



Housing Action Coalition
of Waukesha County

The Housing Action Coalition of Waukesha County

Provider Collaborative

February 21, 2023
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Waukesha State Bank Community Room

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Judith Amerson; Sunny Hirschfield; Matt Wych; Jackie Smith; Kathleen Fisher; Kristy Weinberger; Michael Egly; Megan Goodlad; Joe Nettesheim; Amy Vega; Jodie LaChappelle

Lead Agency/HAC Staff: Patricia Fabian

Voting & Paid Members:

CACSCW, CTGA, Eras, Family Promise, Food Pantry Serving Waukesha, Hebron Housing Services, Hope Center, Literacy Services of WI, LSS, NAMI Southeast WI, ProHealth Care, SVDP, The Salvation Army, The Women’s Center, United Way, Waukesha Free Clinic, Aurora Health Care, Waukesha Police Department
 Waukesha Housing Authority

Agenda Items	Discussion		Action
Call to Order	1:36 PM		
Review & Approval of Minutes			
Program Presentation/Discussion	Interesting Article on Linked In: https://www.linkedin.com/posts/deanna-kloster-3387934_connecting-housing-stability-and-health-in-activity-7033448771178921985-S4O2?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_android Email Sent to Greater Collaboration on 2/9 about different ideas and ways communities around the country are trying to decrease their Eviction rate as a means to help stabilize housing.		Discussion regarding Eviction Prevention -
WI Balance of State Updates	Housing First 102 Training Day 1: Wednesday, February 22nd from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM To register: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6024467629261219417		

Day 2: Thursday, February 23rd from 9:00 AM - Noon

To register: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3744348794091082846> After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Moving from Concept to Contact: Utilizing the Tools for Effective DEIB Conversation & Conflict Resolution Training Cohort 2 date: Wed. March 29th and Wed. April 19th from 10:00 am – 11:30 am. Registration for Cohort #2: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/alonzo-kelly-cohort-2-effective-deib-conversation-conflict-resolution-tickets-471191365057>

When you sign up, you are agreeing to **actively participate throughout the entire 90 minute session on 2 different days** and you have a workable camera, speaker, and microphone. If you are not able to actively participate throughout the entire 90 minute session, cannot attend both dates, and/or you do not have a workable camera, speaker, and microphone, we ask that you not sign up.

There are other training opportunities available through WIBSOC – if you would like the complete list (It was sent out week of January 23rd – just email Patricia)

Action Plan #4 These were the previous Goals developed in 2022

- With the help of the Coalition, HAC was able to submit Action Plan #4 ahead of the deadline to the WIBOS. Below are the topics that were chosen.
 - **Public Housing Authorities (PHA)** – Determine ways to support the Waukesha Housing Authority (WHA) and the implementation of having a homeless preference. Also, discuss the possibility to expand on Coordinated Entry. Expanding the options for individuals and households in shelters to exit to permanent housing with the help of CE and WHA.
 - **Protecting Against Discrimination** - There is always the opportunity for growth and learning in this area. Additionally, I am not aware of culturally specific LGBTQ+ agencies in Waukesha County that are available for support or advocacy. Historically, marginalized populations who do not have

Discussion surrounding the previous plan that has an extension and creation of a new plan.

