Minutes

Supportive Housing Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2017
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
CABQ Department of Family Community Services 5th Floor Conference Room

Type of meeting: 16th meeting: New subcommittee member introductions and review of single site project work thus far.

Members Present: Robert Baade, Constance Banuelos, Sister Agnes Kaczmarek, Laura Carlisle, Laura Nguyen, Elaine Miller
Members Excused: Mark Walch, Lisa Domenici, Jason Vaillancourt (alternate)
Staff Person Present: Cathy Imburgia
Technical Advisors Present: Lisa Huval, Kelley Lee
Meeting Observers:

Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Robert Baade, Supportive Housing Subcommittee chair.

Discussion to Approve Agenda
Agenda was approved.

Discussion to Approve Minutes
Minutes from the July 11, 2017 meeting were approved.

Key Items of Discussion

Subcommittee Updates
- Michelle Valencia Stark announced that she can no longer serve on the subcommittee due to personal circumstances. In her resignation, she noted: “I wish all of you the best as you move forward with the single site project. It has been an honor to work with such civic-minded people.”
- Cathy noted that Jason Vaillancourt will need to move from an alternate into the member role. Cathy will verify if a new alternate will be appointed.
- Voting subcommittee members now include: Robert Baade – Chair, Sister Agnes Kaczmarek – Vice Chair, Constance Banuelos, Laura Nguyen, Laura Carlisle, Mark Walch, Lisa Domenici, Elaine Miller, and Jason Vaillancourt.
- Cathy reported that following individuals are confirmed Technical Advisors: Kelley Lee, Lisa Huval. Karen Meador/ Lisa Howley, Betty Valdez, Heidi Jordan. She has not yet heard back from Louella Arellano, Britt Baca-Miller and Gina Bell and will continue to include them on distribution.
- As a reminder, it was agreed to continue to hold Supportive Housing meetings the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 pm, noting that if needed, meetings may go as late as 7 pm.
New Business
A.) Continued discussions of the Single Site Housing proposal
   - Per Lisa Huval’s suggestion at the last meeting, the agenda started with discussions under New Business, regarding the Single Site Housing Proposal. Specifically:
     - Identify Best Practices
     - Description of Intended Intervention/Logic Mode
   - As the Single Site Housing model is a relatively new concept to CABQ/Bernco, it was agreed that Cathy will try to obtain “best practices” from the individuals who hosted the Denver trip and have developed the “Tool Kit”.
   - **ACTION:** Cathy will contact Zoe LeBeau, who will be contracted by CABQ, to obtain know “best practices.”
   - Much of the remainder of the meeting focused on the description of the Intended Intervention with concerns raised about what do we do with populations that may not be successful in a single site model. The intent of the project and descriptions of target populations were revisited. Per the draft proposal:
     
     The target populations may include individuals who have not been successfully housed in community-based, scattered site, permanent supportive housing; have low independent living skills; have been referred for court-ordered Assisted Outpatient Treatment; and are adults diagnosed with SMI. Based on provider input, it is estimated that more than 1,000 Bernalillo County residents could benefit from single-site housing.
   
   - It was agreed that discussions about populations that may not be successful in a single site model may be best for consideration as another proposed housing project, i.e. group homes for persons with disabilities, etc. It was noted that this level of continuing care appears to be a growing need in the community.
   - Through the discussions, an existing integrated housing model called Downtown @ 700, located at 700 2nd Street NW, was referenced. The site includes 20 percent housing for high needs homeless individuals and is an “integrated micro efficiency community, located in downtown Albuquerque, offering fully furnished efficiency apartments. Amenities include large furnished communal spaces and an in-house café,” per the website description.
   - It was recommended that the subcommittee tour the facility to better understand single site living arrangements and to potentially hold the next meeting at the site.
   - **ACTION:** Kelley agreed to check with management at the Downtown @ 700 building to determine if we can meet there at and tour the facility. **NOTE:** We are able to meet there for our next meeting, Sept. 12.
   - In considering the design of the structure it was noted that NM DOH requires 2 or more ADL (Activity of Daily Living) to met the code requirement for design and licensure for tenants.
   - It was also noted that considerations for smooth transitions in the levels of care should be a goal in a single housing model to best benefit individuals.

Old Business
A.) Steering Committee Meeting Update
   - The following topics were discussed at the July 20 meeting:
     - Data Driven Justice Institute grant submitted. **NOTE:** Notification was received after the meeting
that the grant is awarded;
- Bernco presented at the NACo (National Association Counties): Stepping up the initiative on frequent utilizers of the jail behavioral health;
- Review and Approval of City of Albuquerque’s Transportation Proposal, with discussions including to change the proposed route to include CYFD, JJC, First Nation, MTN View Community Center, Five Points, Joy Junction and other resource centers. Possibly have 2 smaller buses to cover additional areas. COA is to bring back a detailed report including these areas on the routes and there was a motion made to change Case Manager to Navigator.
- Increase of the RRC (Resource Re-Entry Center) Construction Budget by $400,000 due to major issues with water lines and windows.

B.) Subcommittee Projects Underway
- Crisis: Looking for respite issues, definitions and concepts. Jim Ogle is now the new chair.
- Prevention: Working on finalizing the prevention, education and stigma reduction proposal. They are proposing a one-time fee of $9 million over a 3-year implementation.
- Community Support: Working on the COA’s transportation and substance abuse treatment case management proposals for completion and reviews at the next meeting.

C.) ABCGC Meeting
- There was no meeting in July. Next ABCGC meeting is August 29.
- The September meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19.

Public Comment: None

Next Meeting and Adjourn

a) Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Next meeting: September 12, 2017 at 5:00 – 6:30 (NOTE: Meet at 5 for tour and may end at 7:00 p.m., if needed), at the Downtown @ 700 Bldg. Meet at the entrance located on 2nd and Lomas Streets.

NOTE: Please call Cathy at 302-420-6588 or Kelley Lee at 505-377-3648 if you need directions or assistance gaining access to building.