



# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

## YOUTH COMMITTEE

**SOLID FOUNDATIONS DC:**  
Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Youth Homelessness

<b>Meeting Details</b>	<b>Date:</b> 13 April 2023	<b>Time:</b> 1:30 – 3 pm	<b>Location:</b> <a href="#">Webex</a>
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### Meeting Notes

#### I. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Jorge Membreno (Advisor, ICH) welcomed attendees and walked through the housekeeping slides on:

- Recording committee meetings,
- Using the chat function for introductions and partner announcements/reminders,
- Adopting prior meeting notes and joining the meeting listserv.

He also quickly oriented members to the meeting agenda, emphasizing that today’s meeting will focus on Agency Presentations of the Mayor’s Proposed Budget. For those who were expecting and are interested in the Homeless Youth Census results, he identified that the results would be available at the 04/18 ICH Youth CAHP Policy Workgroup meeting.

#### II. ICH COMMENTS TO THE MAYOR’S PROPOSED BUDGET

There were five (5) parts to this discussion.

##### A. LEGISLATED MANDATE & REQUEST FROM COUNCIL

Director Theresa Silla (ICH) provided an overview of the Comments to the Mayor’s Proposed Budget, including:

- An introduction to the legislated mandate,
- The request from Council to expedite Comments and make them available for Council Mark-Up, and
- ICH efforts to accommodate the request.

See slides 7 – 9 for details.

##### B. CFSA BUDGET PRESENTATION

Tanya Torres Trice (Chief of Staff, CFSA) and Natalie Craver (Deputy of Community Partnerships) covered the CFSA presentations. See slides 11 – 28 for details.

##### Concerns/Recommendations/Feedback

- **Services for Victims of Domestic Violence**
  - **Q:** What special policies are in place for families encountering homelessness due to domestic violence?  
**A:** DHS at Virginia Williams Family Resource Center (VWFRC) coordinates homeless services for families. Both CFSA and Domestic Violence providers are integrated into the VWFRC intake process. Additionally, CFSA is reviewing neglect statutes, and one of the proposed changes relates to documenting DV as part

of the reporting mandate for the hotline.

- **Services for Undocumented Families**

- **Q:** What services do undocumented families qualify for? Do undocumented families qualify for FUP?  
**A:** Will need to review program requirements.

- **Q:** At recent townhalls meetings with the Office of Migrant Services/DHS, there were a few families with children with special needs. What is the most appropriate office to refer to services for the child, DBH, DOH, or others?

**A:** The DCPS Student Placement Office and Language Acquisition Division is working with DHS to support migrant families and any school-age children new to the city.

- **FUP Resource Utilization**

- **Q:** Are resources dedicated to improving communication to ensure youth are aware of programs? Concern that Family Unification Program (FUP) resources are underutilized.

**A:** FUP resources are available as eligible youth and families are identified case-by-case.

- **Availability of Housing Resources**

- **Q:** Is there an analysis of resources needed to address youth homelessness? Concern that youth experiencing chronic homelessness in the single adult subsystem are not adequately served with available resources.

**A:** CFSA does not have an analysis for all youth experiencing homelessness. However, an effort is underway to transform the child and family welfare system.

### C. DYRS BUDGET PRESENTATION

Interim Director Trey Stanback (DYRS) walked through the DHCD presentation. See slides 30 – 42 for details. Committee meeting attendees offered no questions or comments.

### D. OSSE BUDGET PRESENTATION

Danielle Branson (Deputy Superintendent of Academics and Schools, OSSE) walked through the OSSE presentation. See slides 43 – 48 for details. Committee meeting attendees offered no questions or comments.

### E. DCPS BUDGET PRESENTATION

Milo Howard (Director of Student Placement Office, DCPS) walked through the DCPS presentation. See slides 50 – 60 for details. Committee meeting attendees offered no questions or comments.

## III. GOVERNANCE & UPDATES

Director Silla (ICH) quickly covered efforts underway at the ICH to address the following:

- Other legislated mandates, including Annual Updates to Homeward DC 2.0 and
- FY23/24 priorities and projects, including the call for new committees and workgroups related to income/employment and health care.

Theresa reviewed the proposal to streamline youth-specific meetings, including consolidated the Youth Committee and Youth CAHP Policy Workgroup meetings. See slides 62 – 64 for details.

#### IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

None Identified

#### V. SUMMARY AND ADJOURNMENT

To promote consolidation of the Youth Committee and Youth CAHP Policy Workgroup meetings, Director Silla (ICH) flagged the date and time for the upcoming Youth CAHP Policy Workgroup meetings.

#### Next Meeting

**Date:** 18 April 2023

**Time:** 12:30 – 2 pm

**Location:** [Webex](#)

#### Participant List (58 attendees, 28 organizations)

3016****50 (Concerned Citizen)	Daisean Foster (ICH)	Linval Brown (Health Babies Project)
Ebony Grey (Concerned Citizen)	Donna Harris (ICH)	Regina Elie (Healthy Babies Project)
Aaron White (SHY YAB, CEWG)	Eileen Rosa (ICH)	Maddlyn Sivilli (CASA DC)
Jakia Carroll (CEWG)	Jorge Membreño (ICH)	Mariesa Robinson (DCCADV)
Aldo Hurtado (LAYC)	Theresa Silla (ICH)	Natalie Craver (CFSA)
Alyssa Noth (DCPS)	Deanna Pruitt (DHS)	Nicole Broome (CFSA)
Claudia Umana (DCPS)	Sabrina Burrell (DHS)	Tanya Torres Trice (CFSA)
Milo Alonzo Howard (DCPS)	Tamesha Veasley (DHS)	Ms. Naomi (PFFC, CEWG)
Andrew Gall (OSSE)	Dylan Mattimore (Wanda Alston)	Nikila Smith (PFFC, CEWG)
Danielle Branson (OSSE)	Elly Bludworth (SMYAL)	Robert Warren (PFFC, CEWG)
Danielle Rollins (OSSE)	Mariana Velazquez (SMYAL)	Rachelle Ellison (PFFC, CEWG)
Nicole Lee-Mwandha (OSSE)	Victoria Alves (SMYAL)	Reginald Black (PFFC, CEWG)
Tasheen Stallings (OSSE)	Kandice Louis (DASH)	Queenie Featherstone (PFFC, CEWG)
Angela Hackley (Covenant House)	Kelvin Robinson (Mary Elizabeth House)	Qadriyyah Johnson (SJCS)
Chelsey Brown (Covenant House)	Larry Villegas-Perez (DC OHR)	Rachel Metz (DC Action)
Clifton Rogers (Covenant House)	Latonya Callaway (DYRS)	Ronke Akinmboni (Sasha Bruce)
Antwan Gillis (Friendship Place)	Natalie Quashie (DYRS)	Roxanne Murray (Echelon)
Scarlet Levy (Friendship Place)	Michelle I Farr (DYRS)	Shaharazod Woodson (Community Connections)
Candyce Coates (TCP)	Trey Stanback (DYRS)	
Samantha Nolet (TCP)		
Kaira Smith (DC Council)		