Winnebagoland Housing Coalition

December 5, 2018
Hooper Community Center Basement
36 Broad St
Oshkosh, WI 54901

Attendance: Kay Hinton, Jordan Dvorak, Susan Tucker, Melissa Meidan, Allison Knautz, Kaitlyn Esula, Shelly Johnson, Courtney Messplay, Amanda Hammond, Morgan Olson, Al Rolph, Stephanie Nagel, Neil Romenesko and Sandra Reeves.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and carried to approve the November 2018 minutes.

Discussion:

Presenters for 2019: We discussed having 2019 presentations by Juvenile Intake, UW-Ext, Christine Ann Center, Winnebago County Income Maintenance, Sober House, Prism, Lighthouse, Oshkosh Transit with ECWRPC, and the City Of Oshkosh (affordable housing).

Specific projects our group would like to work on/support: Three projects were discussed: 1) protective class for Section 8 participants. Milwaukee and Dane County have Section 8 participants as a protective class, 2) Support of the Day by Day warming shelter being a year long facility, and 3) Transportation access.

Reports:

Case Managers Network –Next meeting is 12/12/18. Network meets at 9:00 am in the Salvation Army building. If interested in attending, please contact Al Rolph.

Shelter Count Numbers- For the Last Wednesday in November (11/28/2018)

Father Carr's: 16 men, 8 mothers with children, 20 children, 8 single women. Total= 52 Advocap Transitional: transitional housing full with 10 people.

Day by Day: 20 individuals

Christine Ann Center: 33 individuals in shelter. 20 single individuals, 4 mothers, and 9 children.

Balance of State Update-

- 1) On November 27, 2018, the Wisconsin Interagency Council on Homelessness released a plan to end Homelessness. This is the first time WI had a statewide plan to end homelessness.
- 2) Democratic Rules of Order, Policy against Criminalization of Homelessness, and Health Care Enrollment and Education Policy were accepted as policy.
- 3) BOS had a meeting with an attorney to draft new bylaws. Decision to keep the elected board in place until May 2019 and work thru the bylaw issues.

Point in Time-

Point in Time (PIT) count is January 23, 2019 at 11 pm to 5 am. Volunteers (in groups of 3) go out in the community and look for homeless people. If you are interested in volunteering for the PIT, please contact Sandra Reeves for 1st shift (11 pm- 2 am) or 2nd shift (2am- 5 am). On January 24th from 9am to 11 am, a PIT resource fair is available with free breakfast and haircuts provided. If you would like a resource booth, please contact Amanda Hammond.

Agency Announcements:

ADVOCAP Homeless: No updates.

ADVOCAP Bridges Program: In November, Bridges assisted 28 Households totaling 72 people. These numbers are lower than prior years.

Day By Day Warming Shelter: The shelter is full most nights. Four brand new homeless people came to the shelter last night.

Christine Ann Center: Rozlyn Fox is no longer with CAC. She took a position with another agency as of Friday.

Legal Action: No update. **Fair Housing:** No update

Father Carr's: One family is occupying the new family unit and the other family unit is open. If you know of anyone needing a family unit, please apply by calling Father Carr's.

Salvation Army: The last toy store sign up is December 11th from 9-5:30 pm. All 105 families were adopted. 500-600 families signed up for all the programs. This year they have more teen gifts.

Oshkosh/Winnebago County Housing Authority: Waite Rug Place's wait list is now open. 56 (one & two bedroom) units will start being available as of December 2018. Waite Rug is located at: 300 E Custer Avenue, Oshkosh. Apply online at www.ohawcha.org. We are still working on a plan for a 1st and 2nd shift daycare. WCHA has 2 Oshkosh houses for sale: 902 W 4th St (3 Bedrooms/ 1 Bath) and 229 Fulton Ave (4 Bedrooms/ 2 Bath). Please go to First Weber Reality for more information. Job opening: Maintenance Mechanic part time. HUD REAC inspection is scheduled for Court Tower February 2019.

Adjourn: A motion made and carried to adjourn.

Next Meeting: Wednesday February 6th, 2018.

Please contact Jordan Dvorak jordand@advocap.org if you are unable to attend. Please also submit future agenda items or ideas to Jordan.

Mission – The Winnebagoland Housing Coalition will maximize resources to identify and address affordable housing needs in our community.

Kay Hinton

Winnebagoland Housing Coalition Secretary