours Plan with the addition of specific language about persons actively fleeing DV/SA, etc. Barbara seconded and the motion carried.**
5. Wisconsin Balance of State CoC
 - a. Balance of State Update – Joana provided information on the upcoming meeting, grant and volunteer match time.
 - i. Quarterly Meeting – The Wisconsin Balance of State Continuum of Care is holding their online quarterly meeting on Friday, May 19
 - ii. HAP Grant – Family Promise is planning to apply for this Housing Assistance Program for a Rapid Re-Housing program. Holly stated a vote by this coalition is not necessary.
 - iii. Volunteer Time/Match – Joana asked members to go online and add their time spent at this meeting so it can be counted as match. This is an updated link and is working now.
 1. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScKQaQ21fhWADSXIAh6lsx7DmNw7R_qRF2P4UKKqkP7MG5U8Q/viewform?usp=sf_link
6. Homeless Funding
 - a. EHH 22/23 – Joana reported on this existing grant for homeless services that ends June 30th, 2023.
 - b. EHH 23/24 Application - Joana reported on the application for this upcoming grant cycle. A motion was made by Jeane to approve Family Promise applying for these funds. Linda seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - c. Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) – Barbara reported on this program and noted that she hasn’t been notified about the funding.

- d. Safe and Stable Homes (UWGMW) - Joana gave an update that Family Promise of Ozaukee County applied for another year of SASH Funding for \$50,000 for Ozaukee and Washington Counties. Amanda stated that Advocates also applied for additional funding.
 - e. Family Promise National Homeless Prevention Program – Joana reported that the Clayton funds has approximately \$1,300 left for homeless prevention. Family Promise National may be able to access more funding from the Clayton Foundation.
 - f. Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP) – Jennifer gave an update on this program that continues to enroll clients ages 18-24. They are looking for transitional housing units by June 1st of this year. In Ozaukee County, Jennifer has five clients she is working with. She has also been doing outreach at area churches, law enforcement and military representatives. Jennifer stated the program is also looking at the concept of host homes, which recruits families to house youth for up to 20 days.
7. Homeless Programs Update
- a. Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program – Joana gave an update on this housing program.
 - b. Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Program – Melissa reported that she currently has a full caseload, but they are working on a referral form which is available to review. Joana will send it out so the entire coalition can view it. Melissa currently has six households in the program from Ozaukee County.
8. Future Meeting Location
- a. Possible time change – Joana talked about moving meetings to the Ozaukee Non-Profit Center due to the size of the group. One issue is the facility doesn't open until 9am, so we should consider whether we want to move to 9:30. Joana asked for a show of hands, and all were in favor of changing the start time for the Coalition meetings to 9:30.
9. Portlight Shelter Update – Paul reported the shelter currently has 5 households with 10 total people. 2 families with children, 1 single female and 2 single males. 24 total people have been sheltered to date. We are planning to take over the after-hours process from Advocates of Ozaukee effective June 1st.
10. Coordinated Entry – Joana reported 3 families and 7 singles as of 5/10 on our Rapid Re-Housing list.
11. Ozaukee County Data Collection – Paul reported that we are setting up our first meeting for next week.
12. Landlord Outreach – Jennifer reported that there is a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 30 at 2:00 pm at Family Promise to discuss the next steps.
13. Agency Updates –
- a. Jeane, SA said they are only able to help those facing evictions or have utility disconnects. They want to make sure people are also referred to other agencies as their funding is diminished.
 - b. FPOZ Touchdown for a Cause, June 21, 730 – 9am with Wayne Larrivee at the Ozaukee Non-Profit Center.
14. Next Meeting.... Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 9:30 AM
- Meeting Adjourned