

Joint Faith Community Committee and Planning & Research Committee Meeting

MINUTES

June 21, 2016

Faith Community Committee Members in Attendance

Andrew Fike, Door of Hope; Anna Jacobsen, City of Pasadena; Anne Lansing, City of Pasadena; Cori Page, Grace Pasadena Church; Dan Davidson, Rose City Church; Gary Talbert, Salvation Army; Gene Terpstra, Pasadena Presbyterian; Jhoana Hirasuna, Salvation Army; Joe Colletti, Urban Initiatives; Kerwin Manning, Pasadena Church; Michael Watkins, Pasadena Partnership Board; Sofia Herrera, Urban Initiatives; Than Veltman, Lake Avenue Church.

Planning & Research Committee Members in Attendance

Andrew Fike, Door of Hope; Anna Jacobsen, City of Pasadena; Anne Lansing, City of Pasadena; Cori Page, Grace Pasadena Church; Dan Davidson, Rose City Church; Gary Talbert, Salvation Army; Jessica Petrass, Hillside Youth Moving On; Jhoana Hirasuna, Salvation Army; Joe Colletti, Urban Initiatives; Michael Watkins, Pasadena Partnership Board; Ryan Izell, Union Station Homeless Services; Sofia Herrera, Urban Initiatives; Terry Bright, Elizabeth House.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May Planning & Research and May Faith Community Committee meetings were read and approved.

CoC-Wide Systems Performance Measures

Presenter: Joe Colletti

These are new as of last year, and part of HUD's new direction for the Continuum of Care (CoC) program. These seven systems performance measures are being implemented nationally as well as locally (although #6 is not currently being implemented as they have not been approved by HUD to serve this population). By presenting these measures, HUD is saying committees should have a role in reviewing the data and making recommendations to the CoC board.

Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

- Goal: to see a reduction in the average length of time persons remain homeless
- For high-performing communities, HUD would like to see this length of time reduce by 10% annually
- The idea is to use rapid re-housing dollars to get people into housing as quickly as possible

Measure 2: Extent to Which Persons who Exit Homelessness Return to Homelessness

- Tracks the number of people placed into permanent housing from a program that then return to homelessness
- Goal: less than 10%, preferably less than 5% return to homelessness

Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

- This is measured both through the Point-in-Time count (total population as well as subpopulations), as well as an annual count which tallies all the people who use emergency shelters, transitional housing, or safe havens, at any point in the year through HMIS
- HUD's recommends communities to base solutions to homelessness on this data (i.e. funding decisions)

Measure 4: Employment and Income Growth for Homeless Persons in CoC Program-Funded Project

- Housing First approach focuses on housing people first before providing case management, this measure looks at how effective the case management piece is at increasing employment and income

Measure 5: Number of Persons who Become Homeless for the First Time

- Effectiveness of street outreach team at helping people avoid homelessness altogether

Measure 6: Homelessness Prevention and Housing Placement of Persons Defined by Category 3 of HUD's Homeless Definition in CoC Program-funded Projects

- N/A (not approved to serve Category 3, no CoCs are)

Measure 7: Successful Placement from Street Outreach and Successful Placement in Retention of Permanent

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- Housing**
- This is a new measure that tracks the percent of people who are encountered by street outreach workers move into temporary and permanent housing
 - For those who went into programs, what percent moved into permanent housing

Review of FCC Purpose Statement	Presenter: Dan Davidson
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Conclusion
 Many of these goals are very challenging, especially in the S. California housing environment. Despite this, these are much better measures at touching on the issues that effect whether someone stays homeless or not. Only number 4 is specific to HUD CoC projects, the remaining of the measures apply to all programs entered into HMIS meaning they effect Pasadena CoC's ability to get homeless service dollars. This really means that we as a CoC need to reach out to these programs and engage them in embracing best practices.

Action Items:	Person Responsible:
Add to the FCC Roadmap in helping the Faith Community and the City engage with these measures and best practices to end homelessness in Pasadena.	Faith Community Committee

Review of FCC 2016 Road Map	Presenter: Dan Davidson
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Homeless Count Planning
 Sofia reminded us that the main task of the FCC is for each agency to recruit about 6 volunteers. Anna is working on a new map to incorporate a new zone. Sofia will follow up with us again in September, but informed us that there will be a need for more volunteers as it will be an official HUD count year. Approximately 120 to 130 volunteers will be needed.

Homeless Count Snapshot Model
 Sofia and her team are working on launching a new Snapshot Count in September. There will be a need for 20 to 25 volunteers. FCC once again can be active by recruiting volunteers.

Religious Leaders Training
 Scheduled for Tuesday September 20th from 6 to 8 pm at Lake Avenue Church. Cory, Than, and Sofia are working on this project and will update us. FCC needs to spread the word to religious leaders and encourage them to attend the training. On a side note Dan announced that Cory is stepping down from her role with FCC as lead on organizing the Religious Leaders Training and as secretary.

Check in on upcoming team meetings

Action Items:	Person Responsible:
Recruit volunteers for Homeless Count and Snapshot count	FCC members

Update on Landlord Outreach	Presenter: Anne Lansing
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Anne informed us that the vacancy rate currently is 2.5%. Currently working on an outreach to landlords campaign. Anne will attend final project presentation next month and she will report to Dan. Once the plan comes out it will have to be modified to resonate with the faith based community.

Action Items:	Person Responsible:
For each faith based organization to find one rental unit.	Faith based leaders and FCC members

Announcements & Other Items

Jessica Petrass from Youth Moving On invited everyone to their 3 year celebration Wednesday June 22 from 12-3pm

Next Meeting

Faith Community Committee - Tuesday, August 16 at 9 :00 am

Planning & Research Committee - TBD