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Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Youth Homelessness

Division of Columbia Interagency
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District of Columbia

ICH Youth Committee



February 28, 2019

Agenda

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Approval of Minutes From Prior Meeting & Agenda Review
- III. Through the Eyes of Youth Update
- IV. Information Sharing
 - 2018 Youth Count DC Findings
 - DHS End of Year Report
- V. Discussion Items
 - Youth Committee 2019 Priorities – Brainstorm
- VI. Updates
 - ICH Committee Updates
 - DC Agency Updates
- VII. Announcement and Reminders
- VIII. Summary and Adjournment



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ICH Structure



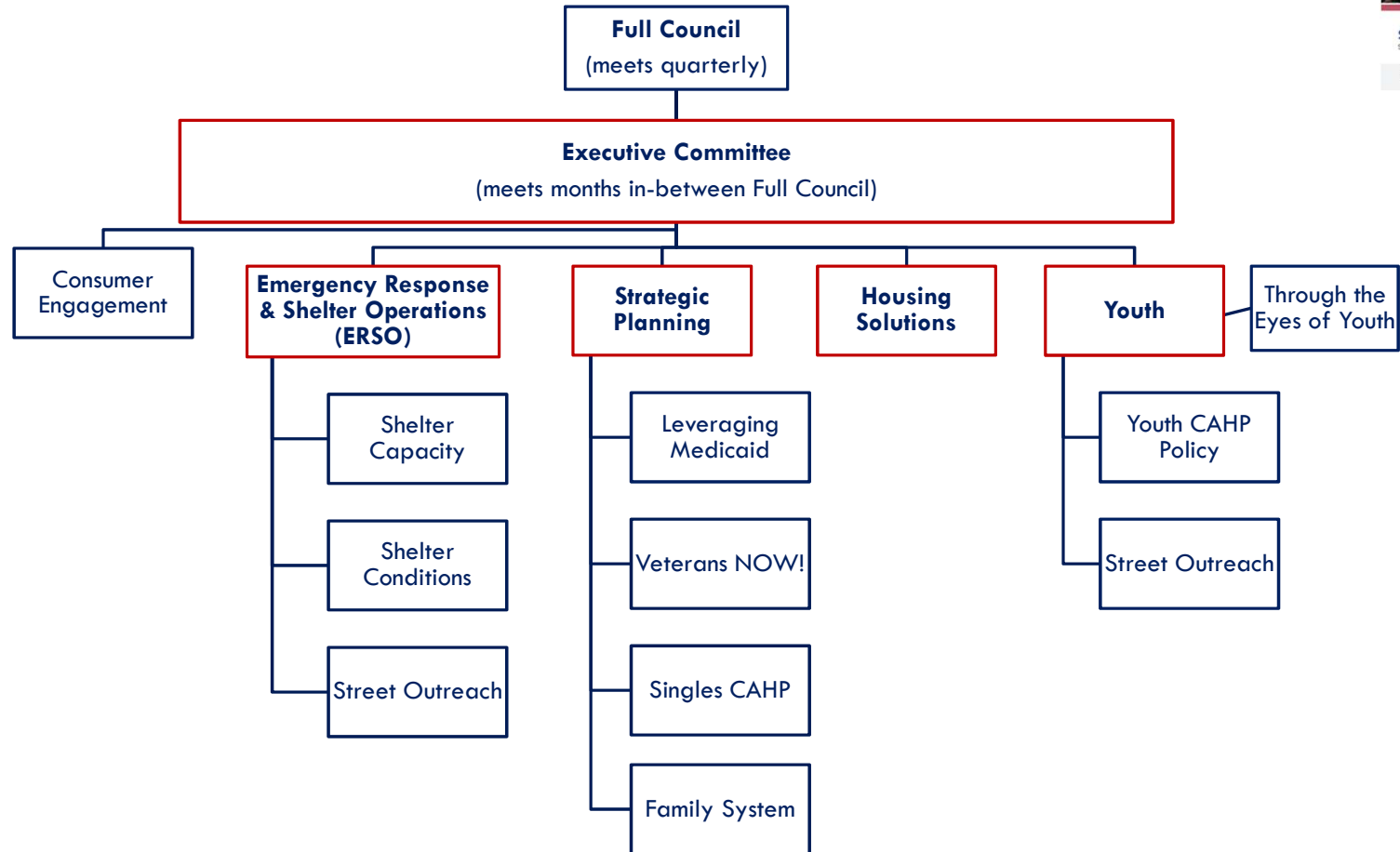
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- ❖ The role of the ICH is to focus on long-term change (while the implementing agencies focus more on day-to-day operations).
- ❖ The ICH committees and their associated work groups serve as a venue for collaboration.
 - We work in an ever-shifting landscape. Our strategic plan is a roadmap...not a blueprint.
 - Using data and real-time experience, we must identify problems/challenges as they emerge and determine if course corrections are needed.

