Boston Continuum of Care
Leadership Council Meeting Agenda
October 28, 2015
3:00-4:30PM
Bill Buckley Conference Room

Meeting Minutes

Welcome and Announcements
➢ BEN Job Fair-well attended w/ 30-40 employers; City tried to get press coverage but it didn’t get picked up

Discussion of Mayors Council to End Homelessness Structure
➢ Mayor Advisory- more fundraising arm, includes Philanthropic & Business sectors
➢ Get to participate but not on a granular level
➢ Need to initiate outreach to new members
➢ Gaps: Need hospital representation
➢ Reaching out to VA & DV
➢ Still not balanced on the family side
➢ Can we get the state to help a bit getting them on-Family Safety Net Group
➢ Hildebrand/Middlesex lot of family units in Boston but won’t engage
➢ Outreach to Substance Abuse /Recovery community (City recovery or State)
➢ Youth: outreach to Kelly Turley?
➢ Sub-committee co-chairs will be reporters of work progress

Governance Charter Updates
➢ Reviewed-highlighted changes
➢ Name change to Steering Committee
➢ Took out specifications on number of members-too prescriptive
➢ Nominations-took out chair of workgroup
➢ Updated name of Mayors Action Plan
➢ Updated work groups to coincide with plan-needs leadership from Steering committee to lead those workgroups
➢ Unanimous vote to adopt amended Governance Charter

New Projects for Funding
➢ 7 Projects-$2.5 million requested in new funding, reallocation of nearly 500K of existing for new PH
➢ 2 reallocations proposed- 1 Support Services Only and 1 Transitional Housing to New PH
➢ 5 New Permanent Housing
➢ Review of specifics of proposals by Type, population, # served and cost per client
➢ Review of the impact of how these new affect ranking of renewal projects
Reallocation and Prioritization Strategies

- Review of ARD, Tier 1 and Tier 2 amounts
- HUD select all in Tier 1 that meet threshold requirements
- HUD is going to rate and rank Tier 2 in a different manner than years past
- 100 total-60 prorated CoC score, 20 CoC preference / project ranking
- HUD Component Type Points for Tier 2 - Permanent Housing (10), Transitional Housing (3) and Support Services Only (1)
- All renewals scored by project managers and Seniors by 11/6/15

Proposal Rankings Tier 1

- 1st. HMIS renewal and 1 new HMIS, 2nd. RRH & PSH reallocated in 2014 or 2015, 3rd. PH with rental assistance or leasing, 4th. SSO and TH Crucial to CoC (street outreach or a safety net bed) 5th. Coordinated Access (also straddle project)
- New HMIS and Coordinated Access 95% from other projects that decided not to apply. Some movement to HOPWA
- CoC able to secure funding from non-renewals to cover most of reallocation to HMIS and CA

Proposal Rankings Tier 2

- Option 1- 1st PSH with services only, 2nd. TH projects and 3rd SSO projects ranked within each component type
- Option 2- PSH with services only, TH & SSO ranked according to score with no ordering by component type
- Planning-apply but not part of ARD or subject to tiering
- Have done some scenarios based on project size to see potential scoring impact
- 19 projects in Tier 2
- If we put the new bonus in then more than 19 projects in Tier 2
- The unknown is that PSH will get 10 points and SSO won’t get any
- Thinking of putting new PH projects at very bottom to try to preserve renewals but they will still get top HUD points according to Tier 2 scoring
- Bonus amount $3.6 million- proposals we got in are under the cap
- Will do our best to do a mock and put them in to see if they score higher than renewals
- HUD says have enough to fund ARD
- Most important for Tier 2 is to score good on Exhibit 1
- Scoring matrix done will help us focus on getting most bang for our buck
- One scoring matrix for renewals, another for for PSH Bonus
- Not applying for New PH doesn’t hold Tier 2 harmless

Comments on Ranking Options

- Option 2 allows for more CoC flexibility
- CoC needs as much flexibility as we can get. Neither one are good options
- All of this must get posted online including reallocation policy and prioritization policy along with scoring matrix
- Voting on principles of the order, not the order
- Unanimous vote for Tier 2 option 2 to allow greater CoC flexibility

Mayor’s Challenge/Home for the Brave

- USICH Criteria and Benchmarks to end Vets Homelessness, met C+D, not A+B yet
- Chronic review one pager
- City and NECHV responding to State RFP for MRVP for Non VA eligible chronic. State to review Tuesday and Wednesday next week
- Flexibility for high cost cities under USICH measures
- SORI increasing length of stay
- Pine street Inn hosting 1 day event in conjunction with City-1 stop shops, targeted invites to CH and non CH vets staying in shelter or on the streets, BHA, VA. Income verifications done on spot, SSVF and abbreviated VASH intake
- Fundraiser HFTB, Cut-a-thon in Milton at Mackie's, Saturday 11/14 8Am-2PM Proceeds to Homes for the Brave