

Faith Community Committee

PASADENA PARTNERSHIP TO END HOMELESSNESS

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday March 17, 2015

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday April 21, 9am

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of minutes
3. CES and VI-SPDAT Training
Ryan Izell and Sieglinde Von Deffner, Union Station

CES- assisting people with the highest need to access housing resources

History

Old standard- people gained resources on a first come first serve basis, those who had the capacity and organization to apply for resources were best served

New standard- people go through CES which allows for those with the highest need to be linked efficiently to the resource, more effectively connects resources to those with less capacity to organize self to obtain resources

Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS)- electronic LA-wide database of persons and resources used by provider agencies, includes history of resources used by client, churches/volunteers have the ability to be trained in HMIS and join the system through confidentiality agreements however this decision for individual churches etc. to join needs to go through Anne Lansing and will be addressed in next meeting

County Continuum of Care (County COC)- both Pasadena's HMIS and LASHA's (Los Angeles Homeless Service Agency) HMIS are both included in the same organizing database going forward

VI-SPDAT- assessment to connect homeless persons to resources

- Entire community and agencies utilizing CES will be able to share information through the consent form from the client included in the VISPDAT
- Please see CES Training Manual for information on discussion and training

Chronic Homelessness- 4 or more periods of homelessness in past 3 years or homeless for 12 months consecutively WITH a disabling condition (May be verified at a later date when accessing resources)

4. Homeless Assistance Training for Religious Leaders Event
 - Partner with San Gabriel Consortium on Homelessness
 - Attend November event
 - subcommittee- Joe Dan Sofia and Matt
5. Plans for future FCC meetings
 - Training and Questions with 211 Specialist in April meeting
 - Outreach Team Training
 - Review of Resource List
6. Recruiting other committee members
7. Other Business
 - Acronym List- Sofia and Cori to meet and assemble
 - Than is a first time father of a 5 week old! Congratulations!
 - Passageways- closing at the end of March and services referrals are now shifted to CES

*additional notes from this meeting can be sent to mercy@gracepasadena.org with subject "FCC 3/17/15" and will be included in archived copy of meeting minutes.

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