



Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority

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MINUTES OF THE

LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY POLICY & PLANNING COMMITTEE

Held Friday, December 11, 2009

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority Commission Policy and Planning Committee meeting held at 453 S. Spring Street, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, California was called to order at 9:43 a.m. by Commissioner Newcomer.

ATTENDANCE

LAHSA Commissioners Present:

Owen Newcomer
Cecil Murray
Louisa Ollague

LAHSA Commissioners Absent:

None

LAHSA Staff:

Michael Arnold, Executive Director
Steve Andryszewski, Chief Financial Officer
Leslie Wise, Director of Policy & Planning
Clementina Verjan, Planning Manager
Geoffrey Emery, Director of Programs
Kim Thompson, Director of Communications
Stephen Lytle, Funding Manager
Erin Hollander, Board Liaison

Call to order/Roll call /Establishment of quorum

Roll was called and quorum was established at 9:43 a.m.

1.0 Review and approve minutes of meeting held November 13, 2009.

Public Speaker(s): There were no public speakers.

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Newcomer and seconded by Commissioner Murray to approve the minutes.

Action: The motion passed unanimously.

2.0 Report on status of Federal, State and Local policy.

Leslie Wise, Director of Policy & Planning gave the report:

Update on 2009 Year End Policy Report.

- Leslie Wise reviewed the Federal, State and Local policy action for 2009, including: the McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Program, Services to End Long Term Homelessness Act (SELHA), Workforce Development for homeless individuals and families, the State Interagency Council on Homelessness, EHAP funding, and the Mixed Income Housing Ordinance.

Update on County Department of Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Innovations Plan.

- The purpose of the MHSA Innovations Plan is to focus on identifying new learning practices to increase the array of approaches that can be applied to mental health services for specified populations.
- LAHSA Policy & Planning staff will advise the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LAC-DMH) on development of the program design and Request For Proposals (RFP) for the two models of the Plan which specifically address the homeless population within the Los Angeles Continuum of Care (CoC).
 - Model 1: Integrated Clinics will combine physical health, mental health, and substance abuse services in a community-based site and target homeless, uninsured and Underrepresented Ethnic Populations (UREP). Four sites will serve an estimated 400 consumers annually (100 each) at an estimated cost of \$9,100 per client annually.
 - Model 2: Integrated Mobile Teams will deploy teams that include physical and mental health and substance abuse professionals and peers to enable access to services through multiple points of entry. Three Mobile Teams will serve 300 consumers annually (100 each) at an estimated average cost of \$14,524 per client annually.

Public Speaker(s): There were no public speakers.

3.0 Report on status of regional planning activities in Los Angeles County.

Leslie Wise, Director of Policy & Planning gave the report:

Status of regional coalition and leadership development.

- Regional Coalition and Leadership Council
 - The Los Angeles CoC Regional Coalition and Leadership Council will consist of the Chairs of the various Regional Homeless Coalitions and Council of Governments (COG) planning bodies. Membership within the Regional Homeless Coalitions and Council of Governments would include representation from local cities' elected officials and/or their staff, homeless housing and service provider agencies, businesses, funders, law enforcement, faith communities, homeless/formerly homeless individuals, and advocates.
 - LAHSA will collaborate to strengthen the Continuum membership base and build local leadership at the SPA and/or COG level in order to set strategic funding direction and to coordinate legislative and policy advocacy efforts.
 - There was a brief discussion regarding the leadership in the various SPAs and LAHSA's role in supporting the work of the local coalition and leadership groups.

Public Speaker(s): There were no public speakers.

4.0 Public Participation

There were no requests for public participation.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:39 a.m.