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PARTNERS IN CARE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 7, 2017 - ALOHA UNITED WAY – Noon to 1:30 PM

Present: Tamah-Lani Noh, JR Dowd, Judith Clark, Carla Houser, Catherine Graham, Betty Lou Larson, Anna Stone, Natalie Okeson, Greg Payton, Marya Grambs, Larry Chun, Jen Stasch, Adrian Contreras, Rebecca Yonamine, Natalie Okeson, Marya Grambs

Phone: Gavin Thornton, Kimo Carvalho, Thelma Kealoha, Debra Deluis Lance

Item	Discussion	Actions/Recommendations
1. Convened	Meeting convened by Chair Greg Payton.	
2. Introductions		
3. Approval of Minutes of Jan meeting.	Greg: Thanks to Gladys for putting on the PIC Legislative Breakfast Thanks to Kimo for Homeless in Paradise DVDs	Minutes Approved
4. Public housing	Betty Lou: Suggests we sit down with HPHA re: Mayor Wright project to make sure they are focused on low income (at or below 30% AMI).	Marya to set up meeting with Hakim with Catherine, Betty Lou, and herself
5. TOD	Betty Lou notes that there are multiple bills to make HCDA the lead on TOD planning for state land/properties.	
6. Updates of Action/Fact Sheets	<p><u>Homeless Outreach Fact Sheet.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note: Greg: There's a federal homeless outreach program (for those with Serious and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI) called PATH, which has operated completely separately from COC members for many years. However, the good news is that PATH's data is now being entered into our HMIS system. Six nonprofits around the state provide PATH services. They find homeless persons and get them connected to homeless services. • The Outreach appropriation is for all homeless with carveout with youth. • Is number of homeless youth correct? • YO is releasing local research data on homeless youth, and they will start putting their data into HMIS. Should we try to get coverage for Carla's data release? Scott Morishige's office may be able to help with Press Release, etc. • Re LEAD – some bills need to be modified. <p><u>Housing Subsidies to End Homelessness Fact Sheet:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re percent of renters households who are cost burdened -- our fact sheet says 54%, bill says 1/3. 	<p>--Marya to confirm youth data, add in and send to Jen --Carla to send youth data to MG for integration into fact sheet and will send to Jen; The information will also be sent to PIC general membership; Tamah-Lani will ask Scott/Julie Ford re PR.</p> <p>Wait for wording from LEAD working group.</p> <p>-- Betty Lou will add to Fact Sheet "according to AUW" on cost burdened percent</p>



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	<p><u>Housing First Fact Sheet</u> --Betty Lou will add in # of homeless statewide (8,000) and of chronic homeless (2,000) to Housing First Fact Sheet</p>	<p>BL to add info and send updated Sheets to Jen S. to post on PIC website</p>
7. Priority Bills and Watch List	<p><u>Outreach:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB1214 is PIC’s bill which supports Governor’s budget for homelessness. • Support Governor’s bill, SB271, HB 772. In our support testimony, we will leave out two items - family/elderly housing projects, and storage of people’s property), not because we don’t support them but because they are not one of our priority issues • LEAD: SB1214 has \$200,000 for pilot project for LEAD. SB 108 <u>requires</u> law enforcement to implement LEAD. LEAD (and PIC) want to change that language. SB 716 needs to be modified in collaboration with Sen. Tokuda. • SB27- Medicaid Adult Dental: moved to Support – • SB591 - \$2B bond for affordable housing – we will support. • SB588, Shelter Standards, we will support. • HB1557 – Hawaii Public Housing impose maximum rental period of 5 years -- oppose • HB223, Rental Application Fees – Support • HB1445, Mandating that Point in Time volunteers be paid -- oppose • HB844, to set up safe places where youth in crisis could go to get connected to help; suggested by Judith Clark. Watch. 	<p>Marya: coordinate with LEAD workgroup on new language for SB 108. Inform PIC Advocacy</p> <p>Natalie (PHOCUSED) will draft testimony for PIC for SB27 and send to Greg to review. Thereafter, Natalie can submit on this bill for PIC advocacy.</p> <p>Jen to follow-up on PIT issues (HB 1445)</p>
8. Details on Support and Watch lists.	<p>We reviewed Betty Lou’s handouts of PIC Priority Bills and Watch list, and determined which would go into Priority and which would stay on Watch (meaning either we support but it’s not a priority for us, we support but we do not have time to testify, and/or we have questions, or monitor for status only).</p>	<p>Betty Lou will update her handouts and send out to PIC Advocacy. Marya to also attach to minutes..</p>
9.	<p>Larry Chun announcement</p>	
10.	<p>Note: all info – fact sheets, watch list, support list, etc., will be updated and can be found on PIC website. http://www.partnersincareoahu.org/advocacy-committee-0</p>	
11. Next meeting	<p>March 7, Noon; AUW 5th floor (1st Tuesday)</p>	

Minutes by Marya Grambs