K. Fisher suggested we not attempt to take on too much –

	<p>ongoing access to providers with cultural humility or competence can experience additional, and at times, more significant barriers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Accessing mainstream benefits - It is becoming increasingly difficult for individuals and households to access medical and mental health services promptly. And to the goal above, there are very few culturally competent or culturally specific providers. <p>*****</p> <p>We need to Create our ACTION PLAN 2.0 which focuses on DEI in Homeless Services for the 2023 year. The Coalition started with the noted identification of goals/processes to start.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Are these goals/statements still relevant today? ● Are there other new more pressing topics that have surfaced since June of 2022 ● How do the goals for COC Action Plan 2.0 integrate with the potential committee creation noted below? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Thoughts on priority #1,2, 3? ○ Will be polling at the Greater Collaboration Meeting on Thursday Zoom ○ Creating Action Plan and Work Groups from the WHOLE of the Collaboration 	<p>that we should start with inviting BOS to do a presentation on the Stats to even know/create understanding of what it looks like in Waukesha.</p> <p>Second Goal: All in favor of Discharge Planning as we all have been on the receiving end of people/families in panic as they are discharged to homelessness from local health care and MH providers and the criminal</p>
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	<p>justice system.</p> <p>Could we learn from COCs that have good plans? Jackie S shared that moving the needle on this has been broached in the past – but there was little to no willingness to address the challenge.</p> <p>These two goals/action items will be shared Thursday on the Monthly ZOOM meeting for finalizing and approval.</p>	
<p>Local Coalition Committee Updates</p>	<p>HAC PIT & Data Committee</p> <p>HAC Coordinated Entry & Diversion Committee</p> <p>HEART- Homeless Engagement & Response Team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HAC has reserved a conference room at the City Hall in downtown Waukesha for HEART to meet in person on the 3rd Monday of each month at 1:00 P.M. • If you are looking to be a part of this meeting, please email HAC at cocwaukesha@gmail.com <p><i>The information below is from the JUNE 2022 Coalition Meeting. Creating either of these committees would assist in fulfilling our COC Action Plan 2.0</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To better align our Coalition priorities with our funders’ expectations, HAC would like the Provider Collaborative to consider the creation of a committee called RED (Racial Equity & Data Committee) to address racial disparities in housing and homelessness and to advance racial equity in our community. Some of the key concepts of this committee would be to identify the different levels of racism such as interpersonal, institutional, and structural/systemic. What is equality vs. equity vs. justice? Evaluate what data looks like in Waukesha. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HAC would also like the Provider Collaborative to consider the creation of the <i>Housing Solutions & Strategies Committee</i> to address the current crisis of a lack of affordable and safe housing in Waukesha County. Some of the objectives could be to explore permanent, affordable housing options, and shared-housing models, utilize creative strategies to address housing affordability and discuss inclusionary zoning regulations/options. 	
EOS Update (Emergency Overflow Shelter)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Averaging approximately 20 people per day Regular meetings with all shelters/people involved has improved overall communication and referral flow People are exiting the EOS to their Referring Shelter CLOSURE DATE – Monday, April 3, 2023 (some flexibility if needed) Wind down meetings scheduled for March 10 and March 28 will all providers of supports. EOS may be rented by other community Shelter Providers during the off season. This would help provide a revenue stream to be used in the EOS Season. 	Patricia Fabian
HAC Updates	<p>EHH 2022-2023 Monitoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HAC will be engaged with DEHCR for the annual monitoring as the Lead Agency and its sub-recipients, which include Community Action Coalition, Hebron Housing Services, and The Salvation Army. On Site Monitoring is scheduled for Monday, March 27th beginning at 9:30 AM. SSHG funds were awarded late in 2022 to be used by 4/2023. Will be put towards EOS Operations. \$21,000 SSSG funds were awarded in the amount of \$6,000. These dollars will also support the EOS Operations. This dollar amount is significantly less than in prior years due to the low bed count (shelter use) last season. EOS was in operation approximately two months. This year it is in operation for 4.5 months. HOME Grant: just approved last week by the Committee. Received a grant for \$40,000 in 2023 to help pay the Administration costs at HAC. CBDG Grant process: has just begun and will be submitted by March 10, 2023. 	Patricia Fabian
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two new Housing Initiatives being implemented by HHS 	Kathleen Fisher

<p>Awareness & Education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Youth ages 18 – 24 ○ Recovery Beds (individuals only at this point – no families) ○ Contact Jennifer Hollingsworth at HHS for more information 	
<p>Community & Provider Network Updates</p>	<p>Questions regarding having a Face to Face and a Zoom Coalition meeting in the same week. Unintentional for February.</p> <p>The Local Coalition will be meeting in person every other month – to allow for greater discussion, progress, solutions. (Third Tuesday April/June/Aug/Oct/Dec)</p> <p>The Monthly Zooms - speaker focused will continue on a monthly basis. (Fourth Thursday at 9 AM)</p> <p>You are not required to attend both – and the # of Zooms will be decreased in 2024 (no set plan)</p>	
<p>New Business</p>	<p>Discussion related to FP seeking to rent the EOS from April – October to support additional families.</p> <p>We may have two new Members – Safe Families and Citizens Bank – meeting with both this week and they have expressed interest.</p>	
<p>Adjourn 3:10 PM</p>	<p>The next HAC Provider Collaborative is scheduled for Tuesday , April 18, 2023 – 1:30 – 3:00 PM. Community Room at the downtown Waukesha State Bank Location</p>	