

HOMELESS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2015 – 11:30am

Bishop Dudley Hospitality House (101 N. Indiana Avenue) – Conference Room

Members present: Carol Muller, Jill Franken, Joan Franken, Jeff Barth, and Traci Jensen.

Members absent: Jim Meyer, Darrin Smith, Tom Wingert, Michelle Erpenbach, and Jeff Nelson.

Others present: Maria Krell, Bishop Dudley Hospitality House; Brett Johnson, Sioux Empire Homeless Coalition and Alliance; Gary Helder, Community Outreach, and Stacey Tieszen, Coordinator for the Homeless Advisory Board.

I. Business

A. Approval of Minutes – 05/11/15

- Upon motion by Jeff Barth, and seconded by Traci Jensen, the Board approved the minutes of the 05/11/15 meeting as provided. Carried unanimously.

B. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items

- Brett Johnson, Chair of the Sioux Empire Homeless Coalition, shared about the next Project Connect. He stated it will be on October 6 in the Siouxland Health and Human Services Building (521 N. Main Avenue). He will provide more information as the details are solidified. Also, the Statewide SD Housing for the Homeless Annual Consortium will be in Chamberlain on June 9th and 10th. It is free and open to anyone interested in homelessness. Ken Kraybill is the main speaker and he will be talking about Motivational Interviewing.

II. Program

A. 2025 Plan to Address Homelessness in the Sioux Falls Area

- Stacey Tieszen reviewed the Plan with the Board including the final goals, objectives and activities. Discussed the next steps and creating committees to implement the goals. Shared an outline of committees and asked each Board member to serve on one of the committees. Jeff Barth asked that the committees be named action teams. This was agreed to by present Board members. Stacey Tieszen will present this Plan at the Joint City/County meeting on June 23. Jeff Barth asked the method of presentation and Tieszen shared there will be a powerpoint with highlights of the Plan for a broad overview. Barth offered to help with the prepping for the presentation.

B. 2015 SD Homeless Count Data – Informational

- Stacey Tieszen shared with the Board the latest point in time homeless count data issued by the SD Housing Development Authority. The Count was conducted in January per Housing and Urban Development (HUD) guidelines. 463 people were identified as homeless in Minnehaha County which included 126 children. 2014 data showed 488 homeless people so 2015 was a slight decrease. Statewide the overall numbers were up from 2014 at 1,036 people identified.

C. Statewide 10 Year Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness – Quality of Life Begins at Home

- Stacey Tieszen shared the efforts of the SD Housing for the Homeless Consortium on their 10 Year Plan. Jake Cummings, the Continuum of Care Planner, has worked diligently on an existing document and made modifications for it. It will be presented at the Consortium meeting in June for feedback and guidance. It remains a challenge to figure out how to implement a statewide homeless document, but it has become a requirement of HUD for all CoC recipients. More will be shared as the document becomes finalized.

D. Community Trends – Update

- Stacey Tieszen shared the latest trends and data for agency providers pertaining to homelessness via the Snapshot document.

III. Information and Training Opportunities

- SD Housing for the Homeless Annual Consortium Summit – Chamberlain, SD on June 9th and 10th.

IV. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 12:55pm.