

Reimagine CE Workgroup Meeting Notes

12/6/22

1. INTRODUCTION

Sarah Lim, City of Madison; Garrett Olson, Madison Homeless Union; Bridget Rogers, JFF; Derek Blum, Tellurian; Sydney Verbauwhede, Tellurian; Courtney Spears, Tellurian; Patrick Duffie, ICA; Zach Stephen, ICA; Meghan Sohns, MOM; Francesca Atkinson, ICA; Liz Duffie, Dane County; Amy Staffes, TRH; Rachel Litchman, YAB; AJ Hardie, Outreach; Torrie Kopp Mueller, CoC Coordinator; Alicia Spry, LEC; Johneisha Prescott, Dane County; Melissa Mennig, Dane County; Jodie Haas, LSS; Jen Ripp, Briarpatch; Kristina Dux, Dane County; Brenda Konkel, MSM, Occupy Madison; Jessica Oswald, YWCA; Karen Andro, Housing Initiative; Maureen Quinlan, New Bridge; Jeanne Louthier, Journey Mental Health; Molly Lund, Porchlight; Erin Kollenbroich, Dane County; Takisha Jordan, LEC; Clearance, Urban Triage

2. COORDINATED ENTRY OVERVIEW -- see presentation slides

3. WORKGROUP OVERVIEW -- see presentation slides

4. DISCUSSION: What are some things you want to know or discuss in order to reimagine Coordinated Entry prioritization?

- What are we able to do to address disparities for LGBTQ community within the regulatory framework (e.g. fair housing), how can we close those gaps within the limitation?
- How other communities have approached the process
- Meaningful participation of people currently experiencing homelessness and people who were previously homeless are now in housing
- Talk to other communities about their policies (e.g. Sacramento, Chicago)
- What does the CE list look like- both getting on the list and getting off the list
- Any changes can disrupt and impact people. We must hone into the specific problems -- where are we seeing racial disparity, is it PSH housing outcomes, who gets on the list, what are those points?
- Definitions of terms used in CE discussion (e.g. chronic homelessness)
- Who are we missing, who are falling through the crack, how are we missing them (who are not going to the shelters, couch surfing) and how we can identify them.
- How some other communities have incorporated doubled up population in the CE system
- What other communities use in prioritization - data points, tools, etc.
- What are people being told when they go through the CE process?
- How can advocates be more involved for our clients?
- Special consideration for CE for youth (they tend to not have as long of homelessness)

- A new system should be trauma-informed and least invasive as possible.
- Create a tool by understanding who are experiencing homelessness, what are the barriers, and create a tool to better understand them
- How emergency rooms prioritize and/or triage and see if we could learn something from that process

5. MEETING LOGISTICS

- Timeline - Members present agreed with the goal to produce a recommendation by the end of 2023
- Meeting frequency - Members present voted to meet once a month (two hour meeting) instead of twice a month. Sarah will send out a Doodle to schedule a regular monthly meeting.

6. RESOURCES

The following resources could provide you with background for our future discussions.

- A message from Org Code on the VI-SPDAT Moving Forward: <https://www.orgcode.com/blog/a-message-from-orgcode-on-the-vi-spdats-moving-forward>
- Going Beyond VI-SPDAT: <https://www.bitfocus.com/going-beyond-the-vi-spdats>
- Next Generation Assessment Tool Series: <https://endhomelessness.org/resource/next-generation-assessment-tools-series/>
- Racial Equity Analysis of Assessment Data: https://c4innovates.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/CES_Racial_Equity-Analysis_Oct112019.pdf