# BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## HOMELESS INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP (HIP)

Housing Action Committee May 8, 2019 FINAL MINUTES

Time Called to Order: 3:00 p.m.

Location: Governmental Center East, A-337 Minutes by: Rebecca McGuire, HIP

Members Present: Tom Campbell, Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Inc.; Marlo Longsworth, The

Salvation Amy; William King, BBHC; Jamie Thomas, Henderson Behavioral Health; Lisa

Vecchi, BHS; Keith Cavanaugh, Miami Rescue Mission; Felisha Martin, BPHI

Staff Present: Rebecca McGuire, HIP, Esau Williams, HIP; Kavaja Sarduy, HIP, Kenisha Anthony,

HIP, Kenisha Bryant, HIP, Susan Batchelder, HIP

Guests Present: Marc Esko, Consumer Advocacy Council, Sharonja Johnson, BPHI, Felisha Martin,

BPHI, Vilma Lopez, Realty Association; Sharon Lindblade, Century 21 Hansen Realty,

Janelle Floyd, Pace Center for Girls

Welcome &

**Introductions:** Tom Campbell, Chair, called meeting to order and attendees introduced themselves.

New Business: A. Member to Invite to Formally Serve on the Housing Action Committee

Rebecca discussed the importance of having set members for the Housing Action Committee. Although this is an inclusive group to discuss issues and brainstorm solutions, we need set member to ensure if and when an item does need come to a vote there is a committee who is identified to address the issue. This would be included in the Continuum of Care (CoC) Governance Charter to be voted on by the CoC in the upcoming months.

The members who were put forward include:

- Housing Providers -- Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Broward Housing Solutions, The Salvation Army, Covenant House, Miami Rescue Mission, Broward County Housing Authority, Volunteers of America, Family Success Administration Division, Hope South Florida,
- Henderson Case Management
- BBHC
- Dan Lindblade (Chair of the Landlord Tiger Team)
- Sharon Lindblade Realtor
- Vilma Lopez Realtor
- Someone from the Broward Housing Counsel

This will be finalized at the next meeting on June 12, 2019.

B. Furniture at Pier ......Dan Lindblade via Phone

Rebecca has monitored the spreadsheet has set a deadline of Friday, May 17, 2019 to get this back from all providers then aggregate the data and provide it back to Dan Lindblad and Lynn Wines.

### Landlord Data Base......Discussion & Update

Dan provided an update via phone. He met with the Realtors of the Palm Beaches and Great Fort Lauderdale. He believes they are very interested in supporting this initiative. Additionally, he drafted, and Rebecca McGuire added items to the Property Profile. We believe this is ready to go. Update and possible launch discussion at the next meeting.

#### C. Landlord Appreciation/Recruitment Event:

The date will be set for end of July 2019. Rebecca is working on a venue and food. The group will provide a list of "awards" to Rebecca for discussion at the next meeting.

#### The Committee is below:

- Rebecca McGuire, HIP
- Kavaja Sarduy, HIP
- Felisha Martin, BPHI
   Cathy Stutin, Fort Lauderdale Chamber (Dan volunteered)
- D. Landlord and Tenant Bill of Rights presentation:

The presentation is attached. A robust discussion was had around what tools do we have to help housing navigators and case managers engage landlords. Below are some of the ideas:

- Craft and Implement a Rescission Protocol for the CoC
- Get a list of homeless prevention providers to help divert eviction
- Implement a Peer Counseling program and reach out to South Florida Wellness Net work
- Find funds for a Risk Mitigation Pool
- Create a Grievance Panel with at least 3 Grievance Officers to hear issues from both landlords and tenants

Several items need to be added to the guide. The goal is to have another draft ready by next meeting.

- a. Good of the Order
- **b.** Adjournment

**Next Meeting** 

June 12, 2019 @ 2:00 p.m.

**Governmental Center, Annex** 

Room A-337

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