Leadership Board Meeting - October 24, 2019


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Announcements:

- Building Futures with Women and Children is kicking off their new DV project with Family Violence Law Center and EveryOne Home. The project with allow for survivors of domestic violence to be better able to access the coordinated entry system.
- The City of Livermore is having the soft launch of their safe parking program with expanded showers with staffing. They are also launching a biohazard and sanitation program near encampments.
- Alameda County Health Care Services Agency hired Kerry Abbott to help with countywide efforts around homelessness.
- Applications for No Place Like Home are due January 8th. Partners should let Robert know if there are additional opportunities to include in the application. In round 1, Alameda County received the most funding in the state.
- Alameda Point Collaborative received a grant from state for job training and counseling for people impacted by war on drugs.
- The City of Fremont is going forward with launching the Navigation Center. The City’s mobile hygiene unit has also been very successful. In addition, the local fire department will be distributing blankets to deter warming fires.
- The Commonwealth Club is doing a presentation on tenant protections on November 4th for partners that want to understand the new state laws.
- The City of Berkeley is looking into launching RV parking and sanctioned encampments. They also just expanded inclement shelter to include air quality conditions.
- The Albany City Council adopted EveryOne Home plan and will be on building 62 units of affordable housing with SAHA.
- The City of Oakland just presented PATH Plan, a local companion to the EveryOne Home Plan, using city specific data. The plan is to have the City Council approve it in December.

1. **Review and Approval of Minutes**—The Leadership Board requested that staff return with revised minutes at the next meeting. Some of the language needs to be reworked, particularly around the Plan Adoption and Ballot Measure, to be more representative of the conversation and less detailed.

2. **Committee and Project Updates**
   
a. **System Modeling**—The System Modeling work is an expansion of the HUD TA our community has been receiving. The goal is to take the assumptions and logic of
the EveryOne Home Plan and build on them to determine what responses are needed in short and long term in our homeless system. This means determining the combinations of resources and services to adequately serve all populations. A lot Board members have been invited to participate but if anyone has not received an invitation and wants to come, please let staff know.

b. Ballot Measure—Supervisor Chan announced at last Board of Supervisors retreat that all the Supervisors are committed to supporting a ballot measure to address homelessness in November. Staff, in coordination with other partners, is working on the draft governance and plan to have focus groups early next year. EveryOne Home has received some funding from Hellman to do this work. Staff will distribute talking points to the Leadership Board with messaging focused on the Plan and need for additional capacity. Talking points can include how other measures on the ballot are complementary but not the same since the might reference “homeless”.

c. Plan Adoption—Staff recently met with Supervisor Chan and Supervisor Miley and they are both supportive of bringing the Plan to the Board of Supervisors for adoption.

3. Governance Charter Revisions—The proposed changes were approved by the HUD CoC Committee until June because there is a need for a more robust conversation on some major pieces of the governance. Staff and HUD CoC will be working with the HUD TA on these questions over the next few months. Most of the proposed changes are memorializing policies and practices that are already in place and the next iteration would be more extensive. The Leadership Board suggested that the Governance Charter did not need to be so detailed that way it is easier to navigate and adopt changes. There was a motion to adopt the changes proposed with the exception of 1) having the Leadership Board meet four times 2) removing the Leadership Board’s role of approving coordinated entry policies and 3) deleting “CE Lead Operator” on the HMIS oversight membership. It was seconded and the motion passed with three abstentions.

4. EveryOne Home Work Plan—Staff asked if the Leadership Board wanted to consider potential revisions to the Work Plan, since we will review again in December. Leadership Board asked about addressing the end of care connect, integrating the DV and HMIS work, and reviewing employment and racial disparity outcomes. There was also a request for a retreat for the Leadership Board with a historical overview of the CoC.