



Meeting Date: May 9, 2023

Time: 9:15 am

In person and Virtual Meeting

Co-Chairs: Celene Steckel & Stephanie Halley

Topic Discussion

Attendance:

Jason Martin, Sarah Leizear, Stephanie Halley, Bobbie Lawrence, Julie McGraw, Jim Kunz, Dennis McConville, Jim Skillington, Terry Serio, Elaine Scott, Judith Walker, Caren Jagoda, Juanita Ritter, Stan Whiteman, Jared Welsh, Zion Boykins, Tammy Black, Judy Viers, Billy Lyve, Wayne Millette, Elizabeth Davoren, Linda Ibex, Jennifer Corcoran, Tiffany Fossett, Megan Edwards, Tony Roman, Victoria Parks, Emma Sparks, Samantha Brong, Paul Moffett, Rebecca Rigney, Amy Baker, Michael Clavin, Caroline Babylon, Jennifer Graybill, Javier Toro, Cheri Ebaugh, Celene Steckel, Danielle Yates, Lorrie Yinger, Stacey Hartman, Donna Devilbiss, Maggie Kunz, Dr. Darcel Harris, Marni McGarry, Lauren Biggs

1. Welcome – Celene Steckel

a. Community Partners Introductions

b. COC Meetings-In Person at Exploration Commons with new time of 9:15am-11:15am

c. Announcements

- i. Bobbie Lawrence – Veterans Celebration this past Sunday, May 7th; 2,000 participants, great bands, good food; 37 VSOs present; honored Afghan veterans; mark your calendars for next year May 5th, 2024
- ii. Free drive through document shredding and prescription drop-off
- iii. WEAAD events June 12th-16th
- iv. Area plan for 2024-2027 due in May
- v. Billy Lyve – Had over 700 people attend our Easter Egg Hunt; vendors were set up; Friday is our last Therapeutic horseback riding day; Collision Course – hosted a mac and cheese tutorial at Exploration Commons
- vi. Judith Walker – Goodwill Housing Strategies; pilot program links children 15-22 with homebound seniors who love to garden and will partner up with young people; making elevated beds so they can work at home
- vii. Cheri Ebaugh – Community Health Forum May 23rd at Carroll Community College on Stroke Awareness
- viii. Caren Jagoda – CCYSB is closed for a plumbing emergency; still providing services
- ix. Marni McGarry – launching our Eagle Community Center – looking for a warehouse type place in and around Westminster for sale or rent

d. Community Spotlight – Jared Welsh – Suits for Success

- i. Shared PowerPoint presentation
- ii. Housed at the Cranberry Mall
- iii. Men’s attire for the client needing a professional look for job placement for those in need

2. Approval of March Meeting Minutes

- a. Jenny Graybill motion to approve; Tony Roman seconded; minutes approved, no opposition

3. Presentation to COC Co-Chair Tammy Black - Celene Steckel

4. Vote to Approve transition of COC Co-chair

- a. **Stephanie Halley** – CEO of Westminster Rescue Mission
- b. **Addiction Healing Center and Mission Food Program** – need to be integrated into the community; work together to make work easier
- c. **Formal vote to approve new Co-Chair. Approved.**

5. Outreach Update – Mike Clavin

- a. **Resource Fair** – went well; 32 vendors; handed out 135 cards to participants; free haircuts and breakfast served

6. Shelter Services - Jenny Graybill and Samantha Brong

- a. **Night by Night** – 64 total served; 97% utilization rate; perm housing 4/24, 17% exited to perm housing; 1 went to Rapid rehousing, 1 to family, 2 to friends of family, 7 went to adult only shelter, and 1 to a substance abuse facility
- b. **Adult Only** – 35 served; 94% utilization rate; perm housing had 100%; 1 exited with a VASH voucher; 4 to rapid rehousing
- c. **Needs based list** – night by night never a needs-based list; adult only has 12 people on the list; family shelter has 7 on the list
- d. **Family Shelter** – 8 households served; 11 adults and 18 children; 100% utilization rate; 100% exited to perm housing with as VASH voucher
- e. **Street Outreach** – 19 people served with no one exiting the program

