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PARTNERS IN CARE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

ALOHA UNITED WAY - May 2, 2017

Present: Tamah-Lani Noh, Carla Houser, Judith Clark, Gavin Thornton, Betty Lou Larson, Larry Chun, Anna Stone, Jen Stasch, Marya Grambs, Greg Payton

Phone: Cynthia Rezendes, Tanya Tehotu, Thelma Kealoha, Natalie Okeson, Alex Wade, Deborah DeLuis,

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Introductions		
2. Minutes of April meeting		Approved with corrected date
3. Old Business: End of Session Wrap up	<p>Betty Lou reviewed the status of PIC priorities.</p> <p><u>Positive:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Money for Homeless Outreach, including for mentally ill and substance use (includes LEAD); Housing First and Rapid Rehousing; Affordable Housing /Rental Housing Rental Fund. Greg pointed out that we got half of what we asked for, and half of what we got last year. <p><u>Not passed:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HB844, safe spaces for youth • HB 1240, AUW bill • Rental applications fees bill limit – deferred but still alive • Medicaid Dental for Adults • Work a Day • 2 mobile health clinics <p><u>Concerned about:</u> SB895 – criminalization of homelessness - trespassing on state land: passed.</p>	<p>What is DOH doing with the money for mentally ill outreach? Tamah-Lani to find out.</p> <p>See USICH model for dealing with encampments.</p>
	<p><u>Noted:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HMS 220 Homeless Concerns Liaisons at DOE – very important: they will enter into HMIS • AUW has report on prison, dv, and foster youth – effective models for these populations 	
New Business: a. Youth	YO study results to be released in June. Survey of 151 youth. Will be presented at HYSN conference. Carla will convene youth stakeholders to develop recommendations from the data. Will review state-by-state comparison of unaccompanied youth laws.	•
New Business: b. Outreach Worker Meetings	Carla noted that there used to be regular meetings of homeless outreach workers to share, collaborate, brainstorm, identify pukas, etc. Discussion centered on doing this for Region 1.	Tamah-Lani will spearhead; Carla will also work on this.



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c. Priorities for this summer	1. HHFDC: what do we need to do for next year because the legislators see that there's a significant amount of money just sitting in the fund; it's been awarded but is not flowing out in a timely manner. Some of the delay is because of federally mandated requirements for awarding low income tax credits. Need to meet with HHFDC and then with WAM and Fin chairs. Kate Stanley (Sen Tokuda's office) can be reached during summer.	Betty Lou has set up meeting with HHFDC. Will ask Natalie to lead effort on this
	2. Suggestion to do a survey of PIC membership to identify Legislative priorities for next year. Will be distributed and filled out during PIC meeting. Also, a survey monkey.	Gavin made list of topic assignments and will pull together.
d. Action Alerts	Gavin will change format for filing testimony so it's more user family, and identify a couple of people as back-up to send out the alerts.	
	Next meeting is June 6. Greg won't be able to attend. This is Greg's last meeting as chair. Will prepare all material to go out before meeting. Will also work on survey with Gavin. Gavin has agreed to be next Chair. (pending, of course, election)	
3.	Adjourned 1:29	

Minutes by Marya Grambs.