



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 Meeting August 1, 2017 MINUTES

Attendees: Gavin Thornton, Marya Grambs, Bob Takata, Anna Stone, Larry Chun

Agenda Topic		Outcome/Action
Approval of Minutes		To be approved next meeting
PIC Advocacy Survey Follow Up: Setting our Priorities	<p>We decided on the following:</p> <p>PRIORITY POLICY ISSUES (PIC Advocacy Committee develops materials, meets with legislators, sends out Action Alerts, testifies):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outreach: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Serious and Persistent Mentally Ill ○ Youth ○ Adults • LEAD and Substance Abuse • Housing First • Rapid Rehousing • Funding for New Affordable Units <p>SUPPORT POLICY ISSUES (PIC Advocacy Committee sends out Action Alerts, provides testimony only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Legal Services • Safe Place for Youth • Transitional Living Services for Youth • Right to Shelter for Unaccompanied Youth • Decriminalizing Status Offenses • Include Dental Coverage in Medicaid • Mobile Medical Units • Rental Application Fees • Funding for Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) <p>“NOTIFY” POLICY ISSUES (PIC sends out notification of bills)</p>	<p>Next step: Gavin to take Priorities to Executive Committee for discussion/approval</p>

	<p>when up for hearing so members can advocate for or against, but we will take no formal position as PIC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe Zones • Opposing Criminalization of Homelessness • Opposing Proliferation of Vacation Rentals 	
Comments from Survey Takers	Major ones: Requiring HPHA to be part of CES (talk to Tom McDonald), 24 hour crisis center; Expungement; Additional case management for substance use disorders; Utilizing empty buildings; Continuum of care for quality of life for families/individuals who have been housed.	Gavin or JR to follow up on these
Affordable Housing	<p>Bob Nakata noted that to meet inclusionary zoning requirements developers don't want regulations</p> <p>HHFDC, DURF, and RHRF: need to get clearer on the relevant policy issues here.</p>	
Special Action Committee	Bob Nakata is now on Task Force	
OLD BUSINESS	<p>We did not address (from last meeting):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Natalie reported on the need for a follow up meeting with HHFDC (Rental House Revolving Fund). We have requested information from HHFDC about how other states use their RHRF. Janet from HHFDC is our contact. 2. Judith suggested that PIC membership mobilize around October 13 Children and Youth Summit, and make sure all youth served are in attendance. At this meeting, legislative priorities for youth will be decided for the 2018 session. 	
Next meeting	Gavin cannot attend September meeting	Marya will Chair; Gavin will ask Jen to take minutes
Next steps		Begin to flesh out priorities and develop materials.
Meeting adjourned	1:35	