



Housing Solutions Board

Meeting Date: April 17, 2019

Phone: Zoom Call (<https://zoom.us/j/473921269?pwd=dktSRDRuTEM5VXVaR1R5dWhxY2hldz09>)

Present: Ellen, Laurel, Jamie, Chad, Nicole, Lee, Robert, Maggie, Dan, Alisa, Cecelia.

Time	Agenda Item & Discussion Notes	Decisions/Next Steps
	<p>I. Welcome: Introductions of new members and visitors. Any additions to today's Agenda?</p>	
	<p>II. Approval of March 2020 Minutes</p> <p>Discussion: none. Moved by: Chad Second by: Ellen Approved by: all; Opposed by: None; Abstained by: Laurel, Chad, Maggie Honaker. Motion Vote: Passed.</p>	
	<p>III. Visiting Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 	
	<p>IV. General Updates from Board Member organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lee: Section 8 Waiting List Pre-Application – 982 individuals applied. Software program selected 600 and randomizes, with 90% from BC, 5% in other areas of Michigan, 5% Midwest. 70 people with vouchers looking for housing now, already been through orientation. Housing program is ongoing. Would like feedback on the program from applicants, tenants, landlords. Future meeting to brainstorm strategies on support, education materials with tenants and landlords. Chad: discussing how to reopen the offices, new condensed training on unemployment support coming up. Nicole: very limited resources right now for MV youth, currently providing referrals to community agencies. Ellen: incidents of DV are increasing, challenges with victims having a way to connect confidentially with shelter, expect a large increase once orders lift. All services remain available 24/7. Cecelia: Still in the office every day. Still issuing vouchers, working on housing. For Homeless Vets who test positive for COVID, there is a regional quarantine facility for pending and/or positive tests. Face to face groups are not meeting right now. Some classes have moved online. DHS Help Line 888-733-7753 has been established. Alisa: Legal Services is still open. MichiganLegalHelp.org can help connect people to resources. District Court is still closed through 4/30, except for emergency orders. Tenant/Landlord disputes may tentatively start after May 4. Working with clients to understand moratorium versus forbearance. Looking into childcare barriers for those needing to attend court – 	

	<p>arranging partnerships with the Y to serve this capacity. Looking at online divorce clinic and other services. Uptick in cases is being seen for housing, domestic issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jamie: 12 hotel vouchers will be distributed today. Hotel vouchers have been mostly successful. Still managing a waitlist. We are considered one of the best in class for the state on our voucher program with great support from our funders and community partners. • Robert: still working at Full Blast. About 40 clients today. Just exceeded 3000 meals in the past 3 weeks. Great support from funders, volunteers, and the community. Pursuing a MCAH grant. Still searching for laundry services for day shelter. • Daniel: may look into possibilities to supplement staff with National Guard; will work with Robert – through EOC. Expecting some large increases once orders lift. • Laurel: UW fund is about \$100K, focused on basic needs. Application requests at communityimpact@uwbckr.org. Weekly BCRC calls with NGOs available. 	
	<p>V. Homeless Coalition Action Group Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlords’ Roundtable (Alisa) – working on developing materials to summarize legal landscape through this time. Encouraging landlords to look at alternatives to eviction for nonpayment. • HMIS Data Quality Group (Jamie) – MCAH resources are going to support our CoC. • Hunger Free Calhoun (Laurel) – Food Bank is currently at peak need. • Street Outreach (Robert, Daniel) – Being conducted at Full Blast through overnight shelter. • Veteran Resources/Built For Zero (Daniel, Tiyanna) – on hold. • Homeless Health Fair (Laurel/Ellen) – feedback requested on marketing. Currently grant seeking. • Coordinated Entry System (Maggie) – pursuing 3 grants with Rotary and MCAH for temporary housing, handwash stations. 	

VI. FORMAL ACTIONS

- **Vote A. Text.**

Text.

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Discussion: none.

Moved by:

Second by:

Approved by: ; **Opposed by:** ; **Abstained by:** Maggie Honaker.

Motion Vote: Passed.

- **Vote B. Text.**

Text.

- Text.

Discussion: .

Moved by:

Second by:

Approved by: ; **Opposed by:** ; **Abstained by:** Maggie Honaker.

Motion Vote: .

	VII. Outreach and Relationship Building <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • . • . 	
	VIII. Grants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant. Text. • Grant. Text. 	
	IX. Other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TBD Text. • TBD Text 	
	X. New Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss open Board member slots and desired agencies to fill positions. Email recommendations to Maggie. • Discuss option for an extended meeting in May to incorporate a strategic planning session – will look at devoting some time in our next session specifically to strategy and prioritization. Will not extend time. 	
	XI. Adjourn Motion to adjourn: Robert Second: Lee Approved by: all; Opposed: none; Abstained: Maggie Honaker	MTG Reminder: May 15,2020 10:00AM – 11:30AM Zoom Call