



CECIL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Cecil County Inter-Agency Council on Homelessness

Minutes

12/14/16

Attendees: Tahia Glanton, CCHD; Marianne Redding, CCHD; Shelly Gullede, CCHD; Julie Wright, CCHD; Tifnie Criner, Perry Point VA; Shenise Daughtry, Meeting Ground, Inc.; Winifred Tan, Union Hospital ED; Lisa Smith, On Our Own of Cecil County, Inc.; Kyle Longeway, CCPS

Gwen gave an update on board membership: Pat Marks is no longer with Mary Randall Center (the plan is to wait until her position is filled and hopefully have that person take her position) and Mary Ellen McCandless is no longer the ESG representative. Those two along with the two prior openings leaves a total of four vacancies. Gwen emailed the board interest form to the group, prior to the meeting and received one completed form from Amy Baumgardner (ADRC Peer Advocate Supervisor). Those in attendance voted on and approved Amy as a board member. Mike Brandon was a suggestion, but Gwen is concerned that he may be too busy to attend regularly. This leaves 2 openings. Please have anyone interested complete the form and send back to Julie Wright. We will be accepting completed interest forms all the way up until the next meeting scheduled for January 18th.

There is a PIT Planning Meeting scheduled for immediately following this meeting at 3:00 pm in the Cecil County Health Department Auditorium. The survey will be conducted sometime within the last week of January. An exact date will be decided at the meeting this afternoon.

Social Determinants Goals & Objectives were reviewed. Between 9/1/15 and 10/28/16, 85 veterans were identified as homeless on put on the by name list. Forty-five exited during that period as well. Of those 45, 78% went to permanent destinations, 9% went to temporary destinations, 11% went to institutional destinations, and 2% were "other." This workgroup continues to meet monthly.

Regarding the poverty goal, information is still being collected on Bridges to Opportunity that Allegany County has implemented. Pertaining to objectives 5 & 6 regarding emergency assistance and law enforcement liaisons, Mike Brandon has been working on a project that he expects to be operational in early 2017.

Regarding the furniture bank for people getting back into stable housing, Gwen is trying to follow up with Laurie Loveless since their group was trying to work on that.

Announcements & Other Updates:

Shenise informed the group that the rotating shelter has only been running about half full this season.

Harford County will also have a rotating shelter this winter beginning on January 15th. It is first come, first serve, and individuals should report to 1010 Gateway Road, Edgewood, MD.

There will be a Resource Network Event at the health department on 1/19/2017 from 12-1:30. RSVP to Julie Wright.

There is a Toys for Tots event at Elkton Methodist Church tomorrow (12/15/16) from 6-8pm.

Lisa Smith mentioned that April Foster can sometimes be a resource for specialty items that homeless individuals need. We will try to invite her and Phil Meekins to a future meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 18th at 1:30 pm, in the Cecil County Health Department Auditorium.