



## **HSC Outreach Committee**

Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 12pm-1:30pm

Meeting held virtually on Zoom

**Meeting ID:** 816 4391 6851

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### **December 2022 Meeting Agenda**

**Co-Chairs:** Courtney Spears and Audrey Mera

**Facilitator:** Torrie Kopp Mueller

**Note taker:** Zach Stephen

#### **1. Introductions**

#### **2. Review Committee Goals**

*The Outreach Committee of the Dane County Homeless Services Consortium will advise the Board of Directors on issues related to outreach services including unmet needs and gaps, recommendations on written standards, recommendations and strategies for ending unsheltered homelessness in Dane County and other issues as needed. The committee will provide a forum for outreach workers to communicate and improve coordinated efforts to assist people experiencing unsheltered homelessness. The committee will develop agreed upon definitions of different types of outreach, shared goals, best practices, ethical standards and an outreach calendar as well as other procedures and practices that will assist in achieving shared goals. The outreach committee will review data and make recommendations to partners on how to decrease the length of time homeless and increase permanent housing placements. The Committee will annually make recommendations to the Education and Advocacy Committee for issues to be included in the advocacy platform and provide input to the Community Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness Committee. The outreach committee will coordinate closely with HSC and community case conferencing meetings (veterans, PSH, RRH, by-location for people unsheltered, hotels and other meetings that may develop)*

#### **3. Topic: Shelter & Street Outreach Staff Working Together**

- Panel discussion on shelter suspensions and how staff can work together
  - Tara Barica, The Salvation Army
  - Fares Fares, Porchlight
  - Fannicia Hawkins, The Beacon

#### **4. Follow-up: Coordination of Donations**

- Willie to follow-up on discussion with Briarpatch about space

#### **5. Topic/Action: Create Draft Work Plan for 2023**

- Viewing ICA's equity report and determining what data to regularly look at
- Discuss racial disparities for Black women and households
- Outreach referral and intake coordination
  - when to best refer to each agency
- Collaboration between outreach providers
  - what does each agency provide?
  - where do teams currently provide outreach?
  - is it possible to collaborate on schedules and locations better?

- Minimum and ideal standards for outreach services provision
  - common language about outreach activities
  - standard expectations
  - what services is each team providing
  - provide feedback to the Core Committee regarding outreach written standards
- How to best inform each other and support each other when individuals have passed away while experiencing homelessness
- Better ways to connect outreach providers with shelter staff
- Coordinated Entry
  - how we explain the process, expectations, and timeline to clients
  - a faster Coordinated Entry process
- Explore different ways we can assess homeless needs other than VI-SPDAT
- How can MCOs collaborate with outreach partners to ensure people can access outreach services
  - other healthcare collaborations
- Transportation access for unhoused clients
- How to best support people in crisis
- Coordinating extreme weather events and other important events
- Collective training
- Collective donation process

**7. Next meeting** Monday, 1/2/23 @ 12pm – Will people be attending this meeting?