

Alliance for Housing  
Strategic Planning Funding and Advocacy Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
12.9.19

**Present:** Angela Gougherty, Deb Hendren, Marc Craig, Eric Burton, Ashley Burton, Joseph Figlioli, Leah McCall, Elizabeth Kelly, Rachel Densmore, Kathy Williams

**Merging Advocacy and Public Awareness with SPIF**

- Decided not to have separate meetings or separate chairs to make this more of a group effort
- Kathy Williams will step down as chair and Elizabeth Kelly will take the position.
- Leah: look at the Alliance By-Law to see if an Alliance Board member can be a chair of the committee
- **Standing meeting time: Second Monday of the month from 9-11**

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**Advocacy and Public Awareness**

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Advocacy Agenda

Marc has begun working on the frame work and waiting to hear back from a few more people who are contributing to the agenda. **Planning on having it completed by January 13th.**

- Angela will continue working on adding data and Deb on wordsmithing

OC Blueprint to End Homelessness

Oakland County is receiving \$250,000 in December 2019 from the state to do this blueprint.

- This will help to see what the gaps in services are, what our needs are, what we do well, and what we could do better.
- The County decided to hire a neutral third party.

Fair Housing Public Forums

Residents are able to still take the survey.

- The consultant is wrapping up the results and presenting it on **January 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Kathy Williams will put the official details on the list serve once they are finalized.

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**PR Portion**

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Community Emergency Response Plan

- The template has been completed. Joseph is creating a Google doc so members can add information in the different sections. When the plan is completed it will become sanctioned and then presented at the Alliance Annual Retreat in May

Point in Time Count 2020

- DATE: January 29 2020
- TIME: 7:00PM – 11:00PM
- Two deployment sites: Lighthouse in Pontiac & Royal Oak Farmers Market
- The Alliance is actively looking for volunteers. For more information about PIT please visit <https://www.oaklandhomeless.org/point-in-time>

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- **REGISTRATION:**
  - Team Leader: <https://www.oaklandhomeless.org/pit-team-leader-sign-up>
  - Team Member: <https://www.oaklandhomeless.org/pit-volunteer-sign-up>
- Lighthouse will be providing transportation to shelters for individuals that are in need.

**Ashley:**

- Send an email to each municipality to inform them about PIT and that we will be having teams out in their area, as well as registration information if they are interested in participating.
- Reach out to last year's PIT team leaders and directly invite them.
- Reach out to Dan Holloway for contacts to send info to the police.

**Follow Up: Homeless Awareness Month**

The events that took place during this month include:

- The Poverty simulation.
  - About 35 people participated
- HOPE Vigil
- Welcome in Shelter Sleep Out
- Law enforcement and First Responder Police Symposium
- Smart 101: How to ride the Bus
  - 12 people participated
- Elizabeth brought up starting to plan earlier for homeless awareness month. We will present it at the Annual Retreat.

**Strategic Plan & Funding**

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**Functional Sentencing –Funding**

- Recently submitted the grant application to the Michigan State Bar Foundation.
- Current grant expires at the end of December.
- Rachel will take functional sentencing to colleague of OCHN for about the detail and potential funding options

**Landlord Mitigation Fund**

No updates