

WCICCC Conference Call
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October 16, 10:30 a.m.

Tammi Lonergan, MCS Community Services (Jacksonville)
Jerry Gille, Quincy Housing Authority (Quincy)
Emily Robberts, United Way of Adams County (Quincy)
Krista Kuntz, Regional Office of Education (ROE) #46 (Jacksonville)
Lori Sutton, Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs/WIU (Macomb)
Cynthia Stiffler, Samaritan Well, Inc (Macomb)
Amanda Davis, Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs/WIU (Macomb)
Heidi Welty, Salvation Army (Quincy)
Suzan Nash, Western Illinois Regional Council (Macomb)
Mary Muehlenfeld, YWCA of Quincy
Jasmine Locke, Madonna House (Quincy)
Cynthia Grawe, Madonna House (Quincy)
Elaine Davis, Two Rivers Regional Council (Quincy)
Lori Hartz, Prairieland United Way (Jacksonville)
Dona Leanard, Crisis Center Foundation (Jacksonville)
Vanessa Tyus, New Directions (Jacksonville)
Jennifer Vancil, QUANADA (Quincy)
Carolyn Chaenny, Two River Regional Council (Quincy)

Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Welcome
3. Provider Update and/or Personnel Changes
 - a. Madonna House- no personnel changes, two rooms available, but one will be filled soon.
 - b. QUANADA- no updates, 6 available rooms but calling waiting list. Jennifer replacing Marlana Frier.
 - c. MCS- No personnel changes, one opening in permanent housing for someone with a disability.
 - d. Samaritan Well- Both Men and Women shelters are at capacity. No personnel changes.
 - e. Salvation Army- two personnel changes, one as needed, potential full time. Over full.
 - f. Western Illinois Regional Council- no personnel changes, two units are still full.
 - g. Prairieland United Way- No changes, forging ahead with campaign.
 - h. Quincy Housing Authority- One personnel change, 98% occupied in public housing. Taking on 80 additional project base vouchers with Country Club Heights.
 - i. Two River Regional Council- still taking applications for the housing program but we are full.
 - j. YMCA of Quincy- No personnel changes, no openings, had to shut down two units from mold issues, but hope to have them open in November. New projects, relocated from transitional to permanent, signed grant agreement, waiting 30 days to go thru HUD, 5 more houses in December.
 - k. United Way in Quincy- No staff changes.
 - l. Regional Office of Education- No staff changes.
 - m. New Directions- Full.
4. CoC Grant
 - a. Applications due the October 30.
 - b. We have to make a 2% cut to budgets. Review Committee consists of Barb Baker Chapin, Dona Leanard, and Bill Jacobs with Lori Sutton providing guidance. Barb has helped several years with reviewing CoC projects.
 - c. YWCA and MCS were the two entities applying this year with renewals. The YWCA did apply for a planning grant on behalf of the CoC as the Collaborative Applicant.
 - d. We can apply for one year of funding with our renewals. Tier 1 is normally considered the safe tier; it is the amount of our annual renewals less 2% this year. All our renewals were put in Tier 1 and the planning grant was put in Tier 2.

