TEMS CAC Meeting Minutes

Date/ Time: Oct 12, 2020, 6pm-7:30pm

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Member attending: Shannel Janzen, Linda Sliva, Leandra Shelton, Tony Palagruti

LIHI Staff attending: Josh Castle (Director of Community Engagement & Advocacy), Tyjana Campbell (Case Manager). Joe Perva (Village Organizer), Lidya Stamper (Community Outreach Coordinator)

City Staff attending: Allyson Griffith, Matthew Jorgenson, Steve Butts, Councilmember Catherine Ushka

Community members attending: Randy Nix, Carla

Note Taker: Tyjana Campbell

Topics:

1. Introductions

2. Discussion of Roles

• Minute Taker: Tyjana Campbell

Chair: Josh Castle

- 3. Review and approval of September meeting minutes.
 - a. Not everyone has had the opportunity to review last month's meeting minutes. Will approve once the board has the time to review.
- 4. Village Management Report: Joe Perva
 - a. Washer and dryers are up and running. There are a total of three washer and dryers for the residents' use.
 - b. Community room is secure and is coming together.
 - c. Second round of Covid 19 testing, testing is done to be proactive. Thirty-four out of fifty-two residents were tested. The remaining of the villages have either been tested by their PCP, some went to outside source due to their work schedules.
 - d. Set up with the Health Department to get residents tested every three weeks to be proactive, keeping staff and resident's health.
 - e. Report that everything is going well at the village.
 - f. Spoke about the last volunteer opportunity, strategies used to keep the volunteer and residents at a social distance while completing the repairs to the village.
- 5. Volunteer opportunity: Lidya Stamper
 - a. Reported that painting party went well did have to stop earlier than expected due to the weather.
 - b. Painting party October 16th 9am- 3 pm, two three hour shift, up to 12 volunteers, and lunch and snacks provided.
 - c. Lidya spoke on how you can volunteer at TEMS.
- 6. Case management report / resident outcomes : Tyjana Campbell

- a. Since last meetings discussion, we have started using only the status from TEMS 2. As of this week we have 52 residents 72 unduplicated, all working with a case manager, 9 that has been housed and one that is in the process of getting housed.
- b. Clients are engaged in substance abuse / Mental Health using Northwest Integrated Health, Pierce Health department and other agencies in the community. Our goal is to work with the residents on the barriers in order to gain and keep stable housing.
- c. Explained what is "Housing ready" and some of the different barriers when getting the clients ready. In order to be housing ready individuals will need to have identification card, social security card and some form of income. Once they have those we start focusing on getting them into stable housing. There are different programs for individuals with no income or on a fixed income like Housing Essential Needs (HEN) program. MCD also has property that is income based.
- d. Explained different avenues taken to get someone housing ready, working with other social health services; obtaining birth certificates (In and out of state), thinking outside the box when working to obtain residents Id's; SS card; etc.
- 7. Updates from the City of Tacoma: Allyson Griffith and Matthew Jorgenson
 - a. Currently in the middle of discussing the plans for the new tiny village on Orchard and 6th.
 - b. Reports having a town hall meeting last week regarding the upcoming plan for the new village.
- 8. Questions / Concerns
- a. If they were not in any social services program what would be alternative ways of getting the information.
- b. Linda had questions about how often are the residents being tested, what about the ones that did not get tested, and what is the plan moving forward.
- c. Several questions about the logistics and funding the new village, questions directed to city of Tacoma and the council members.
- d. Donations for the TEMS village- Lidya is the contact person. If there are any questions about donations she would be happy to help.
- e. Concerns about the board members and the role regarding the CAC meeting. Would like the board to be present, the importance of their role, and what steps are needed to be in place moving forward to have CAC members involved in the monthly meetings.