

# Government of the District of Columbia Interagency Council on Homelessness

# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Date:** May 14, 2019 **Time:** 1:30p to 3:30p **Location:** One Judiciary Square (441 4 St NW)

# **Meeting Participants**

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# **Meeting Notes**

#### 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. Approval of Minutes from Prior Meeting & Agenda Review

The participants around the table unanimously approved the meeting minutes from the March Executive Committee meeting.

# III. Items for Approval/Adoption

a. 2019 HUD CoC Competition: Community Priorities and Project Application Scoring Framework

Director Greenwalt introduced representatives from The Community Partnership (TCP) to discuss the HUD CoC funding competition for this year. Each year, TCP as the Collaborative Applicant, solicits feedback and approval from the community on how the community wishes to prioritize federal funding for the next year. TCP first discussed the feedback they received from the ICH Strategic Planning and Youth Committees regarding project ranking criteria, prioritizing projects in the ranking, and considerations for bonus opportunities to receive new funding. Next, the presenters outlined TCP/ICH recommendations to the Executive Committee to receive approval on a number of key issues raised during the Strategic Planning and Youth Committee meetings. The Executive Committee approved all

TCP/ICH recommendations. For a full list of approved recommendations, see slides 7 - 10 in the attached PowerPoint.

#### b. 2019 Point-in-Time Results

TCP presented the results of the District's 2019 Point-in-Time count, which reflects the number of persons and families experiencing homelessness in the District, staying either in shelter, temporary housing, or on the street on the evening of January 23, 2019. This year's count indicates a 5.5 percent reduction in the overall number of persons experiencing homelessness since last year's count, amounting to a cumulative 21.9 percent decrease since 2016, the year Mayor Bowser began implementing her Homeward DC plan.

For additional information and details on the results of this year's PIT, see the attached PowerPoint.

#### IV. Discussion Items

#### a. PIT Plus Survey

Director Greenwalt introduced representatives from the Department of Human Services (DHS) to present the initial results of the PIT Plus Survey. The CoC conducted a qualitative analysis along with its 2019 PIT count – the "PIT Plus" – which included questions that will help the CoC better understand inflow patterns among persons newly experiencing or re-experiencing homelessness. In particular, the PIT Plus included questions for participants to respond to in narrative form where they could describe what they thought were the primary causes of their experience of homelessness and what could have prevented it. This information will be used by the CoC to help determine what kinds of prevention resources are needed as well as what other kinds of system supports could help keep individuals housed once they exit CoC resources. Moreover, the PIT Plus asked questions about whether or not participants were connected with health care resources in the community, had participated in the community's coordinated entry system, whether participants had lived in institutional settings in the past, and about the size and scope of participants social networks. These questions will also be used by the CoC to better understand individuals experiencing homelessness with an eye toward developing new, innovative programming that meets their specific needs.

DHS presented their initial findings from the PIT Plus Survey and will continue analyzing the data throughout May and the beginning of June. The Executive Committee agreed to focus most of the June ICH Full Council meeting on the results of the PIT Plus Survey. For additional information on the PIT Plus results, see the attached PowerPoint slides and "2019 Point in Time Plus Survey: Part One — Initial Findings."

# V. Summary and Adjournment

**Next Executive Committee Meeting:** 

**Date:** 07/09/2019 **Time:** 1:30p to 3:30p **Location:** 441 4<sup>th</sup> St NW, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor