

Minutes
Scranton/Lackawanna County Continuum of Care
Board of Directors Meeting
May 8, 2018

The Board of the Lackawanna/Scranton CoC met at Cedar Point on May 8, 2018. The following members were present: Shannon Quinn-Sheeran, Michael Hanley, Andy Hurchik, Peg Ruddy, Joe Hollander, Dorette Harris, Nancy Lawton-Kluck, John, Jason Kavulich, Dawn Edwards, Steve Nocilla, Sr. Therese Marques, Kim Cadugan, and Sr. Susan Hadzima.

Shannon began by providing the following CoC Updates:

- * The last training on Gender Identity/Equal Access held March 28th was well received; feedback was very positive

- * Training on Coordinated Assessment provided background information and specific directions to new staff. HUD mandates participation in training for staff. Designated staff need to complete assessment wherever person first presents and continue to follow person until housed. Efforts to contact should be once a month up to three months and then exit. There is a great deal of information to keep track of including eligibility requirements for different programs. They discussed acuity score, degree of need, and importance of connecting those with greatest needs.

- * There are two vacancies in the chairpersonship of the CoC committees: Chronic Homeless/Coordinated Assessment Committee meets monthly on the first Wednesday of the month. There are nine individuals and one family on the list. Troy and James from CIC will serve as Co-Chairs. The Education and Youth Committee meets as needed. Lori Chaffers will chair it.

- * Shannon attended a statewide CoC meeting hosted by the PA Dept. of Community and Economic Development. The ESG County funding application is open and due in July; minimum request is \$25,000. Applications would need to be made through the County.

HUD priorities and initiatives according to Norm Suchar for this year are street homeless, rural homelessness and Move-On programs. Our Move-On program is still awaiting a meeting with the Housing Authorities. Jason indicated that the Multi-Disciplinary Team was looking at dates for a meeting. Next step would be meeting with the Housing Authorities.

Registration for the CoC NOFA is now open and due May 14. \$50 million of CoC funding has been set aside for Rapid ReHousing for victims of domestic violence, dating violence and stalking. Peg Ruddy explained that this is separate/additional money to the regular NOFA and any bonus which will be available. Some agencies have begun to receive their C1.9a's for the 2017 awarded projects. There may be some changes to be made in e-snaps including the match documentation.

HUD also has funding for Housing Authorities for mainstream housing choice vouchers for non-Seniors with a disability. The program must collaborate with social services. No funding will be available for supportive services. Applications due June 18, 2018.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2018 at 10 a.m. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sr. Susan Hadzima, IHM Secretary