

Pasadena Partnership to End Homelessness

Faith Community Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 17th

1. **Welcome and introductions**
2. **Approval of minutes - April 19th**
 1. Homeless Snapshot - looking for volunteers from faith communities to give 2-3 hours
 2. 2016 Road Map
 3. Check in on subcommittees to see when they are meeting
 4. Motion to approve minutes - Gary Talbert
 5. Seconded - Terry Bright
 6. Approved!
3. **Review of FC Purpose Statement - One Pager**
 1. "As part of the Pasadena Partnership to End Homelessness, the Faith Community Committee aims to facilitate collaboration for and support of initiatives among faith-based agencies in their efforts to address homelessness in Pasadena."
 2. We can do better with number 4 - ensure that all future representatives understand the purpose of the committee- support causes that have evidence supporting them.
 3. Jill Shook suggested a quiz will help us learn where everyone is with evidence based and best practices, and get us all on the same page.
 4. This is a place that we use to learn about the state of homelessness, learn about issues and the best ways to address them.
 5. **Action Item** - What are the other committees of the COC? Is there a business committee? Dan to follow up with Anne.
 6. Jill suggested to survey businesses to see how they react to the homeless
 1. **Action Item:** How to gather data? - Jill will create a mock survey with a couple of questions.
 7. We brought several partners to meetings to share what are the best practices to end homelessness in Pasadena - 211, Police department, Imagine LA
 1. We have to know what the processes are
 2. The issue is there are not enough units - what are the solutions
 3. There is a balanced between evidence based and trying new things, as a committee we have to commit to maintaining the balance
4. **Updates from Committee Members**
 1. **Elizabeth House - creating a program for new Alumni Center**
 1. Also, doing a case management study on 300 women and gathering data
 2. Offering an anger management and domestic violence group and soon a recovery group
 3. Building support for the women, education, support they need
 4. Partnering with people in the city for internships
 5. Created social media and blog for opportunities
 6. Obstacles are that they need wrap around services - therapy, financial help, career development, housing
 2. **Lake Avenue -**
 1. **Sunday Community Meal** - for homeless and low income people. Had CES Navigators come out and help people get in the system and connect them to Union Station and other resources. 3300 people since July 2015
 2. **Center for individuals to come in and get the resources they need. Had 570 people walk in**
 3. **Homelessness prevention program** - provide funding for people facing eviction, rental assistance. Since July 2015 had 66 (total of \$71,000) people approved. Comes from congregation funding. Has a Care Deacon Ministry - members from church work with each individual and help make sure they prevent this from happening again.
 3. **Door of Hope**
 1. Runs rapid rehousing for families in Pasadena. Housed 4 families so far in May. Work closely with FSC and Family Center from Union Station. Typically residents are between

rapid rehousing and permanent supportive housing. Prepare families for market housing. Growing population with families that are struggling with a lot of trauma, but have not become homeless.

2. Family - legally married or single parent, one child under 18
4. **Grace Pasadena**
 1. **Local Outreach in Memorial Park** - 10-20 people on a Sunday morning. Connected with CES Navigators
 2. **Partnerships with Door of Hope, John Muir High School Tutoring, partnering with foster care groups.**
5. **Jill Shook**
 1. Chris Holdings Advisory Board for Housing and Homelessness
 2. Working with pastors working directly with homeless
6. **Pasadena Presbyterian Church**
 1. **Sunday meals** - 80-100 people every Sunday
 2. Have 3 language groups - Korean, Spanish and English -
 3. Korean congregation - active at union station serving
 4. Spanish congregation - New pastor is supportive of homeless issues, he has a Program called Take 6. Invite new pastor to FCC - Pastor Walter
7. **PAZ Naz** - having new pastor come this Sunday. 35 year old woman.
 1. Church at the Park
8. **Salvation Army** - losing core officer. Also have a house for somewhere for men to live while they are waiting for permanent housing. It is for men who have graduated from the ARC that are employed and they can stay 18 months-2 years. Has a new program rolling out to help 12 families or individuals get housing, pay rent and provide other supportive resources
9. **Pasadena Community Community Christian Fellowship** - leased a 8 bedroom house for men transitioning back to society from Salvation Army.
10. **Donna** - works with a group of unaccompanied women. Providing staff with Trauma Informed Care Training.
5. **Review FCC 2016 Road Map - Table for Next Meeting**
6. **Reports from Partnerships Meetings - Table for Next Meeting**
7. **Other Business**
 1. **Adopt a Unit - Table for Next Meeting**
 2. **Communication to FCC Members - Dan will be using Mail Chimp. Make sure he has your contact information.**
8. **Announcements**
 1. **Forum for District 5 at Lake Avenue on May 24th 7pm-9pm**
 1. **Ask questions pertaining to the work they will do with housing and the homelessness issues.**
 2. **Local Funding Meeting on June 7th at Pasadena Housing Department**
9. **Next Meeting Date: Tuesday June 21st**
10. **Adjourn**