



**LEXINGTON**  
*Homelessness Prevention  
& Intervention*

**Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Board**

*Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government*

July 10, 2019

1:30pm – 3:30pm

**Agenda**

**APPROVED September 11, 2019**

**Board members present:** A. Evans, K. Plomin, R. Shepard, R. Lee, A. Wallace, J. James, J. Parker, B. Revlett, B. Davis

**Board members excused:** D. Thomas, M. Meza, J. Hodge

**Board members unexcused:**

**Others present:** Jeff Herron and Polly Ruddick (Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention), Tandi Orluk and Stephanie Gibson (Veterans Administration), Lori Clemons (Arbor Youth Services), Nikki Stanaitis (Bluegrass.Org/New Vista), Dylan Schell, Marty Jones, and Lindsay Anderson (Community Action Council), Jen Andrews (The Salvation Army), Laura Carr (Lexington Rescue Mission), Anita Lakes and Christy Shuffett (New Beginnings), Kendra Boles (Mt. Comprehensive Care Center), Tonya Christopher (Lexington Housing Authority), Phill Gunning (NAMI), Charlie Lanter (LFUCG Grants and Special Programs), Alicia Bures (Volunteers of America), April Brown (Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs), Dr. Kraig Humbaugh (Lexington-Fayette County Health Department), Rachel Perkins (St. James Place), Jessica Sucik (HealthFirst Bluegrass), Jenny Smith (Lexington Public Library), Chris Cooperrider (LFUCG Parks and Recreation).

- I. Call to Order – 1:32 p.m.
- II. Roll Call – Polly Ruddick
- III. Approval of Minutes from June 20, 2019  
**Motion** by Evans  
2<sup>nd</sup> by James  
**No Discussion**  
**Passed** – none opposed
- IV. Recognition of Steve Polston – tabled
- V. Continuum of Care Update – Jeff Herron
  - a. FY19 Scoring and Ranking  
Herron reviewed changes highlighted in packet and updates on handout given to attendees at the meeting post NOFA release. Increases on number of points given based on the emphasis in the NOFA including employment, length of homelessness  
**Motion** by Shepard  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Lee  
**No Discussion**  
**Passed** – None opposed

b. FY19 NOFA overview

Herron discussed changes to the NOFA with emphasis on employment, roll-back of true housing first models (services on recovery can be required), dedicated plus language, first time renewals cannot be reallocated, emphasis on volunteer work, and LGBTQ+ language.

Ruddick stated that they still remain true housing first on the front end with no sobriety, no income, etc. They will not deduct points if you require service once housed. It will be up to the community how much we loosen our restrictions on true housing first. Discussion with J. James on clarity of this service requirement. Ruddick stated that you still can't require medication compliance and sobriety on the front end. The Performance and Evaluation Committee would decide how to score those applications that have eligibility requirements on the front end. True housing first model remains a threshold in the scoring and raking tool.

Herron stated that we should give the same protections and requirements under a standard lease that we do for participants in our programs, i.e. landlords do not require sobriety or medication adherence.

VI. HMIS & Common Assessment Committee Report – Renee Shepard, Chair, Jeff Herron  
Herron reminded everyone that OHPI will be offering a coordinated entry training.

a. Presentation of Coordinated Entry Report – **Lindsay Anderson, Community Action Council**

Review handout.

Shepard asked Anderson regarding some data points that seemed to conflict from month to month. Anderson explained.

Ruddick explained that we have a year's worth of data now on coordinated entry so we can now start to see trends and timelines for the system. Individuals are still scoring 14 and above so we still have very acute individuals in the system making the length of time on the list very long.

Clemons expressed concerns about the layout of the report being very confusing as providers and hard to understand.

Revlett asked about Bluegrass.Org being over capacity. Ruddick stated that they completed a budget amendment several years ago to remove supportive services and do more housing and have now gone back and added supportive services back into the grant and therefore are starting to roll number of beds back off the program.

Gibson asked about the Hope Center new permanent housing project. James stated that the units were all full but not from the by name list. The units serve Hope Center clients first. Sobriety based.

b. Presentation of Veterans Coordinated Entry Report – **Anne Vandervort, Volunteers of America**

No report

VII. Program Performance & Evaluation Committee Report – **Angela Evans, Chair**

a. No report

VIII. Advocacy, Issues and Programs Committee Report – **Adrian Wallace, Chair**



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Herron reported on a short meeting. Bluegrass Care Navigators are looking to start a hospice house sub-committee. Some discussion on encampment standard operating procedures. Wallace invited attendees to directly speak to him regarding concerns on the encampment SOPs.

IX. Encampment SOPs and Review Report – **Polly Ruddick**

Recap of activities in the General Services Committee on July 9<sup>th</sup> with resolution coming out of committee. The SOPs will be a rolling advocacy committee agenda items. OHPI is working under the SOPs now and is also during street outreach.

Reported out on removal of camps. LFUCG has removed 2 camps. One of Old Paris Pike and the other at Main St. and Newtown Pike intersection under the overpass going out towards Leestown Road. Main St. will be placed as an emphasis area during the next removal.

Plomin asked for clarification on the Street Outreach 2.0 RFP. Ruddick stated that the RFP is out and due July 25<sup>th</sup>. Ruddick stated this is an expanded program under this RFP.

Parker stated that all discussions and questions regarding the SOP need to be addressed in committee.

Lee mentioned that someone should reach out to Catholic Action to help her understand why camps are being cleaned up and what is happening to this individuals. Evans asked that Plomin speak to Ms. Ramsey about Lee's points of concern. Plomin and Evans had a quick discussion. Parker reminded everyone that discussion on this topic needs to be handled in committee.

X. OHPI Director's Report – **Polly Ruddick**

Ruddick stated that she included in the RFP for consultant for the board and that OHPI was trying to run this plan at the same time as the Consolidated Plan/Action Plan and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Plan.

XI. Next Regular Meeting

a. September 11, 2019, 1:30 – 3:30 Central Library, Conference Room A

XII. Adjourn

**Motion** by Evans

**2<sup>nd</sup>** by Davis

**No Discussion**

**Passed** – none opposed

\*Denotes action item by HPI Board

\*\* Denotes action item by CoC Membership