

Funders Committee Minutes

July 5, 2022, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Virtual Meeting through Microsoft Office Teams

Attendance: Angela Jones, Aurey Leslie, Brenda Konkel, Jalateefa Joe-Meyers, Jenna Wuthrich, Meshan Adams, Patrick Duffie, Sarah Lim, Takisha Jordan, Torrie Kopp Mueller

1. Welcome
2. Funding updates
 - YHDP: Some changes. Briarpatch was the lead agency and hired staff. But we found that it was challenging to do the funding part, because YHDP staff was hired by Briarpatch who is one of the applicants. Youth Action Board requested that the City be the planning entity and submit the application to HUD to allow more time for the CoC to figure out the detailed plan. YAB, along with previous Briarpatch staff now employed by fiscal sponsor, will run the RFP.
 - HUD's Unsheltered Homelessness NOFO: A new NOFO, separate from the regular CoC NOFO, was released. Torrie will present about this at the HSC board meeting.
 - United Way has an application now through the loaned executive.
 - WHEDA has a funding opportunity open to make improvements for shelter and permanent housing, shared with the HSC listserv.
3. Review Funding Opportunities Matrix
 - a. Next steps for approvals across agencies

The committee reviewed the spreadsheet and added a couple questions (monitoring requirements, how to received feedback on submitted applications). Funders will fill out the additional information, get it approved by respective supervisors for publishing the information by the August committee meeting (8/2/22).
4. Equitable grant making
 - a. How do we define this? Members shared their definition of equitable grantmaking.
 - b. What is this committee's role in ensuring that this happens?/ Where does the equitable grantmaking lie? Each funder has a responsibility but the funder's committee members can challenge and guide one another.
 - c. Where are opportunities for improvement? Mentorship program, grant making workshops, putting together and sharing a list of resources about grant writing including low or no cost options

Next Meeting: August 2nd