



District of Columbia
Interagency Council on Homelessness



ERSO Committee
April 22, 2020

Meeting Agenda



- I. Welcome & Call to Order
- II. Updates
 - I. General Updates
 - II. COVID Related Updates
- III. Winter Plan Debrief
- IV. Work Plan Feedback
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Updates



- ❖ Shelter Construction:
 - 801 East
 - ✓ Foundation to grade to start in May.
- ❖ Franklin Park:
 - Fencing off the park/construction has been put on hold.

COVID-19 Updates



❖ DHS Updates:

- Provided weekly through Friday DHS Provider/Partner Conference Calls
- Additional Updates:
 - ✓ Updated bathroom and hand washing station maps are on the DHS Website
 - ✓ Laundry has started at shelters and laundry trailer has been acquired
 - ✓ Showers/charging for unsheltered individuals is being worked on

❖ DBH Updates:

- CRT
 - ✓ Is continuing operations as normal and has been identifying hotspot areas, handing out waters, and working to get individuals interested into both mental health and substance use treatment.
 - ✓ Is still responding to crisis throughout the city.
- DCOR teams
 - ✓ Are maintaining their usual schedule and working closely with the DHS outreach providers.
- Core Service Agencies (CSAs)
 - ✓ Many have moved toward regular telehealth contacts, although some are still providing in person services.
 - ✓ Are still open for intakes.
- ACT Teams
 - ✓ Continue to provide unaltered services and are providing both regular engagement and crisis response services. CSAs/ACT teams have been coordinating closely with CRT to better serve consumers.

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Winter Plan Debrief



❖ Feedback from the group?

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Work Plan



- ❖ With new priorities coming out of Homeward DC 2.0
 - Committees have been tasked to develop work plans that reflect these priorities as well as other stated duties.
 - In February we received feedback from the ERSO Committee regarding our Work Plan. A draft Work Plan was created based on that feedback and sent around ahead of this meeting.
 - We will gain additional feedback today and then an updated work plan will be reviewed by the Executive Committee in May.

Work Plan



❖ Work Plan Feedback?

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Heat Plan



- ❖ 2019 Heat Plan had a dedicated chapter
 - “Guidance for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness”
 - ✓ We planned to do a similar chapter this year
- ❖ A draft was sent to this group, but due to COVID-19 this plan is going to need to be modified significantly
 - We are working with HSEMA on this
 - Understanding the constraints of COVID-19 does the group have ideas/thoughts for the plan?

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