

[RESOURCE GENERATION]

HUD Releases Notice of Funding Availability

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development released its FY2012 Continuum of Care notice of funding availability on November 9. As the Continuum of Care lead agency and collaborative applicant, Community Shelter Board is coordinating local efforts to complete the consolidated application according to HUD requirements. This is the first application under the new HEARTH Act and significant changes are being implemented by HUD. For example, each project is now required to be ranked using a community-defined ranking process. Partner agencies will complete project applications to be included in the submission. The deadline for submitting the consolidated application to HUD is January 18, 2013.

[CRISIS RESPONSE]

Adult System Redesign

The Core Team was formed to develop specific, detailed recommendations regarding the new crisis response model for single adults experiencing homelessness. Membership includes direct service providers, formerly homeless individuals, CSB staff and board members, public and private funders and grassroots advocates.

As the Core Team continues to meet on a monthly basis, subgroups have been reporting out on their initial work. The Navigator sub group reported out a framework for the Navigator design. They have proposed that the Navigators work in teams that could be made up of a Care Coordinator to oversee the team, a housing locator, employment specialist, permanent supportive housing specialist, case aide, and housing retention specialist. This group held a focus group discussion with other shelter and housing providers and incorporated their feedback into the design. The Navigator sub group, along with the other sub groups, are also taking the feedback received from the members of the Core Team to further refine their models.

Sub groups are continuing to meet and they welcome any feedback and input. Please contact Erin Maus at emaus@csb.org for additional information.

In the meantime, the Strategy Group reconvened in October to reconnect to and be briefed on the work of the Core Team and sub groups on the redesign of the adult crisis response system. They also began work on strategic issues that are emerging as this change

process begins to build momentum. The Strategy Group is made up of national thought leaders, key community stakeholders and funders, and partner agency CEOs who came together for the first time in 2011 to create the conceptual model of the new crisis response system.

[GATEWAY]

HEARTH Webinar Coming in December

Over the past year, HUD gradually released components of the HEARTH Act: Continuum of Care, Emergency Solutions Grants Program, the federal definition of homelessness, and HMIS requirements. In total, the new rules amount to several hundred pages of revised legislation with significant, immediate operational changes for CSB and partner agencies.

In an effort to keep partner agencies current with the changing funding landscape, CSB will offer a training webinar in mid-December. The webinar will cover significant changes to the local CoC and ESG programs. All providers are encouraged to participate. Specific information about the date and log in will be sent to all partner agencies later this month. Please contact Noel Welsh at nwelsh@csb.org for additional information.

[IN THE SPOTLIGHT]

Advisory Council

Michelle Heritage and CSB board member Tim Miller hosted a meeting of CSB's Advisory Council on November 5. The group gathered to be briefed on the status of the adult system redesign and to offer experience and guidance to Michelle and the board during this time of significant change.

National Leaders to Visit Columbus

Michelle Heritage will host city and state leaders from New York, Los Angeles, Michigan, Seattle, Philadelphia, Virginia, Chicago and Fort Worth to learn about and tour CSB's homeless system since it is considered a national model. The group will visit Columbus on December 5 and 6 during their meeting of the Leadership Council of the National Alliance to End Homelessness.

Michelle chairs the Leadership Council of the National Alliance to End Homelessness. Representatives of cities and states that are on the forefront in addressing homelessness participate in the Leadership Council, aimed at building a national network of leaders on the issue. Members of the Leadership Council work together to identify best practices and advance shared federal policy goals. The Council provides a forum for members to exchange ideas about what has helped to produce good results in their communities and to suggest ways to overcome the challenges they face. Members come together around a shared federal policy agenda and meet with key decision makers on the issues they feel are most important.

Amy Price Honored as Pride Leadership Graduate

Amy Price, CSB's Director of Programs and Planning, graduated from United Way's Pride Leadership program in October. The Pride Leadership program works to increase volunteer opportunities for people in the lesbian, gay, bi-sexual and transgender community. The program involves an intense eight-month training curriculum designed to prepare participants for effective service on a not-for-profit board or leadership position.



Amy Price and Michelle Heritage

Clintonville Rotary

Michelle Heritage visited the Clintonville Rotary in early November to provide an update about CSB's work to end homelessness. In appreciation and support, the Rotary will work with the YWCA Family Center to provide new materials for their library.

Tours

In October, CSB provided a tour for Emily Savors of The Columbus Foundation. Emily toured Rebecca's Place and Friends of the Homeless. Randy Randolph and Doug Herron of Safelite visited Friends of the Homeless and Volunteers of America's rapid re-housing program. Also in October, we provided a tour for Doreen DeLaney, Mark Russell and Patti Eshman of Grange Insurance, of the YWCA Family Center and Volunteers of America's men's shelter. Hyman Albritton and Michael Broidy of Schottenstein Stores visited Rebecca's Place and the Salvation Army.

Upcoming Meetings

- < Check out the interactive calendar at www.csb.org under Resources for our Partners < Meetings

2012 Chili Cook-off Results Are In



Lianna Barbu is two-time winner of the CSB Chili cook-off and Denise Ansback wowed the crowd and won best pumpkin. Congratulations to them both.