

Government of the District of Columbia Interagency Council on Homelessness

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**Date:** October 13, 2020 **Time:** 1:30pm to 3:00pm **Location:** WebEx & Teleconference

## **Meeting Note**

## I. Welcome & Call to Order

Director Greenwalt (ICH) welcomed attendees, shared the meeting agenda and purpose, and provided context for the agenda's discussion items.

### II. Items for Approval

## a. Winter Plan

Director Greenwalt introduced the FY21 Winter Plan that was developed by the ICH Emergency Response and Shelter Operations Committee (ERSO) for approval by the Executive Committee. Director Greenwalt provided a brief overview of the FY21 Winter Plan focusing on the estimated capacity needs for this winter, the number of beds that are currently planned for the season, and the shelter/transportation operational changes due to COVID. Director Greenwalt noted that the District Economic Recovery Team (DERT) will continue to be used to monitor key indicators, and that key trends/changes will be shared with ERSO stakeholders as we determine if/when overflow capacity is needed during the winter.

Please note: Hypothermia Alerts will be sent out through both HopeOneSource and HSEMA as in past years.

The Executive Committee approved the Fiscal Year 2021 Winter Plan.

# b. Homeward DC 2.0: Strategy for Editing/Finalizing

Director Greenwalt explained that the ICH Strategic Planning Committee is seeking the Executive Committee's approval to "re-open" Homeward DC 2.0, which was previously approved. ICH Full Council approved Homeward DC 2.0 plan in March 2020, but the public release was put on hold as District agencies turned their focus to COVID response. When returning to the plan this summer, it was decided that a re-read of the plan would be beneficial. The ICH Strategic Planning Committee executed a re-read of the plan and recommends making a number of small but important changes and edits, mainly focusing on racial equity. With approval, the tentative schedule for Homeward DC 2.0 is that ICH staff will work on incorporating new text in October, the Strategic Planning Committee will review/finalize new text in October-November, and the Strategic Planning Committee will submit plan to the Executive Committee for adoption in December. See the attached handout for a summary of proposed Homeward DC 2.0 edits.

The Executive Committee approved "re-opening" the previously approved plan.

## III. For Discussion

# a. Partnership to End Homelessness (PTEH) Update

Tonia Wellons, Silvana Straw, and Jennifer Olney of the Greater Washington Community Foundation provided an update on the Partnership to End Homelessness (PTEH). The Partnership to End Homelessness in DC, led by the Greater Washington Community Foundation and the DC Interagency Council on Homelessness, is the first-of-its-kind initiative in the District to bring together the public and private sectors to ensure homelessness is rare, brief, and non-recurring— with an emphasis on bringing the private sector to the table. The Partnership has executed on these goals through fundraising, grant making, advocacy, organizing, public education, and commitment to racial equity. PTEH noted that thus far they have \$1.67 million in grantmaking for housing and homelessness in DC, raised \$2 million for their Grantmaking Fund, raised and granted \$1.3 million for housing and homelessness in DC through the COVID Emergency Response Fund, and leveraged \$8 million to invest \$28.1MM in affordable housing in Washington, DC.

## IV. Updates & Announcements

Robert Warren shared information about multiple DC Council bills that have been introduced. For more information, contact The Way Home DC here: <u>https://www.thewayhomedc.org/miriamskitchen/?0</u>. Nechama Masliansky noted that that United Way of the National Capital Area's 2020 Project Community Connect will be held on October 19-23<sup>rd</sup>. More information can be found at: <u>https://unitedwaynca.org/programs/financial-stability/project-community-connect/</u>. Nonprofit service providers that want to connect for events and/or for material donations, please email Nedelka Phillip (nphillip@uwnca.org).

### V. Summary & Adjournment

The meeting was then adjourned.

### Next Executive Committee Meeting:

Date: 11/10/2020 Time: 1:30p to 3:00p Location: WebEx & Teleconference