



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 Advocacy Committee Meeting
February 28, 2018, 12:00-1:30
Aloha United Way
MINUTES

Attendees: Betty Lou Larson, Gavin Thornton, Eric Englin, Judith Clark, Larry Chun, Michael Goodman, Raquel Curtis, Rebecca Yonamine, Christy MacPherson, Marya Grambs
Phone: Lance Niimi

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Outcome/Action
I. Meeting called to order	12:05	
II. Introductions		
III. Approval of 1/24/18 minutes	Changes: Rebecca Yonamine present Section B. pg., HB 1766 not 1756; SB2873 should be 2401	Approved as amended
IV. Continuing business		
A. Update on bills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HB2014 (Mike Goodman) is still alive. May be modified to incorporate PSH. • SB 2791 establishes youth and family center in Kailua youth Correctional Facility; will include RISE shelter and a shelter that Hale Kipa will be operating, and other supportive services. Still alive. • Mike Goodman – how to calculate cost of homelessness. Queens loses \$10M, rest \$90M is Medicaid. How to obtain cost of ambulance, HPD, trash, sweeps. • Gavin: our best role is to come up with tidy packages. Even when you have theoretical cost savings, they have a budget with 	

	forecast economic.	
B. PIC online Testimony and email list sign up	Website is up. We have a new mailing list system through Mail Chimp. Shows metrics re whether we're growing our reach. There's a one-click testimony form on the website. People can add and subtract testimony. It has resulted in 7 pieces of testimony for each Action Alert.	
C. Do we want to add in any priorities	Not at this time	
D. Ideas for how we can improve our engagement, get more people.	<p>Gavin: Our list is 140 people; 7 is less than 5%. How to grow list? We have opportunity to have broad reach through all the members of PIC agencies. We have capacity, have expertise on bills; have template.</p> <p>Judith: HPHA is interested in supporting issues like homelessness. What could they do?</p> <p>Mike Goodman: try to lobby lobbyists.</p> <p>Christie: if PIC members could organize their clients to lobby that would very effective, probably more than providers testifying. Need to mobilize them. What about a sleepout of homeless people at the capitol? Also: there are probably more people at agencies who would like to get alerts and testify because they are interested personally. Ask at a General Meeting.</p> <p>Judith: has letters from youth about their experiences; she attaches to testimony</p> <p>Christy: what about getting an organizer from the university? She has interns who do organizing. She would supervise. They are MSW, BSW students. Could assign student</p>	<p>We will present a training at the next General meeting to show people how to use website to testify.</p>

	<p>to PIC. MS is a year; BSW is there for 3 semesters. People power!</p> <p>The intern would go to various homeless agencies, show staff and clients how to testify, help staff mobilize clients to come to the Leg.</p>	
E. Legislative walk-around instead of Breakfast.	Followup with Gladys. Maybe her group could organize the walk around, do t-shirts, etc.	Gavin to follow up with Gladys.
F. Big Island Family Assessment Center, other updates.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lance: Family Assessment center in Kona never got out of Judiciary Committee. Gavin/Betty Lou: Why did it go to Judiciary? Next year we would like to support it, if it can be ramped up a little earlier. • They got a lot of people to support Mike's bill - Kona Brewery. 	
Adjourned	1:20	

Minutes by Marya Grambs