



## **Committee to End Youth Homelessness Minutes**

November 18, 2020 10:30am-12:00pm

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1. Attending: Alex DeSena, Allie Grant, Gloria Reyes, Greg Markle, Jani Koester, Melissa Mennig, Robin Sereno, Rodney Saunders Jr, Ron Burford, Sarah Lim, Shannon Stevens, Torrie Kopp-Mueller, Uly Williams
2. Select note taker: Allie Grant
3. Agenda Items
  - a. CEYH Update/Survey Results
    - i. Have not met since March 2020
    - ii. Torrie, Allie, Jani and Shannon have been meeting with HUD Technical Assistance up until October 2020
    - iii. Almost all CEYH members can meet monthly and are okay with combining committee with YHDP workgroup
    - iv. Allie will remain CEYH chair until YHDP cycle is over, and is open to being co-chair in 2021. No one has volunteered to be 2021 chair or co-chair, but multiple members would like to see someone from Briarpatch take a leadership role
  - b. YHDP Update/Application Prep
    - i. Torrie gave brief overview of YHDP, main points: Demonstration project includes time and funding to create a community plan with how to use funds, we estimate we would receive \$3million dollars of ESG funds dedicated to youth 24 and under that would be renewable with 25% match required, HUD is looking for communities that can demonstrate a need and a commitment to serving youth and including youth in CoC planning and funding decisions, strong emphasis on cross systems data sharing and collaboration
    - ii. Youth Action Board (YAB) has been inactive since March, need to restart YAB and plan for December meeting. Biggest areas to work on are compensation and recruitment. Opportunity for ESG-CV funds to be used for YAB, would likely need to re-join HSC and propose changes to HSC bylaws. Shannon and Robin said they would like to be involved.
    - iii. County in early planning stages of new mental health triage center, details could be included in application. We need to get more details on this, what age ranges

would they plan to serve? Are there plans for youth services? Allie emailed Casey Becker 2 weeks ago but did not hear back.

- iv. Last year we had to create an "artistic rendition" of our community's youth services. If we have to do that again this year, it would be great if someone with graphic design skills could volunteer to help? No volunteers during meeting
  - v. Housing Navigation has funds for move-in costs and rental arrears set aside for 18-24 year olds, we should include this in application.
  - vi. Opportunities for YHDP collaboration between County programs who serve populations vulnerable to homelessness like Independent Living Social Workers who work on building life skills with youth in foster care for more than 6 months up to age 17. If someone ages out of foster care they are eligible for services up until age 24 with Independent Living SW employed by Wisconsin Workforce Development Board. Youth Justice has new-ish position Youth Justice Coordinator that will begin case management services with at risk youth sometime soon. Rodney knows YJ Coordinator Sedic so he can connect. Allie will forward Rodney emails.
  - vii. UW Institute for Research on Poverty is working on a project that studies housing outcomes in WI, and seeks to compile housing data from social welfare programs, dept of corrections, and dept of public instruction. Patrick Duffie from ICA has said they are talking about giving State services access to HMIS. Would be great to include this in YHDP application. Robin and are interested in following up. Allie will email links to info.
  - viii. UW WEC had signed on to last year's YHDP application and agreed to perform evaluations, we need to reach out again and see if they will make another commitment.
  - ix. Torrie reported her and Tyler from Briarpatch are working on a survey to give to providers who they think should be involved in the YHDP
  - x. Connecting with housing developers about plans for more youth housing: OFS, Briarpatch, 3rd Sector(?), CommonWealth
  - xi. Group discussed potential 2021 Youth Count. Multiple members agreed we should try to complete a Youth Count in 2021, that we should try to collaborate with school districts better (Jani has brought subject to HEN and proposed a separate training for HEN), and we need to get youth input. Planning meeting should be scheduled before next month's CEYH meeting to get this going. Shannon and Uly volunteered to help with Youth Count planning, Greg volunteered Stephanie from OFS.
  - xii. Post meeting note: Allie plans to reach out to Urban Triage and Dane County Coalition of Black Service Providers to connect about YHDP.
4. Next meeting: December 16, 2020 10:30am-12:00pm
5. Action Items:
- a. Allie will email meeting minutes along with full 2019 YHDP application, 2019 YHDP application debrief and Doodle poll for Youth Count planning meeting.

- b. Attend 11/20/20 HSC Board meeting to advocate for ESG-CV funds to be used for YAB compensation - Melissa, Torrie, Sarah, and Allie planning to attend. Alex and Shannon may attend, Allie will send invite information.
- c. Gloria and Alex will start discussing how our community has had to adapt to serve youth during covid-19 pandemic.
- d. Sarah will follow up with Casey Becker at DCDHS about future mental health triage center.
- e. Rodney will follow up with Sedric, the Youth Justice Coordinator to talk about the YHDP and encourage him to attend future meetings.
- f. Sarah, Jani, and Robin volunteered to follow up with UW's Institute for Research on Poverty and their project to add housing data to state projects.
- g. Sarah and Robin volunteered to follow up with UW's Wisconsin Evaluation Collaborative (WEC) to ask for the same commitment they gave for our 2019 YHDP application
- h. Follow up with Uly about recent Committee to End Homelessness presentation on college homelessness/data/programs
- i. Connect with housing developers about updates or plans for more youth housing: OFS, Briarpatch, 3rd Sector(?), CommonWealth

**Commented [1]:** 11/19/20 emailed info for follow up to Sarah

**Commented [2]:** 11/19/20 emailed info for follow up to Sarah and Robin

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