



HSC Shelter Providers Committee

Wednesday, April 5th, 2023 from 9:00am – 10:30am

Meeting held virtually on Zoom

Meeting ID: 847 3932 2544

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April 2023 Agenda

Facilitator: Fares Fares

Notetaker: Mac Byer

1. Introductions

Attendance: John Adams, Bridget Rogers, Sarah Lim, Fares Fares, Nici Hawkins, Linette Rhodes, Michael Moody, Aimee Baldocchi, Tahkaney Becknell, Sarah Elswick, Zach Stephen, Lucia Ledesma, Tara Barica, Meshan Adams, Ava Grotting, Brenda Konkel, Alicia, Takisha Jordan, Melissa Mennig

2. City & County updates

a. Permanent Shelter

- i. City is starting listening sessions on shelter pre-design
- ii. Questions regarding community engagement efforts if Truax Neighborhood
 1. Waiting for translation and for some details to be worked through.
 2. Language translation- Hmong and Spanish
- iii. Upcoming Community Engagement Sessions: May 9th- 5:30-7pm (Virtual), May 11 5:30-7pm (East Madison Community Center), May 17th 5:30-7pm (Hawthorne Library).

3. Shelter utilization & other updates

a. Permanent Shelter

- i. In pre-design and community engagement process.

b. Porchlight Men's Shelter

- i. Working on refining policies, 190-230 people a night

c. Salvation Army Women's Shelter

- i. 65-75 women a month, hired a bi-lingual shelter advocate for women's and family shelter

d. Salvation Army Family Shelter

- i. 35 families- full, family waitlist-54 families, 17 outside or in a car.

e. YWCA Family Shelter

- i. 8 families in shelter, 2 families just moved out.

f. Healing House

- i. No update- not in attendance.

g. The Beacon

- i. Average 180-200 people a day.
- ii. Lots of people and loud, but not many major incidents
- iii. Seeing a few people that need more help than The Beacon can offer.

h. DAIS

- i. No update- not in attendance.

i. Briarpatch

- i. No update- not in attendance.

j. Safe Haven

- i. Double their numbers- seeing up to 60 people a day. Working on filling crisis position.



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4. IQC Hotel Ending Protocol

- a. Melissa Mennig
 - i. IQC closing April 30th and referrals are ending April 17th.
 - ii. Working with shelters, Public Health on COVID mitigation strategies and practices within the shelter spaces.
 - iii. Concerns about people traveling to day center when they are feeling unwell.
 1. Melissa will circle back with Nici about cots or mats for floors.

5. Miscellaneous/walk-on items (as time allows)

- 1) Review the committee description for the Nominating and Governance Committee.
 - a. Do you feel your committee is still needed and should continue to operate as an HSC committee?
 - Yes, having the group convene and collaborate and supporting each other is important. Helpful to stay in loop. As a non-shelter provider, I find it very useful to hear updates on what shelters are seeing/experiencing etc!
 - b. Is the description of your committee accurate? If not, what needs to be removed from your committee description and why? Does something additional need to be added to your description? What is your committee's suggestion for the description for your committee?
 - Shelter Providers Committee Advise the Board of Directors on issues related to the operation of the emergency shelter system including unmet needs; provide forum for shelter providers to improve coordinated efforts to move homeless persons out of homelessness as soon as possible.
 - o Not sure we advise the Board of Directors. Take that out unless we start doing that and going to the BOD meeting and have a spokesperson meeting.
 - o Are we doing much problems solving to move people out of homelessness quickly?
 - o The group wants to keep the description the same, but change the format of the meetings to better reflect the description.
 - c. Do you have any standing workgroups/sub-committees of your committee, and if so, should they be their own committee or are they time-limited limited? What is your recommendation?
 - i. None.
- 2) Improvement ideas for meeting
 - a. Should the shelter provider's committee update the board several times a year with a presentation?
 - b. Should we get an update from ICA on data review regularly? Updates every other monthly.
 - c. Have larger system conversation/collaboration on topics? What are the topics we want to discuss to improve the system (ie. AODA, Mental Health) and add to agenda items.
 - d. Fares will work on updating the format of the agenda items. (Updates, important items for Board, data we want to look at, system improvement topics.)



6. **Next meeting**
@ 9:00am

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