

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH)**



**Committee:** Strategic Planning

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, October 30, 2018 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** 1350 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Room 201

**Call-In Information:** N/A

**Agenda Items & Notes**

- Update on data for system modeling for Homeward DC - Kristy Greenwalt focused the conversation on the family system modeling and shared data about the original assumptions in the Homeward DC plan. She thanked the Community Partnership for all of their work in gathering data. She then updated the group with what has actually happened and how it impacts the modeling. For example, the longer than expected lengths of stay in shelter and in rapid-rehousing have impacted shelter modeling and the number of slots needed for the rapid re-housing program. There was a healthy discussion about striking a balance between using historical data versus using optimistic projections, and also about the role of transitional housing in the family system. In terms of next steps, there will be a working group to look at data for the singles system and another working group to finish discussion the family data. The November 27 Strategic Planning Committee meeting will focus on the next steps for this data.
- Procurement Updates
  - Families - DHS has started placing families at both The Kennedy (W-4) and The Horizon (W-7) STFH. The ribbon cutting for Ward 8 (The Triumph) is tentatively scheduled for Nov. 13 at 4 p.m. There are zero families at DCG as of 10/29/18.
  - HSRA: DHS started training shelter and homelessness prevention staff on the new HSRA changes. DHS will roll out the training to all providers who provide case management services for families. DHS is also working on communication documents on the changes for stakeholders and Families.
  - Singles – SOAR was awarded to Miriam's Kitchen and Pathways to Housing and they are working to hire and begin providing services, otherwise nothing new on that front. Carter is following up on the impact of the SOAR contract on requirements for other providers in terms of having SOAR certified staff. There is an active Request for Applications for shelter diversion/rapid exit program. Applications are due on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Youth – There is an active RFP out for a 24 hour drop in center. Multiple federal grants were awarded for street outreach and transitional housing programs for youth.

**Next meeting** - Tuesday, November 27, 2:30– 4:00 p.m.