

MAC Meeting #1 Notes

People will be added or may leave the group over the next 10 months. This is to be expected. Please send information out to others that you feel should be involved. Please bring back any feedback that people may have.

Mike S.-

- Announcement was made today that OHCS will join in contract with COIC.
- As resources are allocated, keep in mind that the funds need to be spent by Jan. 10, 2024.
- Difficult decisions will need to be made quickly. Keep in mind this is an emergency response and things need started quickly.
- Data and outcomes will be reviewed.
- Definitions will be provided.
- Beds about to be lost will count, but the ultimate goal is new beds.
- You need to follow your internal processes for these projects, and OHCS understands that there isn't time for acquisition. Remember this is an emergency situation.
- Funds may be available after the 12 months. Don't let that be the only reason you don't do a project.

Conversation about what is being seen-

- Multigeneration Households- Lindsey
- Medical Issues arising due to aging, expenses are high, its impacting housing, clients are in and out of shelters after hospital stays. -Andrew
- Youth homelessness has a wide range, LGBTQ, HLC is seeing African American, and Indigenous, and Hispanic families with children. -Eliza

Caitlin R. –

- Shared metrics
- Case management needs to be expanded so that people who are in and out of the shelters so we can see if they have prior enrollment. -Andrew

Questions asked-

- What are the succinct data collection requirements from the state, and will the OHCS HMIS Team be on hand? Lise explained it will be the normal standards in HMIS like you currently use for HUD and ESG reporting. It will not be new.

-What are the quality expectations of a shelter? The definitions will explain more. The decision around if the shelter can be a tent structure, or if it must be permanent.

-Does the complete project hosting resident have to be finished by the Jan. deadline? They should be up and running so that the beds are usable by then.

-Understanding that eligibility guidelines are fluid, OHCS has said that beds at risk would not be eligible, and only new beds would. Can you clarify? They can be used, but we are graded solely on the new beds that are added.

-Is there a way to better track people who are in and out of shelters? Lise and Caitlyn will follow up with each other.

-When it comes to outreach, what is OHCS asking to be done and by when? Clarification came from Michelle W on the question to say, can previously found data be counted in this process? Lise said yes it should help us inform the process.

Action Items:

-Caitlin and Molly are wanting to set up a meeting about reports, quantitative outcomes and measuring questions.

-Mike S. will add the following to the FAQ sheet: Understanding that eligibility guidelines are fluid, OHCS has said that beds at risk would not be eligible, and only new beds would. Can you clarify? They can be used, but we are graded solely on the new beds that are added.

-Cheyenne has submitted 2 TA requests- 1 has been received and 1 has not. She will forward it to COIC.

- Chris O also has submitted 1 TA request

-Mike S. will follow up with the TA team to ensure they are responding quickly. The goal is within 1-2 days.

-Scott will send out the state data he received and all the documents covered today.

-Everyone needs to send all outreach data or input on homelessness to Chris O, and Scott.

-Chris O will send the survey out. Please complete the survey and send it to others.

-Follow up conversations need to be done to talk about adding people to the group in a fair way.

-COIC will work on getting a website set up with all the materials, meeting dates and notes.