Continuum of Care
Homeless Provider Forum

Recap of Hot Topics in 2015

November 5th, 2015
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Location
Covenant Presbyterian Church, St. Andrew’s Hall
1855 Orange Olive Road, Orange 92865

Co-Chairs
Cruz Rios III, Veteran’s First
La Shawn Hye, Project HOPE Alliance

Minutes

Informal Networking over Refreshments

Welcome
• Cruz Rios III and La Shawn Hye, Co-Chairs, Homeless Provider Forum

Continuum of Care Updates
• The LOI/Part II for renewal applications were due on Friday, October 16. The RFP for Bonus and reallocated funds were due on Monday, October 19. There were 7 RFP applications turned in. A review panel convened and selected 3 of those applications to be included in the CoC application. These were submitted by Mercy House, Illumination Foundation, and 1736 Family Crisis Center and have a preference for Veterans. Agencies have begun to receive technical assistance from CHS, HUD Consultants, to review and improve eSnaps application.
• On Friday, October 16th, there was a Commission to End Homelessness Executive Committee Special Meeting to review and approve the 2015 Ranking Policy and Process Recommendations.
• On Tuesday, November 3rd, there was a Commission to End Homelessness Executive Committee Special Meeting to review and approve the Final 2015 Project Priority Listing. Projects that fell within Tier 2 where given the option to submit a written appeal by end of day Wednesday, November 4th.
• On Wednesday, October 28th there was an Executive Directors Meeting in regards to Coordinated Entry. At which meeting, it was suggested to have a weekly, in-person meeting attended by street outreach workers and housing providers to facilitate and make the optimum housing/client matches.
• On November 17, 2015 at 11:00 am, the Board of Supervisors will consider the acquisition of 1000 North Kraemer Place in Anaheim for use as a year-round emergency shelter and multi-service center. The Special Board Meeting will take place at: Hall of Administration (HOA), Board Hearing Room, First Floor, 333 West Santa Ana Boulevard, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, California 92701. If you wish to speak on the year-round emergency shelter agenda item, please plan to arrive before 11:00 am as seating is limited in the Board Hearing Room. Overflow accommodations will be arranged in the Planning Commission Room and HOA quad area. All speakers will be called in groups by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.
• The Coordinated Entry reported was the same as the one presented at the Commission to End Homelessness Executive Meeting on November 3rd, 2015 and may be found here:

- The Shelter Plus Care application has been updated to include the VI-SPDAT and has been given to Care Coordinator. The hope is to get individuals who are already connected to services housed through Shelter Plus Care.
- Registration for the 2016 National Conference on Ending Family & Youth Homelessness is now open! The conference will be take place at the Oakland Marriott City Center Hotel from February 18 to 19, 2016. Visit the website here for the agenda, travel information, and more. Early registration ends Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 3:00 pm EST (12:00pm PST) for the $450.00 rate. *All conference volunteers receive complementary conference registration. If you are interested in volunteering click here for more information.

Announcements
- HIS House has openings for individuals or couples. They have available a room for 2 and a room for 3.
- If you meet a homeless Veteran, VOALA has a “Master Take Down” List of homeless veterans in Orange County. Every week we go through the list with Veteran Service Providers to ensure that the Veterans are getting assistance and getting housed rapidly. Please contact Dana Fagen if you meet a homeless veteran at 714-415-2225 or danafagen@voala.org.
- Please attend this rally in support of the proposed homeless shelter at Kraemer Place on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 9:00am at the Orange County Hall of Administration, Santa Ana Civic Center Building 10. The plan of action is to assemble a large group of homeless individuals and supporters of the proposed shelter and exhibit signs and banners to demonstrate the need for the shelter with urgency to move forward with the existing plan and favorable vote by the Board of Supervisors. We encourage you to speak during public comments. We are in need of donations of materials to construct signs and banners. For questions or suggestions please contact Tim Houchen at 213-278-1767.
- Project Hope Alliance is hiring a Family Stability Program Case Manage, must be bilingual in Spanish. For more information visit: http://www.projecthopealliance.org/careers/.

