**Committee to End Youth Homelessness  
Minutes  
July 8, 2019 1:00pm-2:30pm**

**First United Methodist Church ● 203 Wisconsin Ave, Madison, WI 53703**

**Mission:**

* Prevent and end homelessness among all youth in Dane Co. ( including Transition Aged Youth (TAY) ages 18-24)
* Determine scope of youth homelessness in the community through accurate data collection
* Develop plan to end youth homelessness based on the scope of need
* Build stronger connections with child welfare and criminal justice agencies
* Ensure youth needs are met through Coordinated Entry System (CES)
* Develop and provide technical assistance to Youth Action Board (YAB)

**Attendees:** Sarah Lim, Rachel Hernandez, Torrie Kopp Mueller, Allison Grant, Robin Sereno, Sawyer Johnson

* **Introductions**
* **Updates from last month's meeting**
* **Call for new Committee Chair (This will be the last month that I can commit to Chairing the Committee)**
  + Allison is willing to co-chair and will ask around for someone to work with her, Please contact Alison if you are interested in being a co-chair with her
  + YAB is meeting and moving forward on some things surrounding the youth drop-in center also working on infrastructure of YAB
* **Youth Count – Sarah Lim**
  + When will we do the Youth count? One night or anyone experiencing instability during the report period. How often do we do the count? Yearly?
  + Who to count? Last count: youth ages 12-24, experiencing homelessness or housing instability, HUD guidance says to take out those who indicate they are staying in a potentially permanent location
  + How do we reach these youth? Involves more planning time, last count worked with non-profit an Dane County agencies that work with you, staff decided who to ask the questions to based on what they know about folks
  + How should the survey be administered? Self-administered? Do agency/volunteer need to ask questions? Electronic self-administered?
  + Do we want to change survey questions?
  + How do ensure that young people are involved in these decisions? Ensure youth are able to engage entirely in the dialogue.
  + Went through this past year’s questionnaire and suggested updates to the questions as a 2nd draft for review by the YAB
  + Possibly do magnet events next year to go where people are gathered
  + Next year, train youth to administer the survey
  + What can we offer for compensation for youth completing the survey?
* Feedback on committee description
  + Torrie asked for feedback on this committee’s description as changes are being suggested for the by-laws so now is an ideal time to make updates.
  + Please let Torrie know if you have any suggested changes
* **Committee to End Youth Homelessness**

**Meets 2nd Monday of the Month 1-2:30 pm**

There must be at least two (2) people with lived experience of youth homelessness on this committee. Duties -Prevent and end homelessness among unaccompanied youth under age 18 and youth ages 18-24; Determine scope of youth homelessness in the community through accurate data collection; Develop plan to end youth homelessness based on the scope of need; build stronger connections with child welfare and criminal justice agencies; ensure youth needs are met through Coordinated Entry system; develop and provide technical assistance to Youth Action Board.

* **Youth CE Presentation and Dialogue – Torrie**
  + Reviewed the information Torrie provided
  + Decided that we will wait to see the results of the YHDP NOFA to inform our work going forward
  + Could provide training on developing relationships with youth and administering assessments