
TUCSON PLANNING COUNCIL FOR THE HOMELESS

General Council Meeting

April 8, 2010 Minutes

Co-chairs: Linda Kot, Dia Barney

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 13, 2010, 3:00-4:30 p.m., Rillito-Sabino Rm. Sentinel Bldg., 320 N. Commerce Park Loop
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1. **Minutes.** Nancy Panico moved and Steven Nelson seconded that the March minutes be approved as presented. **Motion passed.**
2. **Presentations.**
 - **Co-chairs Report.**
 - **Change of November meeting date.** The November 11th meeting date is the Veterans' Day holiday. Nick Jones moved and Eric Cross seconded to change that meeting date to November 18th. **Motion passed without opposition or abstention**
 - **Next step.** Co Chairs will finalize the meeting location with input from the council.
 - **ID funds awards.** Lori Block reported on the \$17,000 awarded by the Arizona Department of Housing (\$15,000 for hotel vouchers for homeless women and children plus \$2,000 for ID assistance). Per the approved procedure, the review committee (Beth Carey, Sylvia Cuestas and Linda Kot) decided to award \$5,000 each for hotel vouchers to New Beginnings for Women & Children, Our Family Services, and the Salvation Army. There were seven applicants for ID assistance. The recommendation is to divide the \$2,000 among: COPE, La Frontera's RAPP Team, the Giving Tree Jobs Program, Open Inn, Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse, Southside Presbyterian Church, and Hope of Glory Ministries. Stan Hamnett moved to accept the recommendations. Don Blascak seconded. Discussion included the suggestion that future requests for proposals or letters of intent state that awards will be made only to TPCH members. **Motion passed with Youth On Their Own, CPSA, Compass, and the City of Tucson opposed; and Pima County and COPE abstaining.** Twenty-five of 34 voting members were represented, exceeding a quorum.
 - **Handclaps.** Participants expressed thanks and congratulations to Jacki Taylor, who is leaving the Arizona Coalition to End Homelessness to become CEO of Save the Family Foundation.
 - **Nominating Work Group.** Nancy Panico reported that the workgroup has not received confirmation from all nominees.
 - **Next step.** The slate will be emailed to members when all nominees are confirmed.
 - **ACEH Advocacy report.** TPCH members were asked to visit www.azceh.org for advocacy updates. These will no longer be forwarded through the TPCH list serve.
3. **Committee Reports.**
 - **HMIS.** Mary Beth Jantzen and Karen Caldwell reported. A committee workgroup continues to develop recommendations regarding HMIS reporting. The committee brought forward two motions.
 - **Motion 1. That the TPCH/Pima County governance protocol for HMIS be renewed with the changes as indicated in the copy electronically distributed prior to the meeting.** Nick Jones seconded. Members expressed concerns about: document language inconsistent with TPCH principles regarding homelessness; assignment of duties to the TPCH Executive Committee inconsistent with the operating policies; and possible changes needed due to HEARTH Act regulations, HMIS reports workgroup guidance, and anticipated HUD HMIS guidelines updates. **By agreement of maker and seconder, HMIS motion 1 was withdrawn.**

Committee Reports, HMIS motion 1 cont'd.

- **Next steps.** a.) Barbara Montrose will send suggested changes to the Committee co-chairs.
- b.) Committee/county personnel will address changes and the urgency of renewal.
- c.) An electronic vote will be scheduled if requested by Pima County.

Motion 2: That the current software and systems administrators be retained. Barbara Montrose seconded. **Motion passed with Symmetric Solutions abstaining.**

- **Continuum of Services.** Jennifer Andersen reported. The committee is preparing for release of the next HUD NOFA, and has formed four workgroups. These groups will: confirm the accuracy of the housing inventory chart (HIC) for entry to the HUD Data Exchange's electronic HIC (eHIC); review the Exhibit 1 narrative for improvements; recommend a design for the rating and ranking process; and recommend a design for the gaps analysis process design. They hope to bring recommendations to the council next month. She encouraged all members to review and submit public comment within 30 days on the city/count Consolidated Plan (ConPlan).
 - **Next step.** Leslie Carlson will send an alert to the TPCP list serve to comment on the ConPlan.
- **Tucson Homeless Connect.** Don Blascak reported. Committee has reviewed initial statistics from February, obtained Trinity Presbyterian Church's approval to use its facilities for the July 23rd event, and received the Tucson Police Department's agreement to decrease police presence at the event. He noted that this year's Sunnyside School District C.A.R.E. Fair was cancelled.
- **Discharge Planning.** Deferred. Participants offered congratulations to committee chair Dan Haley on his new position as executive director of Hope, Inc.
- **Education.** Eric Cross reported. Planning for the annual conference continues.
- **Homeless Youth.** Laurie Mazerbo reported. The committee has completed plans for its May 7th Interagency Training Day. The restaurant that initially offered to provide luncheon appears unable to do so. The committee asks that General Council approve spending \$200 from the TPCP general fund to buy lunch for 70 persons from Caridad-de Porres. Don Blascak so moved. Steve Nelson seconded. **Motion passed without opposition or abstention.**
- **Membership Committee.** Kevin Jackson reported. The committee has met twice in the past 30 days. There are no changes to the voting member roster. The committee recommends that the Executive Directors Workgroup consider incorporating language regarding voting memberships for contractors and subcontractors in the Operating Policies.
- **PTEH.** Gail Gibbons reported. The TPCP co-chairs submitted written requests that the City Council and County Board of Supervisors establish the Plan To End Homelessness (PTEH) Leadership Council as the body to continue and oversee PTEH implementation. Leslie Carlson requested endorsement for the council from CPSA and the Hospital Council of Southern Arizona; submitted a summary of PTEH accomplishments to the deputy county administrator; and continues activities in the four priority areas identified by the PTEH Task Force: improved data, public awareness; affordable housing; and improved services coordination with first responders and other initial service providers. The committee is recommending the PTEH Leadership Council be included in the ConPlan.

Per the committee's recommendation, Gail Gibbons moved that Linda Kot and Lori Block be named as TPCP representatives to the PTEH Leadership Council. Don Blascak seconded.

Motion passed with Pima County opposed, CPSA and Open Inn abstaining.

- **Emergency Services.** Brother David Buer reported. Preparations for the Summer Sun effort are underway. Donations of cases of water are needed. More than 600 bed nights have already been pledged for next year's Project Hospitality. Final statistics on this season's Operation Deep Freeze (ODF) are pending; one out-of-season ODF night was called due to aberrant weather. The Salvation Army has alerted the committee that they will commit to one more year of ODF and re-evaluate, and cannot commit to continuous shelter without compromising their other programs

4. **New Business / Minutes attachments.** Barbara Montrose asked the all any documents circulated or distributed during a meeting be attached to the minutes. Consensus was to accept this suggestion.
5. **Next Meeting.** Thursday, May 13th, 3:00-4:30 p.m., Rillito-Sabino Room, Sentinel Building, 320 N. Commerce Park Loop.

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