Homelessness Prevention Subcommittee Minutes

Wednesday, December 6, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Council Members:

Will Towne – Spectrum Youth Services Adnan Duracak – DMH Designee Mary Moulton - WCMHS Monica White –DAIL Chris Winters – DCF Kim Anetsberger – Lamoille House Kelly Dougherty - VDH Designee

Committee Members:

Rebecca Plumber - Vermont Legal Aid
Beverly Boget — VT Early Childhood Advocacy Alliance
Daniel Blankenship - VSHA Designee
Jay Ramsey - Director of Workforce Development, DOL
Chadd Viger -Recovery House
Rachel Hale — Hale Resource Designee
Katy Preston — AOE
Pollaidh Major- VHCB
Theresa Wood — State Representative

Absent:

Monica Hutt – Governor's office Kathleen Berk - VSHA Derek Miodownik- DOC Designee Justin Davis, AHS CO

Guests:

Lily Sojourner – DCF/OEO
David Riegel – AHS
Kristin Kellett – AHS
Lindsay Thrall - Evernorth
Molly Dugan - Cathedral Square
Miranda Gray – DCF/ESD

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- Call to order (1:32)
- Public comment: No public comment was made.

- Update on Housing Development Subcommittee- Commissioner Winters gave a brief update on Housing Development Subcommittee and that we are in similar alignment looking to further finalize the tactical action plan.
- Approval of Minutes (11/20 & 11/29)
 Motion to Approve: Will Towne
 Second to Motion: Mary Moulton

All in Favor of Approving Minutes from 11/20 & 11/29

- Define key strategies, tactics, or plans with measurable performance metrics
 - o Reviewed line-by-line tactical action plan and prioritized the list
 - A question was raised regarding whether or not the Landlord Relief Funds are available to Downstreet and if not, a suggest to ask for more money in contingency funding.
 - The Landlord Relief Fund is a one-time allocation of funds and the multi-disciplinary group that helped develop the program identified priorities for funding (for tenants, landlords, types of rental assistance) with one of the goals being not to duplicate where state and federal dollars are going to support tenants and landlords. So in response to the question, some Downstreet units/tenants may be eligible and some may not be eligible. The admin plan goes into detail: https://landlordreliefportal.reframeassist.io/#/owner/help
 - HOP financial assistance guidance is here
 https://outside.vermont.gov/dept/DCF/Shared%20Documents/OEO/HOP/SFY23-HOP-Financial-Assistance-Standards.pdf and on page 1 is the eligibility.
- Confirm future meetings
 - o 12/13- Combined Subcommittee Recommendation Work 1:30-2:30 pm
 - o 12/14- Combined Subcommittee Recommendation Work 3-4pm
 - o 12/19- Full Council Meeting 10am-noon
- Close meeting (3:00)