Spotlight Speaker: 2-1-1 Orange County – Cassie Owens

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Speaker Introductions
- Cruz Rios III and La Shawn Hye, Co-Chairs, Homeless Provider Forum
- Shannon Lam from the Salvation Army provided an update on The Salvation Army Hospitality House (HH). The HH closed its 818 E. Third Street site for reconstruction on Sunday, November 1st, 2015. The Ground breaking for the construction of a completely remodeled Hospitality house was on Wednesday, November 4th, 2015 at 10am. The HH will continue to operate but at an alternative location, the instructions for lodging at the Temporary HH Shelter are below:
  o Come to the Salvation Army Shuttle Stop on Flower Street at the Civic Center
  o Lottery for beds and screening for admission will take place daily at 3:30pm
  o Guests will need an I.D. and will be screened for Sex Offender status
  o When guests are assigned a bed at the temporary shelter, they will enter the shuttle for transportation to the shelter
  o All HH guests will be picked up at the Civic Center shuttle stop each day of their 14 day stay at the shelter
  o Shuttles will leave the Civic Center stop between 4pm-5pm each night
  o Guests will be brought back to the Civic Center on the shuttles between 5-7:30am each morning.
  o No emergency shelter guests can enter shelter through walking or cycling onto the shelter property.
• There will be one late shuttle that leaves the Civic Center at 7pm nightly for those who have an approved late call from the HH staff. Please call: 714-542-9576 or 714-542-9750 for information and assistance. This phone number will be the same at the temporary shelter.

• Austin Drissen from Mercy House provided an update on the Armory Emergency Shelters. Both the Santa Ana and Fullerton Armories will be opening Monday, November 30th at 6:00pm. Both the Santa Ana and Fullerton Armories offer the family redirection program, meal, shower, and a bed for the nights. Individuals staying at the armories must be out by 6:00am. If it is your first time staying at the armory you are welcome to come at any time. If individuals have employment or special circumstances that do not allow them to arrive to the armory by 6:00pm at check-in special accommodations may be made. Click here for the official Armory Opening Flyer. Another version of the flyer will be released, which will include the bus pick-up locations. This year the bus pick-up locations will be the same as in previous years. There pick up site for the Fullerton Armory will be at La Palma Park and the pickup site for the Santa Ana Armory will be on flower Street between Civic Center and Santa Ana Blvd. Mercy House has worked to make the Armories facilities more ADA accessible and now have shower chairs, hand rails, and ramp access.

The First Armory Emergency Shelter Program Partnership Meeting for the 2015-2016 Shelter Season is Thursday, November 12th, 2015 from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM. Meet with Armory Program staff and have questions answered or share comments and concerns. As this is the first Partnership Meeting of the season, I will also be collecting contact information and putting together the season’s Service Provider Calendar. Click here for the flyer for the season’s first Armory Partnership Meeting.

• At the National Alliance to End Homelessness conference in July, Richard Gere who spoke movingly about his film Time Out Of Mind. As he made clear in his remarks, Mr. Gere hopes that you can use the film to help advance your work to end homelessness. Mr. Gere and the producers of the film have asked the Alliance to share with you the following options for accessing the film:

**ARRANGE A SCREENING** If you wish to arrange a public screening of the film, the producers of *Time Out of Mind* have negotiated a significantly reduced rate for conference attendees to screen a special Blu-Ray DVD copy of the film that includes a special video introduction by Richard Gere supporting the work of homeless organizations. To access a copy of the film, please contact Swank and they will arrange getting you a special copy of the film for the special $100.00 rate. This rate applies to any screening for a crowd up to 200 people.

Swank Motion Pictures
Attn: Tiffany Greenwood
(800) 876-5577
tgreenwood@swank.com

**VIEW THE FILM** The film will also be available On Demand (via your cable company) all throughout the U.S. until mid-December and then available on other platforms beginning in December. Consider hosting an in-home viewing of the film. Not sure where to start? Check out our Viewers Guide for suggestions on topics and discussion ideas.

**Hot Topics in 2015**
- February – Structured Networking Period
- March – Behavioral Health Forum: Helping Your Clients Maintain a Heath Outlook
- April – Diversion and Prevention
- May – Assisting the Homeless Increase their Income
- June – Health Care Providers for our Homeless

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**Agenda**

**November 5th, 2015**
• July – Faith Based Groups & Our Homeless
• August – 2015 Point In Time County Results
• September – Continuum of Care At Large Presentation
• October - Engaging and Housing the Chronically Homeless: How Orange County Plans to End Homelessness

Questions and Answers

Closing Remarks and Announcements

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