

RAPID RE-HOUSING MEETING
Venue: Colette's Children's Home
9:00-10:30 am
MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Introductions

- **Highlights of the Conference on Rapid-Rehousing**
 - 10 %—26% rate of recidivism
 - Discussion on the goal to end youth homelessness
 - Discussion on best practices in terms of case management
 - Discussed strength-based guidelines in terms of case management and providing housing services
 - Transitional Housing is still needed

- **Issues/Suggestions raised on linking with landlords**
 - Ensuring that tenants/clients pay rent on time
 - It is essential for the agency contact to be professional with landlords
 - There should direct communication established with landlords
 - Supply landlords with pamphlets
 - Have a point person to connect with a landlord or represent the client
 - Have a “housing specialist connect with a landlord”
 - Create a landlord packet to explain the program/services/population service
 - Prepare the client by developing a client packet in regards to expectations and responsibilities
 - Collaborate or connect with landlord
 - Current clients of providers are encouraged to do their own housing research by using penny saver or craigslist
 - Stay in contact with the landlord

- **Rapid Rehousing Program information/updates :**
 - Applicants are not required to have jobs
 - Raised the fair market guideline
 - SPIN does not work with singles
 - MERCY HOUSE
 - Does not have limitations
 - Wait listed
 - July 1, 2015 new program- HUD-COUNTY-CITY
 - Literally homes
 - Serve all Orange county
 - Serves Singles

- **Illumination Foundation**
 - Emergency dorm
 - Motel vouchers
 - Check-in daily
 - Case management 2x/month

- **Questions/Concerns Raised**
 - What happens to clients while waiting for services?
 - Advocate for emergency shelter
 - Subsidized housing/project based housing
 - We need more shared housing
 - Single housing

- **Other Issues Raised for Future Discussions**
 - How to get people into rapid-rehousing at a faster rate
 - Establish a housing process
 - Identify bridge to rapid rehousing
 - Increase housing inventory
 - Address housing barriers
 - Improve transitional group
 - Change “transitional housing” to “interim housing”
 - Need to establish guidelines to operate
 - Establish a rotating chairperson for the group who will be present during meetings
 - Plan and implement a solution/plan of action to address housing barriers
 - Explore the possibility of conducting bi-monthly to quarterly meetings or perhaps conducting monthly targeted meetings
 - Discuss the challenges providing rapid-rehousing services on the client level, program level and policy level
 - All organizations were asked to submit topics they would like to discuss in future meetings