HSC Committee to End Youth Homelessness

Meeting minutes

Monday, March 11, 2019 1pm

First United Methodist Church

Attending: Robin Sereno, Casey Behrend, Heather Crowley, Ulysses Williams, Allison Grant, John Brown, Amy Noble, Jenna Schmitt, Sylvia Webster, Elvin Webster, Qianna Abanukam

1. Reviewed the three month goals

* Support Youth Action Board
* Support YHDP grant
* Community awareness
  + The Committee/HSC will do a press release after the youth surveys get tallied. Will also work on social media with the press release.
  + [The local documentary on youth homelessness](https://wpt4.org/wpt-video/here-and-now/here-now-for-dec-28-2018-wqk6qq/) aired on Wisconsin Public Television- Jenna and Robin will work with the filmmaker to host a film showing in Madison.

1. Review committee member progress

* Robin, Allison, and Sarah met with Annalee, co-director, Wisconsin Evaluation Collaborative (WEC) on 2/21. WEC is willing to provide a letter of support for YHDP as a potential evaluation partner.
* More than 170 surveys have been received. Robin and Sarah are tallying the information gathered through the survey.
* Heather is working on finding out whether JRC does homelessness screening.
* Robin hosted a meeting for the Youth Action Board. None youth wanted to join the YAB. Five youth attended. Amy from the committee attended as well.
* Amy and Robin met with Haywood Simmons, C4CS, about potential partnership in developing YAB. They have resources to develop YAB. C4CS asked Robin to come and speak about YAB (next Thursday).
* Robin and Jenna (HSC Education and Advocacy committee chair) discussed how the two committees can work together.
* Casey Becker is preparing a brief on the role of YHDP lead agency and how the programs will be sustained after 2 years of grant period to present to the County leadership (Children Youth and Family). County is considering whether they can serve as a lead agency for the YHDP grant.
* Robin and Allison will present about youth homelessness and youth count at April HSC meeting.
* YHDP update (Torrie)
  + NOFA may be announced in the next week or two.
  + To-do list based on the last year's NOFA
    - Need to reconnect with stakeholders already committed and newly engage with some
    - Need to define a vision --include youth in creating a vision statement
    - Develop a youth action board; select a lead organization -- in progress
    - Analyze and improve the current data infrastructure - youth count tallying in progress; need to explore how to get data from juvenile justice, child welfare
    - Need to identify and define program models and create benchmarks
    - System mapping and need analysis needed
    - YHDP workgroup will work on writing the application and the Committee and YAB will review it.

* Prevention must be an essential part of our efforts to end youth homelessness.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Lim