# **MEETING MINUTES**

# Wednesday, June 2, 2021 Location - ZOOM HOMELESS PROVIDERS' & STAKEHOLDERS' COUNCIL

Time Called to Order: 3:00pm
Location: Zoom
Time Adjourned: 4:30 pm
Minutes by: Cassandra Canty

#### **Members Present:**

Anthony Ginsberg, Voter Participation Project; Cassandra Canty, Elderly & Veterans Services; Tim Dwyer, Covenant House; Rebecca McGuire, BC-HIP; Lorraine Wilby, Advocate; Steve Werthman, HOPE South Florida Consumer Advisory; Vince Gardner, Broward County Housing Authority; Jessica Abou, Broward Regional Health Planning Council; William King, Broward Behavioral Health Coalition; Jackie Anderson, BARC; Erika Laverde, Broward Partnership, Carleen Robinson, Elderly & Veterans Services, Fred Mims, Broward Partnership, Paula Vickers, Second Chance Society, Dr./Sgt. Ed Rafailovitc, BSO; Marc Esko, Advocate, Cassandra Rhett, TaskForce Fore Ending Homelessness; Paul Vickers, Second Chance Society

#### **Call to Order and Quorum:**

Wilby called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm

## **Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from the previous month were distributed via email and approved.

Old Business: N/A

New Business: Next meeting July 7, 2021, and no August meeting

## **Presentations: Paula Vickers, Second Chance Society**

Agency was founded by Pat Owen in 2001 and was geared toward the homeless and at-risk population. It aims to remove barriers to self-sufficiency. It also aids with job materials, forklift training, tuition, textbook, and other resources. It started the 2011 ID program and assists with requests for birth certificates for housing, provides warm hand offs, the personal contact in the community.

#### **Presentations:**

Jessica Abou, Broward Regional Health Planning Council -2021 Point-In-Time Count

Provided brief overview of 2021 PIT Count and HMIS role.

#### **Advocacy**

- Steve Werthman reported recipients of HUD funds have provided match dollars for County to pay Administration portion of costs. Rebecca McGuire will follow up with discussion for 2021 Award NOFA.
- Sadowski fund is being raided.

# **Reports**

# **HIP Administration**

Dr. Rebecca Mcguire, Administer, BC Homeless Initiative Partnership presented:

- City of Ft Lauderdale in partnership with Broward County Housing Authority have 250 emergency housing vouchers- Vouchers will be accessible through Coordinated Entry. Specific criteria include but is not limited to homeless, veterans who don't qualify for VASH and persons fleeing domestic violence.
- Current recruitment for Temporary Housing Navigators.

- June 9, 2021, Multiple Listing Site goal is to demonstrate site at next committee meeting- launch, then relaunch, getting landlords to register and raise public awareness with landlords and property managers.
- June 2, 2021, Vaccination event Hope South FL.
- June 3, 2021, Vaccination event South HAC.
- RFP closed in June.

## BBHC - William King

- Carrefour RFA Howard C Forman was approved- 180 units in Pembroke Pines is currently in underwriting
- Project SOAR- contracting to provide mental health respite beds
- William will be participating in the Managing Entity Housing Summit

Lorraine Wilby reported that the BSO Baker Act Team was still available from 6am-10pm. Inform Dr./Sgt. Ed Rafailovitc if you are unable to reach the teams during the hours of operation, Henderson mobile crisis is also available 24/7

# Housing Action Committee- (Rebecca McGuire reported for Tom Campbell)-

- Going through each committee and working on three goals to accomplish during the year
- Help with housing stock
- Advocate for affordable housing
- Steer individuals to multiple listing site
- How to draw Carrefour to area
- Goals will be reviewed annually
- Dashboard will be live, stronger together-Operate 127% Permanent Supportive Housing, allows you to see data and identify gaps, and reviews models

# Youth & Families- No report

# Consumer Advisory Committee - No report

# MAHT-Dr./Sgt. Ed Rafailovitc- No meeting

- MAHT suffering financial loss, used mostly all funds on homeless relocation issues, ie, looking for assistance with bus passes, food, shelter, and clothing
- Observing a higher uptake in families on the streets

# **Upcoming Event Announcements:**

- Rebecca McGuire- Symposium on calendar live, this year topic on COVID and how we are doing
- July 7, 2021, Needs and Gaps, think about what you want to bring back to the table
- Non congregate shelter overview

#### **Good of the Order:**

Dr./Sgt. Ed Rafailovitc provided contact information for the BSO Baker Act Team (non-emergency number) (954) 764-4357 or (954) 764-HELP

# **Adjournment and Next Meeting:**

Lorraine Wilby adjourned meeting at 4:30 pm. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 7, 2021