



Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority

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MINUTES OF THE

LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY PROGRAMS & EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Held Friday, June 18, 2010

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority Commission Programs & Evaluation Committee meeting held at 453 S. Spring Street, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, California was called to order at 9:09 a.m. by Commissioner Ollague.

Attendance

LAHSA Commissioners Present:

Owen Newcomer
Louisa Ollague

LAHSA Commissioners Absent:

Cecil L. Murray

LAHSA Staff:

Michael Arnold, Executive Director
Scott Chamberlain, Funding Manager
Rachel Citron, Program Performance Analyst
Erin Hollander, Board Liaison
Jeanette Rowe, Director of Homeless Services

Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum

Roll was called and a quorum was established at 9:09 a.m.

1.0 Review and approve minutes of meeting held May 21, 2010.

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

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

Action: The motion passed unanimously.

2.0 Report on program outcomes – moving individuals from transitional to permanent housing.

Rachel Citron, Program Performance Analyst, gave the report:

- 37,809 individuals are homeless in the LA Continuum of Care (CoC), 21,964 individuals are homeless in the City of Los Angeles and approximately 89% of homeless were individuals not in families.
- Staff presented on specific causes of homelessness for individuals and families. Individuals: lack of affordable housing, substance abuse, unemployment and mental illness. Families: lack of affordable housing, poverty, unemployment and domestic violence.
- There was a discussion regarding the causes of individual and family homelessness, demographics of these groups and program performance outcomes.
- Agencies continue to improve their methods to support clients in overcoming barriers to permanent supportive housing.

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

3.0 **Approve threshold evaluation results and hear potential appeals of the 2010 Permanent Supportive Housing Program Request For Proposals (RFP).**

Scott Chamberlain, Funding Manager, gave the report:

- On April 26, 2010, LAHSA released the 2010 Permanent Supportive Housing RFP in anticipation of the Los Angeles Continuum of Care (CoC) receiving funding for new projects through the 2010 SuperNOFA. The project provides long-term, community-based housing that has supportive services for homeless persons with qualifying disabilities and their families in the Los Angeles CoC.
- The 2009 LAHSA RFP made available approximately \$11 million in Supportive Housing Program (SHP) funds for new projects. The 2010 RFP has been issued in advance of HUD's release of the 2010 SuperNOFA in order to allow sufficient time for proposing agencies and LAHSA to complete the RFP process.
- In response to the RFP, 15 proposals were received prior to the deadline and were reviewed for threshold. 14 proposals passed threshold review. There were no appeals to the results.

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

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Newcomer and seconded by Commissioner Ollague to approve the threshold evaluation results of the 2010 Permanent Supportive Housing Program RFP.

Action: The motion passed unanimously.

4.0 **Approve release of the SD1 - Gateway Cities Permanent Supportive Housing Request For Proposals (RFP).**

- This item was removed from the agenda.

5.0 **Approve release of the San Gabriel Valley Permanent Supportive Housing Request For Proposals (RFP).**

- This item was removed from the agenda.

6.0 **Update on status of LAHSA's Emergency Response Team's efforts to assist families on Skid Row.**
Jeanette Rowe, Director of Homeless Services, gave the report:

- On December 2, 2009, LAHSA's Emergency Response Team (ERT), in collaboration with the Skid Row Families Assessment Team accelerated efforts in working with the homeless families encountered at the Union Rescue Mission (URM).
- At that time, there were 64 families staying at the URM. Through collaborative efforts with homeless service providers over the past 6 months, families have been assisted with motel vouchers and/or emergency shelter, transitional housing placements and other services. Since January, 179 families have left the mission and 154 new families have arrived. LAHSA is continuing to work on minimizing the number of families entering Skid Row that have been referred by agencies and 211. LAHSA's goal is to ensure that families can be supported and served in their own communities.

7.0 **Public Participation**

There were no requests for public participation.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.