

A Way Home for Tulsa

Leadership Council Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2021 | 1:30 pm | Boston Avenue Church

Agenda Item

1. Welcome & Call to Order
 - a. Melanie Stewart called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call – Erin Velez
 - a. See attendance after meeting minutes
3. Approve October Minutes*
 - a. Melanie Stewart called for motion to approve October Minutes. Jeff Jaynes motioned, Nancy Curry 2nd. Motion passed.
4. NOFO Update – Homebase
 - a. Posted ranked approved list Nov 1
 - b. Posted on Housing Solutions website Nov 10
 - c. Housing Solutions will submit to HUD Nov 12
 - d. Leverage letters will add 10 bonus points
 - e. Initial funding announcements will be in December or January
 - f. Tier 2 funding will be announced in January or February
5. SSVF – Rachel Runfola
 - a. \$1.7M over the next two years to assist veterans to put them on shallow subsidy.
 - i. 30% of monthly rent
 - ii. Utilities
 - iii. Dec 1 start enrolling
 - iv. Coordinated with landlord
 - v. Veteran stays in the program for 2 years
 - vi. An agreement will be signed by both the landlord and the tenant so everyone understands what is expected
6. Lead Agency Report – Becky Gilgo
 - a. Check Your Bias training on Nov 12
 - b. Legislative agenda for the year
 - i. Amendment to Landlord Tenant Act
 1. Anti-retaliation
 2. Increase in repair and deduct cap - 1 month rent or \$1000 – whichever is smaller
7. HUB Update – Shandi Campbell
 - a. Launched on August 3
 - b. 864 people. seen – included 34 landlords
 - c. 308 helped with onsite

- d. Fridays at Family Safety Center
 - e. The HUB operates Monday – Thursday from 1 to 430
 - f. Promo code for public transportation
 - g. Pop-up event Nov 10 at Veteran’s Park at 6th and Peoria
 - h. Giving out information on the Gold Star Landlord program
 - i. Apartment acquisitions to check for available units
 - j. Restore Hope is helping to handle the numbers – so they have not had to turn people away due to staffing
8. ERAP Update – Jeff Jaynes
- a. Vista Shadow Mountain
 - i. Restore Hope has distributed \$650k
 - 1. \$400 for hotel and moving costs
 - 2. \$150 to move people to new housing
 - b. 25k applications – 12k are already processed
 - c. \$21M distributed – about \$1M a week on average
 - d. Access to \$7.5M with the state
 - e. Issued 6 housing stability grants using county dollars – one to Housing Solutions for the HUB, one to the Day Center, one to the Dream Center, one to the Catholic charities, Owasso Community Resources and Broken Arrow Neighbors
9. Provider Dashboards – Olivia Denton Koopman
- a. Reports and Data Page on Housing Solutions website
 - i. September data
 - 1. 40 more clients than this time last year in CoC
 - 2. 70 households housed last month
 - 3. 9.5 months average length
 - 4. 77% clients have been assessed
 - 5. 89% utilization for permeant supportive housing
 - b. Provider level dashboard
 - i. Working on a user manual – hopefully complete by December
 - ii. Dashboard is interactive and information is live
 - iii. Hover feature shows more information
 - iv. Features an assessment deep dive
 - v. On the Housing Solutions website
10. PIT Update – Tyler Parette
- a. Waiting for guidance from HUD
 - b. Anticipating similar numbers to last year
 - c. Changes
 - i. Adopting a new survey tool – will be mobile friendly – geo tagging feature
 - ii. Iron Gate has agreed to let them use the space
 - d. Task group will start meeting in the next week or two
11. Connecting Clients to Employment Training – WorkAdvance – Emily Walker
- a. Started as a Federal grant

- b. Helps people get into long term careers
 - c. Goal is to bring in underserved population
 - d. Employer partnerships
 - e. Support employees with resume help and guidance
 - f. Refer clients directly to WorkAdvance (918-442-2200)
 - g. Partnered with TCC and TulsaTech
 - h. Process
 - i. Orientation to learn about program
 - ii. Interview – very personal
 - iii. Panel does case conference to determine where that client will be most successful
 - iv. Training program
 - v. Career readiness training that is a week long
 - 1. Interview prep
 - 2. Resume
 - 3. Emotional intelligence
 - vi. Team helps with job placement
 - I. For more information visit WorkAdvance.org or call 918-442-2200
12. Public Comments – Melanie Stewart
- a. Networking task force for AWH4T
 - i. In person networking event
 - ii. McNelly's downtown Nov 17 from 4 to 6
 - iii. An email will be sent out
 - b. Action Tulsa
 - i. Looking for tenant organizer – preferably someone approximate to the situation
 - ii. Will send out job description
 - c. Plans city wide for housing development
 - i. Talked to County, City and OHFA
 - ii. Hotel conversions
 - iii. More money to affordable housing trust fund
 - iv. Landlord recruitment fair
 - d. Restore Hope and Financial Empowerment Center have partnered
 - i. Help people who have reached a cap and are no longer eligible for assistance
 - e. Participant Action Group
 - i. Working on building membership
 - ii. Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of every month at Iron Gate at 10am
 - iii. Next meeting is Nov 16
 - iv. Looking for clients who would be a good fit for the lived experience group
 - v. More information will be sent out
13. Meeting Adjourned

Name	Representing	Category	Term	Y/N
Mark Hogan	City of Tulsa	Appointed	2 years	N
Keri Fothergill	Tulsa County	Appointed	2 years	N
Terri Cole	Tulsa Housing Authority	Appointed	2 years	Y
Claudia Brierre	INCOG	Appointed	2 years	Y
Melanie-Stewart	Provider Agencies	Elected	1 year	Y
Mack Haltom	Provider Agencies	Elected	1 year	Y
Greg Shinn	Provider Agencies	Elected	2 years	Y
Jim DeLong	Participant Advisory Group	Elected	2 years	Y
Vacant	Youth Advisory Board	Elected	1 year	
Cory Pebworth	Business/Commerce	Invited	1 year	N
Nancy Curry	Funders	Invited	1 year	Y
Greg Robinson	At-Large Representative	Invited	2 years	Y
Donnie House	At-Large Representative	Invited	1 year	Y
Jeff Jaynes	At-Large Representative	Invited	1 year	Y
Matt McCord	At-Large Representative	Invited	2 years	Y