

Commission to End Homelessness Implementation Group #2

May 17, 2013
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

The Village at 17th Street
Conference Center, Suite 100
1505 E. 17th Street, Santa Ana, CA 92705

Minutes

Scott Larson, Implementation Group Chairperson

The Commission to End Homelessness, Implementation Group #2 welcomes you to this meeting. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Commission to End Homelessness and Implementation Group #2 encourages your participation. If you wish to speak on an item contained in the agenda, please complete a Speaker Form identifying the item(s) and deposit it in the Speaker Form Return box located on the side of the podium. If you wish to speak on a matter which does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Comment period at the close of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing in the agenda. When addressing the Implementation Group, please state your name for the record. Please address the Implementation Group as a whole through the Chair. Comments to individual Commissioners or staff are not permitted. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. Power Point and video presentations must be requested prior to start of meeting.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

Scott Larson welcomed everyone and attendees introduced themselves to the group.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

All matters are approved by one motion unless pulled by a Commissioner for discussion or separate action. At this time, any member of the public may ask the Commission to be heard on the following items on the Consent Calendar:

No items to approve.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR:

1. Overview of Meeting

Scott gave a brief review of the purpose of Implementation Group #2 to improve Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing Systems, and introduced the discussion items listed below.

- a. Housing Inventory Count for Emergency Shelters and Transitional housing
- b. Haven for Hope in San Antonio, Texas
- c. Working project for meeting: complete the Multi-Service Center Baseline Services Worksheet

2. Review of Activity to Date

a. Housing Inventory Count

- i. Previously there was disparate data and we found a better way to do inventory counts, to understand HUD guidelines and become better educated.

b. Guidelines for Emergency Shelter

- i. Provided a policy recommendation for Emergency Shelters with policy guidelines, framing the direction for the county. A copy of the Policy Recommendations was provided to attendees.

3. Topics to be Addressed

a. Haven for Hope in San Antonio, Texas - www.HavenforHope.org

Handout provided to attendees included the Haven for Hope history, facility maps, and Partner Agencies listings.

A brief history and background of the Haven for Hope was provided and discussed. Highlights include:

- Vision in 2005
- Raised \$100M in funds and built the facility by 2010
- Facility opened in 2011 and was full within 1 month
- Annual operating budget of \$12M
- 50 non-profit agencies participate with unknown budgets

The presentation reviewed the different parts of the facility which included Prospects Village – the arrival point and a homeless camp segregated from the rest of the facility that handles 300-500 people daily with a separate cafeteria; dormitories for 900 people, medical facilities, and a chapel as some of the onsite facility; and services like permanent supportive housing, public health hospital, veterans services, substance abuse program and so on located outside the facility.

Problems identified by Haven for Hope were a rise in crime, where do those that don't fit go, and they had 3 Executive Directors.

b. Overview of Activities at Multi-Service Centers

A Multi-Service Center Baseline Services Worksheet was handed out to rank mandatory versus optional multi-service center activities, the priority of these activities and if the activities would be better located onsite or offsite.

The Multi-Service Center Baseline Services Worksheet is a comprehensive list of services compiled from three sources (1. Homeless Multi-Service Center Technical Advisory Committee, March 2007. 2. Improving the Quality of Life, County of Orange, Multi-Service, Public/Private Partnership Center – Best Practices Review Report, September 2006. 3. Haven for Hope). The purpose of completing the worksheet and compiling the results is to provide the county with feedback and a tool to use for the RFP for the Fullerton and other Multi-Service Centers.

i. On-sites

Discussed funding sources, how to anticipate and mitigate issues, the rapid rehousing element, how children are addressed and who has access to them, identification, education, sexual predators, mental illness, and a concern that a lot of different populations are mixed together. Brief review of the Haven for Hope list of Partner Agencies and On-Campus Partners.

ii. Off-sites

Brief review of the Haven for Hope list of Partner Agencies, community referrals, and community partners, all of provide off-site services.

4. Next Steps

- a. Compile results of the Multi-Service Center Baseline Services Worksheets.
- b. Send results of the Multi-Service Center Baseline Services Worksheet to meeting attendees.
- c. Present results of the Multi-Service Center Baseline Services Worksheet to the Board at the Board meeting on May 24, 2013.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

At this time, members of the public may address the Commission to End Homelessness, Implementation Group #2 regarding any off-agenda items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission to End Homelessness, Implementation Group #2 provided that NO action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments shall be limited to three minutes per person and twenty minutes for all comments, unless different time limits are set by the Chair.

No public comments.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

ADJOURNED: Meeting was adjourned at 11:20AM.

NEXT MEETING: July 10, 2013, 10:00 – 11:30 AM
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