



CoC Steering Committee Meeting Summary

Date: Friday, March 20th, 2020

Location: Call-in

Time: 9:30-11:30am

Co-Chairs in attendance: Kristen Mitchell (DSS), Alyson Zikmund (HPD), Carrie Bloss (Project Hospitality)

Voting Members in attendance: Courtney Christenson (CSH alternate), Michelle Mulcahy (Enterprise), William Lang (ACL), Tierra Labrada (The Network), Catherine Trapani (HSU), Jamie Powlovich (CHY), Jessica Jeavons (DOHMH), Kevin Thrun (DHS), John Rojas (HRA), Howard Charton (Breaking Ground), Kelly O'Sullivan (Jericho Project), Jha'asryel-Akquil Bishop (YAB), Cameron Craig (PWLEx), DeBorah Dickerson (PWLEx), and Maddox Guerilla (YAB).

Additional attendees: Martha Kenton (DSS), Jeannette Ruffins (West End Residences), Amanda Slater (DSS), and Amma Bosompem (HRA alternate).

Items Discussed

1. February Steering Committee Meeting Summary reviewed and approved with updates to attendance listed
 2. Housekeeping
 - Welcome & Introduction of third Steering Committee Co-Chair, Carrie Bloss.
 - Meetings of the CoC will be held virtually for the foreseeable future.
 3. 2019 NOFA
 - Discussion of 2019 NOFA Tier II funding awards and delayed 2019 grant agreements.
 4. HIC/PIT extended deadline extended from April 30th to June 30th, 2020.
 5. Discussion of Committees
 - Report out of CAPS, Performance Management, Youth Action Board, Persons with Lived Experience, Governance and Veterans Committee activities.
 - Update of request to form a Domestic Violence Special Committee.
 6. COVID-19 response efforts for CoC community
 - Discussion of COVID-19 planning and response efforts in NYC surrounding supply shortages, RHY Drop-In Centers, increased shelter operation costs, visitors and shared spaces in congregate settings, and Enrichment centers for children in shelter. Update on DSS FHPR team communication strategy to share resources and updated guidance with CoC community.
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Action Items

1. Follow-up with HUD Field & SNAPS Office on 2019 grant agreements with start dates between January 1 – June 1, 2020. Responsible party: Steering Committee Co-Chairs.
 2. Convene discussion of request letter to form committee and review DV representation in the NYC CoC. Responsible party: Steering Committee Co-Chairs, HRA voting member, and Authors of DV Request Letter.
 3. COVID-19 inquiry follow-ups on RHY Drop-In Centers, CITYPHEPS voucher suspension, budget modifications to offset increased cost of operations, and guidance on congregate settings. Post updated resources for homeless service providers on CoC website. Responsible party: Steering Committee and FHPR Team.
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