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Oahu Continuum of Care

Our mission is to eliminate homelessness through open and inclusive participation and the coordination of integrated responses

PIC Advocacy Committee Meeting

March 27, 2019 12:00-1:30

MINUTES

Attendees: Gavin Thornton, Mike Goodman, Bryan, Greg Payton (phone), Marya Grambs, Paula Arcena, Judith Clarke, Sam Millington, Betty Lou, Ashleigh, Jenn Flores, Jay Purvis, Kim Cook, Connie Mitchell, Larry Chun

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Outcome/ Action
I. Meeting called to order	12:00	
II. Introductions		
III. Approval of February minutes		Tabled
IV. Leg update	SB 471 and SB 474. Add on \$15.7 to base budget. These are core services for homeless. There is a stand-alone bill for elderly rental assistance	
	<p>HB1312: Rental Housing Revolving Fund. PIC agenda included \$200 M for low income housing, \$75K for PSH. Re money for RHRF: Two problems: legislators feel like RHRF not disbursing monies. Second issue: builders won't be able to use because the money only is for the development not rental subsidies. They need ongoing guaranteed rental subsidies.</p> <p>Greg: To leverage money, developer would need to build 40 units and it would take 3-5 years. Need short range plan: smaller apartment buildings. We could keep them full with current vouchers. B of H interested. Building with 10 to 25 units. Each building would cost \$2-6 M. Maybe look at \$20M pilot for 1 year.</p> <p>RHRF: time between award and occupancy – 2-3 years. So money is not spent until 2-3 years.</p> <p>For larger developers - want assurance of rental subsidies - 60-100 units. 50-60% AMI. 20% carved out for PSH scattered. That's what needs rental guaranteed. Connie: how about another 20% for rapid rehousing or shallow</p>	

	<p>subsidies? Will work on this this summer.</p> <p>Ask for \$20M now for acquisition/rehab for the small buildings; 3-4 buildings. prove that it works; and then go back and ask for more \$\$.</p> <p>Gavin: include language so that it wouldn't lapse if we couldn't spend, would go into Fund. Ask them for study on how to develop PSH – where does this ongoing rent subsidy come from? How do you create a guarantee that subsidy would be permanent.</p> <p>Connie: How was \$750M calculated? Was the assumption that tenants couldn't afford any rent? A good PSH program will help tenants pay some of the rent. Take a look at whether people are progressing.</p> <p>Sam: Kresge might fund \$50K to do this study.</p> <p>Consensus: ask for \$20M; good strategy to do lower ask.</p>	
V. Action Day	<p>Sign on letter: we have almost to 100 organizations</p> <p>9:30 gather</p> <p>How many teams? 76 offices – 3 teams, one per floor, two for 3rd floor.</p> <p>Heather will do packets of materials – Op Ed, Sign-on letter, and PIC priorities.</p> <p>Team leaders: Judith, Betty Lou – leadership, Brandee, Connie, Marya</p> <p>Talking points: We're here from PIC and BTG and community; this is a very wide constituency: we have developers, all the mayors, business community, faith based: we are a united voice.</p> <p>10:30 Press conference (Kimo): NOT ALL WOUNDS ARE VISIBLE. HOUSING IS THE ANSWER HOUSING FIRST WORKS</p> <p>Press packets: media advisory release will go out Friday Embargo for news release distributed at 11 am IHS bringing 50-100 formerly homeless WEAR PURPLE</p>	
Legislator visits	Core team will meet with Tom Brower, Finance Chair, San Buenaventura, Della.	
Announcement	FACE Action is having Housing Summit at end of July.	
Adjourned	1:34	

Minutes by Marya Grambs