

All Chicago

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program

MINUTES

DATE 9-22-16

START TIME 9:45AM

MEETING CALLED BY	Jeri Linas
NOTE TAKER	Elizabeth Perez & Tremel Daniel
ATTENDEES	<p>Present: Consuella Brown(All Chicago), Alicia Vega(All Chicago), Elizabeth Perez(All Chicago), Josei Lynne Paul(Chicago House), Christine Haley(Corporation for Supportive Housing), Teresa Cortas(Covenant House IL.), Alaina Duca(Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)), John Cheney Egan(Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)), Maura McCauley(Department of Family & Support Services (DFSS)), Andrea Durbin(Illinois Collaboration on Youth (ICOY)), Sol Flores(La Casa Norte), Gordon Vance(National Runaway Safeline), Jeri Linas(Teen Living Programs), Tedd Peso(The Night Ministry), Flora Koppel(Unity Parenting & Counseling), Ellen Ray(Employment Taskforce), Stephanie Sideman (CSH), Lewis Warrock (Center on Halstead), Carlos R. Dejesus (Heartland Human Care Services), Doug Schen Kelberg (CCH), Becca Hofrichter(Center on Halstead), Candy Malina(Threshold), Alaina Duca (DCFS)</p> <p>Absent: Dave Thomas(All Chicago), Molly Burke (CPS), Christine Achre(Primo Center for Women & Children)</p>

Agenda topics

INTRODUCTIONS & WELCOME	Jeri welcomed the group and asked everyone to introduce themselves. Jeri reminded the group regarding the goal of this group and YHDP. This group's role is to inform HUD via the YHDP process that Chicago is ready and capable in addressing a coordinated response to end Youth Homelessness.
REVIEW OF MINUTES	The group reviewed the notes. No corrections were made to the notes taken from September 7, 2016.
SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES	<p>Youth Advisory Board (YAB) Alicia shared with the group that the subcommittee has met and roles and responsibilities were established. The group also discussed the benefit of participating in the Youth Advisory Board and formal roles within the CoC. Currently, a job description and application are being created. These documents will ensure a comprehensive array of youth participate. Once Youths have been selected, a 3 week foundation will begin. Afterwards, monthly meetings will be held and will be introduced as formal members of the Chicago Task Force on Youth Homeless. The subcommittee also discussed the relationship between the Lived Experience Commission and Youth Advisory. The subcommittee anticipate that 1-2 inter-generation events will be organized to invite both for an inter-generation learning experience. The subcommittee discussed the YAB will have 10-15 members age range from 16 to 24 years old. The subcommittee has been discussing areas for support such as stipends, childcare and transportation. The subcommittee has also invited other groups (e.g. Chicago Freedom School Illinois Caucus for Adolescent Health and Mikva Challenge) to share their perspective. The group is currently scheduling their upcoming poll which may occur in the 1-2nd week of October. They also plan to have 3 consecutive meetings in October.</p> <p>Community-Wide Stakeholder Convening Flora shared with the group that a location has been secured. Chase will be available for October 25th from 8:30 to 10:30am. The subcommittee is planning on having a panel and also distributing pledge cards to attendees to create community buy in. If you have additional stakeholders you wish to be included in the invite, please contact Consuella Brown. Suggestions were made to invite Tom Dart from the Juvenile Justice, a representative from the adult Correctional System and Greg Harris. The subcommittee is also seeking a national representative to speak at the convening. If you have any additional ideas, please contact Consuella.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">NOFA FOCUS</p>	<p>The goal of this group is to educate people on youth homelessness and a call to action. This NOFA allow for an opportunity to discuss gaps and innovations. Clarification was asked whether the NOFA included parenting youth, which it does. John shared that DCFS has opened Family Advocacy Centers which serve families that have not entered the foster care system and can be a useful resource. John will share names with All Chicago to be included. Once gaps have been identified, the group will have to determine ways to address them keeping in mind that current programs will not be funded/expanded. This NOFA requires continuums to be creative. Consuella discussed the Guide provided in the material and All Chicago's proposal on creating 3 new subcommittees that will meet 2-3 times in October to create the narratives over the following areas: Innovation, Coordinated Entry and Needs Assessment. All Chicago will draft responses for other sections and will use a similar process to the NOFA to create narratives. The group discussed each of these subcommittees and proposed data/tools that each subcommittee should take into account. Below are ideas proposed on the different subcommittees</p> <p><u>Innovation</u> The group discussed models that are currently missing from our system. The group discussed Mental Health for Youth, programs for youth when discharged from DCFS, and connections with employment. The group recommended to review learning lessons from Homeworks and EVHI to understand the housing need and quantify. Other resources may be HMIS and CSH conference. It was also recommend to review Ryan White and RHY numbers for diversity and characteristics of Youth. It was mentioned that Health and Housing currently has a proposal for a mobile unit for Youth.</p> <p><u>Coordinated Entry (CE)</u> Christine provided a brief presentation over the Youth CE. Currently, in the process of rolling CE for all HUD CoC funded Youth programs. Christine shared a handout and directed to page 4 that this subcommittee can address access entry points. Discussion about CPS' participation in CE and challenges with parental consent. The group discussed certain challenges over RRH/PSH eligibility. This group will have to show efficacy and how youth move onto the 4 domains that HUD has indicated would like to see youth move forward.</p> <p><u>Needs Assessment (NA)</u> This group will review any current needs assessment such as the one developed by the homeless youth prevention funding project. Jeri participated in a webinar and will share information. Other resources include a street study done by CCH, the CCH Law Project and data from the Voices of Youth Count by Chapin Hall.</p> <p>The preliminary draft will be due by the week of November 7th. This document will be shared with interested parties and provide feedback. The group will review the final draft by the week of November 21st. All Chicago aims to have the NOFA submitted by November 28th (3 days before the deadline).</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;">NEXT MEETING DATES</p>	<p>Upcoming Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YHDP Meeting - October 13, 2016 at Heartland Alliance (208 S LaSalle). • Community-Wide Stakeholder Convening – October 25, 2016 • YHDP Meeting – To be scheduled for October 27th or 28th to debrief about the Community-Wide Stakeholder meeting. All Chicago will send additional information in the upcoming week.
<p>ADJOURNMENT:</p>		<p>MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:</p>
<p>11:00am</p>	<p>Elizabeth Perez & Tremel Daniel</p>	