Shelter Provider Committee Meeting Minutes

October 5th, 2022

Next Meeting: December 7th, 2022

City & County updates

• Focus groups coming up at Hawthorne library for permanent shelter feedback
• Men's Shelter to move on October 13th to 2002 Zeier Rd.

VPH SUNSET/IQC & Monkeypox protocols

• All guests discharged besides 7 households that are highly vulnerable.
• 48-18 housed, 2 went to hospital or rehab, 10 said they would be outside, 18 said they would be at shelter
• Storage facility at hotel available until 10/14
• IQC moving to Microtel
• Use appropriate referral form for IQC from shelter. Only medical providers can refer for Monkeypox. Updated referral forms will be provided w/ Microtel address.
• 257 households enrolled in H2H, 177 currently housed

Shelter Utilization

• DIS updates: new management and new case managers/HAC
• Expecting to move everything out of First St. on 10/13 and be open for operations at Zeier Rd. at 5:00 pm.
• Locker storage at new temporary shelter. Plan to keep items overnight if system goes well.
• Isolation/Quarantine rooms at Zeier Rd. with separate ventilation to outside for when IQC closes
• 4 ADA bathrooms, recovery room, offices for outreach, case management, other services
• Capacity technically 150. Expecting and preparing to serve 200+
• 200 beds/58 bunk beds/recovery room, extra cots for overflow

Salvation Army

• 45-55 average per night now for single women
• Family waitlist at 66
• 5 report staying outside or in vehicles
• 98 new family calls this month
• Not enough room, open to suggestions

Beacon
• Guests coming in at check in time: 110-126. 170-186 throughout the day. approaching pre-COVID numbers
• 2 families regularly check in

DAIS
• can house up to 14 adults
• longest waitlist seen in two years of 50 families checking in weekly
• used to have more singles calling in

Healing House
• 3 rooms available for families who are medically compromised
• Need documentation stating medical condition
• Pregnant individuals prioritized

Outreach for families needing shelter
• Connect with CFC for wraparound case management, FSSF for supplies and long term, Urban Triage for families
• Outreach referral process planning for waitlisting/turning individuals away from shelter
• CFC is good for long-term as they can enroll people in CCS
• Urban Triage focuses on families

COVID Updates
• no more PCR testing clinic at DIS but we have stock of rapid antigen tests
• must be self-administered by guests
• 2nd boosters widely available Pfizer, Moderna available soon
• Vaccine clinic every Wednesday through October
• Flu shot clinic- brainstorm for new contacts.
Gender Access Issues

- no update/no protocol/no guidance from HUD
- Idea of co-ed for permanent shelter
- If someone identifies as male they can enter men's shelter. Data collection in Clarity on gender is arbitrary according to HUD; serve people as they currently report their gender
- If someone is suspended from SA and comes to DIS stating they identify as male, we have to allow entry.
- A group will convene to continue discussion of policies and procedures around equal access