



## Homeless Coalition of Greater Battle Creek & Calhoun County

**Tuesday July 17, 2018 12pm – 1:30pm**

Location: United Way Lower Level Meeting Room

### 1. Welcome and Introductions – Lee Talmage or Elaine Hunsicker (TCC)

### 2. Housing Solutions Board Update to General Membership – Nicole DuPont

- ESG final allocations have not be received from MSHDA. They should be here this week.
- The following will be the recipients of the funds:
  - SHARE Center – Street Outreach
  - The Haven – Case Management
  - SP Housing – Relocation/Stabilization Services, Financial Assistance, triage and referral, data collection, et al
- HUD has released the NOFA and detailed instructions – Website updated with new timeline
  - The HUD Grant Committee had its first meetings last week which is comprised of the CoC and fundees – SPH and Haven
  - HSB will vote on the projects to move forward on Friday, July 20.
  - HSB has selected Ranking teams for the competition.

### 3. Updates on collaborative work:

- **HMIS User Group, HARA Update, Veteran by Name List** – Victoria Huntington
- **Rental Housing Roundtable** – Alisa Parker

The next Landlord dinner is July 26 at 5:30 at Salvation Army. The committee has been working on planning a more effective Housing Resource Hour. They would like to plan them to coincide with the Landlord Dinner or better participation from landlords. This could happen as soon as September but possibly a little later. There has been good landlord interest.

- **ID Task Force** – Robert Elchert

The committee is getting good feedback. The number of cards issued from the Share Center is increasing with the new management. They are using referrals and setting appointments. Referral forms will be sent to service providers interested. Data will be collected on agency use.

The Vital Records funding will likely be continued after this grant cycle ends.at least in part due to the change at the Sec of State to the new ID Compliance requirements.

There was some discussion on that and it's relevance to the homeless population.

- **Homeless Health Fair** – Elaine Hunsicker

Robert has set up the Text-to-Give for donations. Text to Support Homeless 20222 September 1 thru October 31.

United Way has incorporated the blanket drive in the Bombers Night August 4<sup>th</sup> .

Rachel will do a temporary flyer for us to have available at the blanket donation table. Volunteers from the Homeless Coalition will man the tale.

We're discussing doing a few T shirts with the new HC logo for events. Robert is looking at the cost.

The creation of a permanent flyer was discussed and will be run past Nicole and the Housing Solutions Board.

- **Coordinated Entry System** – Nicole DuPont
  - CoC will be working with VA and VOA to create a new Resource Flow Chart for Vets

### 4. New business, comments, and organization update

- **Salvation Army presentation**

Suzi Gore did the presentation of programs of the Salvation Army and answered questions. Brochures highlighting their programs were distributed.

- The Share Center is hiring a new Street Outreach person in the fall. They are also looking for new board members. The board members must have lived experience with a mental health diagnosis or addiction. They have created a new Facebook the former administrator of the HC Facebook page for the password so we can update our page. Salvation Army is giving the TBRA (Tenant Based Rental Assistance) program back to the city as it is too cumbersome for them to administer.
  - True North, CA, and DHHS don't have utility funds right now.

5. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, August 21, 2018