



PARTNERS IN CARE

Oahu Continuum of Care

Partners in Care is a coalition of Oahu's homeless service providers, government representatives and community stakeholders working together in partnership to end homelessness.

PIC General Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Attendees via Zoom: Achieve Zero, Alternative Structures International, Catholic Charities Hawaii, Catholic Charities Housing Development Corporation, Child and Family Service, Community Empowerment Resources, Department of Veteran Affairs, Family Promise of Hawaii, Hale Kipa, Hawaii Health and Harm Reduction Center, Institute for Human Services, Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Marya Grambs, Mental Health Kokua, Office of the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Ohana Health Plan, Project Vision, Residential Youth Services & Empowerment, The Salvation Army, Scott Morishige, State Government, US Vets, Waikiki Health, Women in Need

Topic	Discussion	Outcome/Action
Call to Order, Approval of Minutes	Meeting called to order at 12:00pm	Meeting starts
Update on NOFO Award	Congratulations to Partners in Care staff and Oahu's CoC. Not only were all programs funded, some programs received more funds than requested.	
Breakout Session	<p>Definition of Chronic Homelessness – there is a HUD definition and there is a DOE definition. Some that qualify under the DOE definition won't qualify under the HUD definition.</p> <p>Breakout Objective – What are some challenges? Recommendations? What might we want to look at when talking about the chronically homeless definition and what that does to our ability to house people? Notes will be taken and submitted to Heather.</p> <p>Group Sharing - Issues with youth being incarcerated and not being counted because they're technically housed, Waikiki Health shared their definition, which is literally homeless one night in a place not meant for habitation to qualify for their shelter, challenges when working with both adults and children with two different definitions for both populations.</p>	
Action Item Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleaning of units and hoarding – possibility of loss of housing due to hoarding. Need resources. Possibly investing in training and/or a person who is an SME on hoarding to assist clients with this issue. Positive that it's been made an official diagnosis, which allows for BH assistance. 	
Legislative Review	<p>Betty Lou Larson –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discrimination bill just got a hearing notice All other bills have something going through Bill on more housing will be heard PSH bill has been expanded out to other vulnerable populations, some pushback SB206 prohibits voucher discrimination. Looking at the HB1752 for an amendment to add a strong prohibition. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting DHHL for affordable housing • Rent supplement program has half a million to keep current residents on, in the budget. • Bill for a new pilot rental supplement program for elderly similar to Section 8, homeless or imminent risk, 62 years or older. Getting a lot of support. • Rent subsidy for the TANF and TANOF population seems to have a lot of support. • Supportive housing task force coming up for hearing (HB1749). Amended to include PIC and BTG representation on the task force. • Landlord incentives is being supported • Crisis stabilization bill (SB2735) is moving on • SB2736 is moving on as well • Long-term care facility at Hawaii State Hospital (SB2737) is moving. <p>DV Bills – waiting for hearing dates for bills that have crossed over.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Violence Intervention bill has a hearing on Friday morning at 9:30am. • Custody evaluator’s hearing on March 17, 2022 at 9:30am to set the standards for training and the intersection with children. • More bills on the House side waiting for hearings. • Coercive control into the custody evaluator’s statute and not the TRO, call Rep Yamane to hear on the crossover. <p>Connie –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB2034 – helps those who enter the ER to be evaluated on MH for capacity. If they don’t have decisional capacity, they would need a guardian or somebody as a surrogate decision maker. Bill has passed through the senate, but trying to add an amendment that when entry comes under an MH 2 (oral ex parte) and a psychiatrist determines they need treatment and has lost their decisional capacity, to be able to actually treat them against their will. Not been inserted, but Rep Yamane is willing to but needs more support. 	
<p>ED Report</p>	<p>Please see attached report. Highlights:</p> <p>ED Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apologies for missing the meeting • Thank you for the PIT Count support. Data is still being worked on. Debrief coming. Will have no problem meeting the 4/30 deadline to submit data to HUD. 300 volunteers registered to assist. • All projects got funded, including new ones. \$16.875 million was awarded to our CoC. • Last session for Strategic Alignment is on 4/7. 	
<p>Community Partner Reports</p>	<p>Governor’s Office on Homelessness (Scott) – Trying to do more policy briefs on housing and homelessness. One done on rental application screening fees, one on source of income discrimination and one on different governmental funding for homeless programs statewide. If you have input or suggestions, let the GOH office know. Congrats to everyone who worked on the NOFO and really expanding federal sources of funding for the CoC. Interagency Council on Homelessness meeting is happening Mon 3/21. Then Mon 3/28 is the webinar series featuring Sam Church from Family Promise and faith-based representatives from Kauai to talk about different faith-based partnerships to homelessness. One to highlight is a safe parking partnership that’s happening on Hawaii Island that has potential for replication on Oahu and other islands. If anyone has suggestions on webinars, please reach out. Heather asks if a webinar on hoarding is possible. Scott says their trying to find someone to do a training. Will keep that in mind and will circle back with Heather.</p> <p>HPO – no report</p>	

	<p>Mayor’s Office on Housing – no report</p> <p>DCS – no report</p> <p>HUD – no report</p>	
Committee Reports	<p>OYAB – no report</p> <p>Org Dev (Greg) – no update because meeting date was the same as Point in Time Count Day. Strategic alignment is continuing, next meeting is on April 7th.</p> <p>Awareness (Heather) – conference moving ahead. Public awareness was one of the top five issues mentioned by the CoC feedback during strategic alignment.</p> <p>Advocacy (Bob) – nothing in addition to Betty Lou’s report. Meeting is on the third Wednesday of each month. Heather adds that BTG and PIC meet every Friday at noon to discuss statewide issues.</p> <p>Communications – next meeting on hold</p> <p>Data (Claire) – 2022 dashboards are up on the website. Been updated to include inflow/outflow. LSA was completed and submitted on time. CES now has its own dashboard that can be used as live data during the meeting. No new user request in Feb. New user presentation happening next Tuesday at 10am. Heather asks how Data is attached to the Point in Time data. Claire responds that the committee offers supports, but Wallace pretty much handles the organizing of the data.</p> <p>Planning (Jillian) – big announcement was the award for CoC funding. Finalizing the monitoring and evaluation tool. New thing is we will be ahead of the priorities discussion for City funding (HOME, CDBG, ESG, HOPWA). Heather notes that that’s one of the formal functions of the CoC is to give feedback on those funds</p> <p>CES Oversight – no report</p>	
Success Stories	<p>Ideas for capturing success stories. IHS and UH were successful in using photo voice for the Housing First evaluation. Clients were able to share their stories. Use the talents of people to tell the story of homelessness. Aura and Hui Aloha participated in an art exhibit highlighting homelessness. Possible lunch and learn regarding unique ways to capture successes and stories.</p>	
Meeting Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 1:11pm	Meeting ends
Next Meeting	Next meeting is on Tuesday, April 19 th at 12pm.	