

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