

Strategic Planning, Funding and Advocacy Committee (SPFAC) Meeting Minutes 1.11.2021

Present: Elizabeth Kelly, Marc Craig, Ashley Burton, Julia Steinberg, Shannon Smith

Advocacy and Public Awareness

Meeting with Sen Bayer, Rep Carter & follow-up

- MDOS has new, temporary pandemic process for homeless individuals needing appointment to acquire state ID for housing.
 - o Spreadsheet of names for appointments to be arranged at an alternate location.
 - o Training webinar through MCAH on ID fee waiver process with 250+ people signed up.
- Housing and shelter case management/Medicaid working on language/requirements.
- MSHDA 30-day motel restriction is now 60 days with ability to get further extensions.
 - Waiting on official guidance.
- Source of income discrimination.
 - o Rep Carter introducing a bill this month or next through Poverty and Homeless caucus.
 - Oakland County Board of Commission agreed to take this up as a local regulation, modeling it on Washtenaw.

Racial Disparities workgroup

- Next meeting February 3, 9:30am-11:30am
- County and agencies are reporting how useful the workgroups are and they're excited to incorporate the work into their approaches and processes.

COVID issues impacting services

- Due to the mild winter, shelters and housing currently at a manageable level.
- More info to come about rental assistance funds being rolled out that will include eviction prevention.

PR

Point In Time Count

- The Alliance met with PATH and TTI and decided not to do an unsheltered count this year.
- A statement/press release will be going out.
- Waiting on official clarification from HUD that there won't be any penalties.

PR ideas and MCAH messaging

Updates to come.

Strategic Plan & Funding

HMIS

- Fully transitioned to Alliance.
 - Audrey & Holly have both started working full-time.

Landlord Fund

No updates.

NEXT MEETING DATE: February 8, 2021 at 9:00am – 11:00am