



## Alliance for Housing

### **General Membership: Wednesday September 5, 2018**

Meeting Minutes- Shaquia Ballard

**Attendance:** Leah McCall (Alliance), Ashley Burton (Alliance), Shaquia Ballard (Alliance), Liz Lucas (OLHSA), Marlo Sheppard (Easterseals), Melissa Felice (OCCHI), Deborah Nelson (HOPE), Angela Simmons (HOPE), Kathy Williams (OCCHI), Alysa Wamsler (TTI), Kevin T. Bogg, Anne Venet (Salvation Army), Angela Gougherty (OCHMIS-CHN), Jessie Polib (SOS), Rustine Janizewski (VAMC-Detroit), Erinn Johnson (Lighthouse), Kelly Phillips (Common Ground), Suzanne Kimmerly (RANH), Rachel Densmore (OCHN), Debra Hendren (CHN), Sara Orris (Oakland Schools)

### **Welcome/Introductions**

Meeting was called to order by Leah McCall at 1:35  
Approval of previous minutes, Alliance Retreat, Motion: Liz Lucas, Second: Angela Gougherty  
Addition to agenda

### **New Business**

Human Trafficking Presentation- Anne Venet presented on the Salvation Army's Human Trafficking services.

- They provide case management for adult survivors/victims of human trafficking as well as training and education to members of the community, law enforcement and service providers.
- They are not a 24/7 on call agency. For more information contact the National Human Trafficking Resource Center at 888-372-7888.
- Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Rapid Rehousing-starts October 1, where HUD allows to accept people who are attempting to flee from domestic violence (Category 4 also includes human trafficking).

MSDHA ESG Application-State dollars for shelter and rapid rehousing and prevention

- The MSDHA ESG application have been submitted

### HUD Grant Application

- The Alliance is wrapping up the HUD grant application to submit by 9/18/18

### Community Resource Day

- November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Farmers Market in Royal Oak from 10am-6pm. Emails will be sent out later in September with more information.
  - Transportation was a large barrier last year impacting our attendance.

### Agency Announcements

- RANH-Utility help is still available statewide through TrueNorth Community Services
  - Criteria requirements
    - Bill has to be past due (DTE or Consumers)
    - The name and address on the id have to match the name on the bill and each member living in the household must have social security card and numbers
    - Only considers past bills if they have a new lease and requires them to have the utility in their name
- OLSHA- Tenet based rental assistance program for HIV is opening up their wait list again.

### **Community and Workgroup Reports**

Board Reports-Summary Reports- Ashley Burton (Alliance) reports current updates. It will be attached with GM minutes.

### Veteran Updates

SSVF-Currently about 14 people on the list

### Community Rapid Rehousing/Prevention Updates

- CHN-All money left is currently being utilized. However, funds are quickly being exhausted. Currently working on RRH, assessment and verification for Category 4 homelessness (DV and HT victims).
- Lighthouse-No new funds available and exhausted their funds. Funding is currently up to date.
- SOS-Granted ended September 1 and waiting for next grant cycle

### HARA Updates

There is a briefing of names to pull and we continue to recertify 120 days per MSDHA instructions.

- Project based tenet waitlist-21 supportive housing units total available

### Chronic Numbers

15 for the month of July

10 down from the month of June

### **Old business**

#### Community Referral Forms

There have been some issues with HMIS ROI and there has been discussion about changing it. OCHMIS is working on developing a community wide HMIS ROI training. More updates to come.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 2:52pm

**Next meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup> is CANCELED due to Community Resource day.**