GB Meeting Notes

Lesson 2: CoC Governance & Network

5/15/24

[Recording](https://youtu.be/b0-5ekcAh0k)

Presentation: [CoC Governance & Network](https://www.canva.com/design/DAGEjC3_f0M/7mrSpXJZaotmrZ9AoATSxg/edit?utm_content=DAGEjC3_f0M&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton)

* Are GB members allowed on committees and advisories?
  + Yes, there is not conflict of interest. The Lived Experience Advisory (LEA) is now accepting guests with advanced notice.
  + DSS and CDLI would like to get input from the LEA
* Can the charter be made available to review? Are there governing documents and notes for individual committees that can be reviewed?
  + The charter will be sent out, which outlines the scope of the committees. There are not other committee documents available for review at this time.
* Are committees and advisories "staffed up" on an elected, selected, or strictly volunteer basis- those who step up are onboarded?
  + Some committees are elected and carefully onboarded, including the Ranking and Monitoring Committees. For other committees, enrollment is more open and onboarding is more informal.
* Are there stipends for committee/advisory participation?
  + Yes, people with lived experience are paid with gift cards at an hourly rate for participating in the LEA and other committees.

Breakout room activity: [CoC Network Map](https://www.canva.com/design/DAGDiofOSuU/o4hop20JdKDeW8aaywmapw/edit?utm_content=DAGDiofOSuU&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton)

* Questions: What can role can this stakeholder play in the CoC? Who is missing from the network map?
* Healthcare provider group (Greta, Alison, Sarah)
  + HUD has been pushing integrated healthcare services in permanent housing services.
  + On LI, that could look like built in referrals and supports for households within programs, eliminating delays in seeing doctors. That could include clinicians coming into units.
  + In Buffalo, NY larger developments have clinics built into them that are for the residents/tenants.
  + Who is missing from the stakeholder map?
    - Elected officials and the their staffs
    - LGBTQ advocates
    - Transitional housing and service providers. CoC and ESG have some, but there are other types of TH that may be funded in other ways that could play an integral role.
    - There was a category for advocates, which is a little broad. Group wanted to makes sure the types of advocates were specified.
* Local government group (Jamie, Amanda, Sol)
  + Missing stakeholders
    - LGBTQ
    - School districts – Jamie has had meetings with hotspot districts that want help
    - Private sector businesses and philanthropy – filling in gaps between what DSS and other providers can do
    - Elected officials – it would be nice for them to hear about the problems for real
  + Role for local government: typically the liaison to stakeholders in that community. It is important for them to be involved
  + Does every town have a version of the stakeholder map in their district dedicated to help with homelessness?
    - Town of Brookhaven has different groups involved in general services (woman, seniors, veterans, etc.). In Section 8 program and community development try to touch every avenue, but there are not enough people and there is not enough money to do it.
    - The CoC connects and leverages across different jurisdictions
* People with lived experience group (Stacy, Mia, Rachel)
  + PLE should be involved in the process from the start to the end, not just to sign off at the end. There should be constant input. They are the most important part of this program and can give the best feedback on what we are doing right wrong or otherwise.
  + Missing stakeholders – came up with a lot of the same things
    - Funders, financial empowerment
    - Homeless service providers with housing options
    - HUD representative to give more insight on their side it so we can better understand
    - Elected officials
    - Community stakeholders – the regular person that is not really involved but when affordable housing comes up they have impact on whether they want it in their community or not
* Community organizations group (Terri, Samantha)
  + Non-governmental organizations can be critical to connect people in need, to advocates, to government agencies, to funders and even support services. They can help further identify needs and gaps within the community and even provide services. They can help collect data, both quantitative and anecdotal to identify gaps and resource disparities. They can create and raise awareness, fill in the missing links in our homeless response system, be advocates, and share resources.
  + NGOs are generally less limited than government and non-profit organizations, so they have more flexibility to maneuver in the community.
  + Missing stakeholders
    - Legal advocacy
    - LGBTQ

Jamie: Homeless liaisons in Nassau would jump at the opportunity to be involved in the CoC to help resolve issues in homeless children

**Attendees**:

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