



HSC Shelter Providers Committee

Wednesday, August 2nd, 2023 from 9:00am – 10:30am

Meeting held virtually on Zoom

Meeting ID: 847 3932 2544

Passcode: 644615

August 2023 Agenda

Facilitator: Fares Fares

Notetaker: N/A

1. Introductions

2. City & County updates

- a. County- RFPs being scored for housing navigation and RRH, doubled up contract negotiations are happening.
- b. City- Torrie and Sarah are on vacation.

3. Shelter utilization & other updates (Focus on Challenges)

a. Permanent Shelter

- i. In pre-design phase.
- ii. Looking into cost to have 24/7 shelter

b. Porchlight Men's Shelter

- i. One case of COVID. They are isolated.
- ii. Police calls down
- iii. 215 in shelter
- iv. Been assignments
- v. Surprised that numbers are so high on streets.
- vi. Are we seeing increased numbers because there are no requirements?

c. Salvation Army Women's Shelter

- i. 84-89 during extreme weather.
- ii. Been staying around 74.
- iii. If the gym isn't being used could we use the space for emergency for families?

d. Salvation Army Family Shelter

- i. Family shelter is moving to 90 days again in Sept with extensions.
- ii. Are there plans for warm hand offs if people can't find housing? If they are actively working with us, we will extend.
- iii. How many families are moving into housing within in 90-120 days? TSA will look into it.
- iv. Waitlist is 50 families.
- v. If families are exiting shelter can they directly connect them to Outreach for warm hand off in person meetings. Can use family room at Beacon.
- vi. Are there any other options to time limits? Asking for more resources to HHN? To expand rather than decreasing length of stays for families.

e. YWCA Family Shelter

- i. No one in attendance.

f. Healing House

- i. A couple of openings. Trying to bring a 17 with baby in to shelter. Brainstormed options.



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- g. **The Beacon**
 - i. First positive COVID case.
 - ii. Slightly higher police calls. Lots of people hanging out that aren't guests.
 - iii. Lots of new faces.
 - iv. 220-230 a day, about 4 families.
- h. **DAIS**
 - i. No one in attendance
- i. **Briarpatch**
 - i. Increase of youth due to family homelessness increase.
- j. **Safe Haven**
 - i. No one in attendance
- k. **Off the Square Club**
 - i. No one in attendance.
- l. **Outreach**
 - i. 80 people on their list
- 4. New Youth Day Shelter**
 - a. Urban Traige is running it on Gilman.
 - b. Day center isn't taking guests yet. But can do case management.
 - c. 17 ½-24 year olds can utilize.
- 5. Miscellaneous/walk-on items (as time allows)**
 - a. **Safe Families resource- Renee Garcia 608-478-3763 Extension 0, Intakes 1.**
 - b. ERI- Sarah Elswick-Hustad-
 - i. Help Folks with mental health conditions to apply for assistance with SSI and SSDI applications. 608-228-8284 or Elswick-Hustad@eri-wi.org.
 - ii. Does SSA still have a homeless liason? Not sure.
 - iii. Will check if she could present at membership meeting.
- 6. Next meeting**

Wednesday, 10/4/23 @ 9:00am