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- e. The Review Committee asked MCS Community Services to cut \$8,000 in expenses from their two renewal programs and the YWCA was asked to cut \$4,748 from its four renewal programs. The organizations could decide where they would like to make the cuts within their programs. Please see the one-page write with the minutes for further explanation.
 - f. Planning grant, if funded, will be used for coordinated assessment and creation of evaluation tool for the CoC and ESG programs. The YWCA is asking for match and leverageing from other entities in the CoC since these benefits the CoC as a whole. If your organization can help, please let Mary Muehlenfeld know.
 - i. The match on the grant is approximately \$2,000. Lori will send out a spreadsheet to entities that receive funding thru the CoC to see if they can help with the match. The amount will be proportioned to funding received.
 - ii. Leverageing is in kind hours of staff. A leverageing letter will be sent to organizations that received funding thru the CoC, free HMIS, and the board. The letter is based on \$1,800 which is around 5 hours a month salary and fringe benefits working on coordinated assessment/evaluation efforts.
 - g. There has been a re-assignment of office load and Nora Lally will no longer be our CoC rep in Chicago HUD office. Our new rep will be Sarah Ciampi.
5. ESG
- a. From HUD Peer-to-Peer: Nora Lally, HUD Chicago Office, indicated there is an emphasis on rapid rehousing funding.
 - b. Homeless prevention, research shows it doesn't really work, can see over the years that they will no longer fund it. Same thing was said about transitional housing. HUD DC headquarters stated starting 2015 when rewarding points to continuum programs, stated we would be docked points for moving homeless into transitional housing instead of permeant housing. Our HUD rep knew nothing about this.
 - c. Our CoC put a limit on Rapid Rehousing funds that we may want to have the board consider removing.
6. WCI Council
- a. September 23: WCI Council Information Meeting for New Board Members
7. HMIS
- a. Collaborate 2014 (October 8-10) in Chicago, Bowman User Summit, Coordinated Assessment & HUD Standards
 - i. New standards went to affect October 1st. Operating on new standards, there may be a new webinar to make sure everyone understands. Make sure everyone is collecting the data
 - ii. New Directions is getting set up
 - iii. Big part of Coordinating Assessment is prioritizing waiting list
 - iv. VI-SPDAT is a free program within ServicePoint that will be turned on, this will prioritizing who is in our programs; once we go to training we can use the full program. Everyone will be assessed and the higher your score the higher up you'll be on the list, based on vulnerability.
 - b. HMIS User Agreements & Agency/Partner Agreements
 - c. Annual assessment housing report (AHAR) is due November 15th in the HUD database.
8. Other
- a. Homeless Symposium (October 17), Spoon River Outreach Center in Macomb, Cost: \$20, Jude Kiah will be the keynote speaker
9. Meeting Schedule
- a. November 13: MCS Community Services, 345 West State, Jacksonville, call in number: 309-298-3680
 - b. January 8: conference call
 - c. February 12: Western Illinois Regional Council, 223 South Randolph, Macomb
 - d. March 12: conference call
 - e. April 9: conference call
 - f. May 14: YWCA Quincy

WCICCC 2014 HUD CoC Competition Project Ranking

The CoC Program Application Committee met October 7, 2014 at 3 p.m. to discuss the six projects that needed to be ranked for the 2014 HUD CoC Competition. The CoC Program Application Committee consisted of Dona Leonard, Barb Baker Chapin, and Bill Jacobs. Lori Sutton the Support Entity guided them thru the process. Bill Jacobs had to leave the meeting early. YWCA of Quincy and MCS Community Services of Jacksonville were the two entities with projects to be ranked.

In this year's competition, HUD had two tiers. Tier 1 is equal to the CoC's annual renewal demand (ARD) amount approved in the registration process, less 2%. Tier 2 is the amount between a CoC's Tier 1 and the CoC's ARD, plus any approved amounts for CoC planning. The ARD for the CoC is \$637,373, less the 2% cut of \$12,748, means that Tier 1 is equal to \$624,625. Tier 1 is normally considered safe funding.

Lori provided the group a spreadsheet with overall performance data. The committee examined:

- CoC Participation
- HMIS Data Completeness of Universal Data Elements
- Recidivism
- Housing Stability
- Client Income & Employment, including Mainstream Benefits
- Recaptured Funds
- Point-in-Time Counts

Based on the overall performance, both organizations were very close. YWCA scored 259 points or 86% of total points and MCS received 249 points or 83% of total points. In order to make sure both providers were able to keep their programs, it was decided that the cut would be split between the two providers. The group focused on the recaptured funds and discussion was held. The providers on the committee were concerned about the amount of funds that were unspent and recaptured. The grantees need to work with HUD to spend the funds within the grant period. **It was decided that MCS would be asked to cut \$8,000 from their projects and YWCA would cut \$4,748 from their projects. The providers could decide which project and the amount from each project, just as long as the overall cut was made.**

Next, project ranks were examined. In order to make sure the HMIS was not jeopardized, there was a bonus added to those projects to move them up to rank 1 and 2. There were three projects tied for 3rd with a score of 245. These were ranked based on the organization's overall performance. Points were not given in the drawdown of funds because one of the organizations noted that the funder had caused delays that resulted in some of the drawdown issues.

Ranking will be as follows:

Rank 1	YWCA A
Rank 2	YWCA B
Rank 3	YWCA C
Rank 4	YWCA D
Rank 5	MCS PSH 1
Rank 6	MCS PSH 2