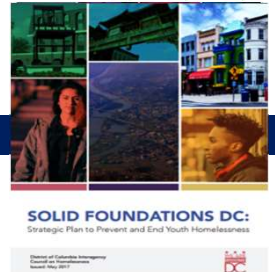
ICH Committees and Work Groups



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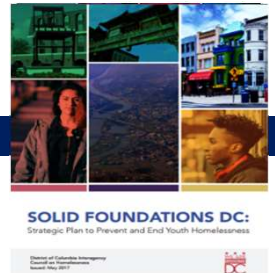
ICH Committee Protocols and Priorities



- ❖ Standing Committees are established through ICH By Laws
- ❖ On an annual basis:
 - Standing Committees identify priorities, including key deliverables, and outcomes that align with strategic plans.
 - Standing Committees establish work groups as a result of committee priorities.
 - ✓ Work groups are reviewed each year to determine if they need to continue.
 - ✓ Some work groups will exist for multiple years, others may exist to accomplish a specific project/objective.

Youth Committee 2019 Priorities - Brainstorm

- ❖ Review Solid Foundations DC Objectives and Strategies
- ❖ Brainstormed with Through the Eyes of Youth during December meeting



Youth Committee 2019 Priorities



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PREVENTION

- Case management for Youth at risk
- Affordable Housing
- Raise Min wage
- Career Jobs
- Mentoring Programs

Outreach/Assessment/Reunification

More Transition or Programs

Outreach Youth to Youth

More outreach for multi-lingual Youth

- Intake Explanations + Clear Understanding of what it is used for

Shelter + Housing Options

More housing Foot print to jail

* Gender Neutral Bathrooms

More Shelter Programs

• LGBTQ Training for Providers + Residents

More, Transitional Housing for single mothers, Programs for their children... to help with mental health...

Knowledge on the LGBTQ community

Clear information sharing about programs + housing options

- 25+
- Connection to DV system + DV training + Youth Specific DV Housing Options

Youth Committee 2019 Priorities - Brainstorm

Education + Employment

Better Jobs

More Jobs for Mental Ill.

Better Educational Programs

Career Jobs

G.E.D Programs

+ State Diploma

• Connection w/ DOES

Soc

Social/Emotional/Physical Wellbeing

Mental Treatment

- Substance Use treatment options for young adults.

Group Therapy / Support Groups for Youth...

Mill. career jobs

Cap

Healthy + Permanent Connections

MORE Connections

More Mental Health Clinics

Mentoring

Program Correlation

ex: Housing Program, Job Program

Leve → America Works

After care therapy

Capacity + Partnerships + Scaling Programs

Transfers Shelter

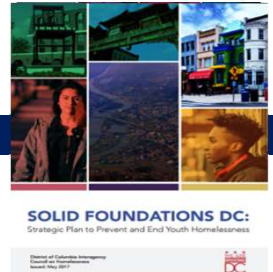
More Libraries

- Data
- plan for youth exiting other systems
- Correct relationship with other youth

Groups

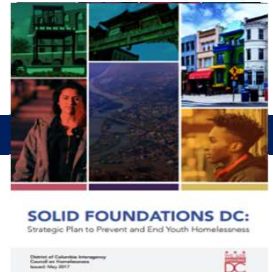
2019 Priorities: Youth Committee (draft)

- ❖ Develop performance measures for new program models (Extended Transitional Housing, TAY Rapid-Rehousing, and 24 Hour Drop-In Center); monitor performance and make adjustments as appropriate.
- ❖ Develop program models for Permanent Supportive Housing for the youth system and align program rules to support flow of youth through system.
- ❖ Develop training curriculum and conduct cross-training (minimally biannually)
 - Training for adult outreach and shelter staff on youth needs and youth system protocols;
 - Training for youth providers on adult system resources and protocols



2019 Priorities: Youth Committee (draft) Cont.

- ❖ Develop protocol to ensure youth street outreach teams are conducting in-reach into adult system low barriers shelters.
- ❖ Execute data match between homeless management information system (HMIS) data and CFSA and DYRS data to identify youth experiencing homelessness who are or have been served by other systems to better understand the needs of multi-system involved youth and how to better target services; Develop recommendations for transition planning protocol for youth receiving long-term services from, or in the custody of, CFSA, DYRS, or DBH.
- ❖ Identify DC-government and community-based internship/mentorship programs targeting transition age youth and determine partnership opportunities.



ICH Workgroup Review

- ❖ Youth CAHP Policy Workgroup
- ❖ Youth Street Outreach Workgroup
- ❖ Proposal – Youth Data and Quality Assurance Workgroup
 - Tracking system flow of youth through the youth homeless services system
 - Establishing System Performance Measures
 - Identifying Data Quality Improvements