7. Citizen Services Update – Celene Steckel

a. Job openings in Citizen Services

1. HMIS Coordinator
2. LMB Manager
3. Housing Stability Coordinator
4. LCT Coordinator – hired Maria Lowry, but waiting to start on May 25th

b. Updates – NOFA score – highest score we have ever received

1. Received access to a bonus – additional \$20k
2. Finally received information about last years NOFA, and new NOFA is coming out and due soon

c. Housing –

1. ESG funding
2. ERAP funding ending June 30, 2023

d. Seniors on the Go Expo

1. September 13th
2. More info coming out and being sent to vendors

8. Domestic Violence – Liz Davorean - Springboard

- a. Served 15 clients in April: 2 successful clients
- b. Increase in LAP calls – 39 calls

9. Health Department Update -Amy Baker

- a. Hiring for peer support specialists
- b. Nope to Dope Walk on May 20th – 10am-12noon at Westminster City Park; 11am is Softball game law enforcement vs recovery community
- c. Annual First Responder Appreciation Luncheon on May 24th – looking for people from the recovery community to deliver lunches to first responders
- d. Risky Business is coming up on June 27th
- e. PATH program – Mike and Jen, no waitlist, for adults over 18 with serious or persistent mental disorders who are homeless or experiencing homelessness
- f. Permanent Housing program – transitioning to HSP
- g. Maggie Kunz – finally added a button to our Health Department homepage if you want to request Health Department to be at your event
- h. End of the public health emergency – vaccine clinics still open, test kits still available, Go Vax number has transitioned to 211; Medicaid check in to make sure your information is up to date and do not lose your coverage

10. Data Committee – Celene

- a. Reviewed returns to homelessness – one of the areas we scored poorly on
- b. Next meeting is June 1
- c. Review the narrative answers vs the data that HUD uses to score this measure; returns are 8% at 6 months and 12% at 12 months, HUD's target is 10%

11. Youth Updates

- a. **Youth Homelessness Subcommittee** – meeting on pause until July
- b. **Youth Action Board** – met with Zion and Sarah and looking forward to continuing to engage and support them
 1. Still have funds available for stipends and food for meetings and trainings

2. YAB executive team does receive hourly compensation for the work that they put in to the YAB
- c. **Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project** – still looking to apply and due June 27th; must submit their own video; Billy Lyve helping create a video to submit for grant
- d. **CCPS Youth Services – shared information on Homeless students to-date this year 2022-2023**
 1. As of May 30, 2023 (146) students have been identified as homeless, up 18 students from last month. This is a cumulative/running report with the exception, if a student has withdrawn from CCPS (i.e., home schooling, private school, moved out of county, etc.), they have been removed from the chart.
 2. American Rescue Plan – expires on September 30th; received extension to go through September 2024; funds to help youth with:
 - Tutoring
 - Counselling
 - Clothing and personal supplies
 - School supplies
 - School based fees and registrations
 - Community based fees and registrations
 - Emergent hotels

12. Harm Reduction Training – Rebecca Rigney

- a. **Shared PowerPoint presentation**

13. Additional Announcements

- a. **Tammy Black** – Access Carroll has a couple of providers that are going through their certification for HEP C management and treatment
- b. **Results of COC Co-Chair vote** – Stephanie Halley has been voted in as new COC Co-Chair
- c. **Jacqueline** – NAMI Carroll County – public meeting Thursday 6-7:30pm at Exploration Commons; how mobile crisis teams actually work
- d. **New resource** – Care Coordination Services INC – out of Baltimore, company acts as a payee for a person on SSDI or SSI; \$52/month service
- e. **Amy Baker** – Overdose Vigil – Thursday at 7pm at St. John’s Portico
- f. **Jamie Keller** – partnering with the Farmers Market, nonprofit table on May 20th, taking fresh food donations and monetary donations at the Hospital and Hampstead as well
- g. **United Way drive thru Food distribution Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm in Taneytown**

Next Scheduled CoC Meeting (IN-PERSON) @ Exploration Commons – September 12, 2023 – 9:30am to 11:30am

