Vermont Council on Housing and Homelessness Homelessness Prevention Subcommittee Virtual Meeting Link

Meeting Thursday, October 5th, 2:30-4 pm

Waterbury State Office Complex – Ash Conference Room

In attendance: Will Towne, Daniel Blankenship, Chadd Viger, Rachel Hale, Rebecca Plumber, Monica Hutt, Katy Preston, Chris Winters, David Riegel, Kristen Kellett

Regrets: Mary Moulton, Pollidah Major, Beverly Bouquet, Thressa Wood, DAIL, DOL, DMH, VDH, DOC, Miranda Gray, Lily Sojourner

Visitors: none

- Call to order (2:34 pm)
- Edits to the agenda (2:40)
- Public comment (2:41)
- Subcommittee membership. What voices are missing? (2:45)
 - Do designees count as Council members for Subcommittee membership?
 Homelessness Prevention Subcommittee (Yellow Highlights are Council members)
 - Will Towne
 - Mary Moulton
 - Daniel Blankenship VSHA
 - VHCB Pollidah Major
 - Chadd Viger
 - Zak Hale
 - Rebecca Plumber Vermont Legal Aid
 - Beverly Bouquet VT Child Advocacy
 - Theresa Wood Representative
 - Monica Hutt Governors office
 - DAIL Staffer Need Name
 - DOL Designee Who?
 - DMH Designee Who
 - VDH designee Who
 - DOC designee- Who
 - Katy Preston –
 - Miranda Gray
 - Chris Winters -DCF
 - David Riegel

- Kristin Kellett
- ADDITIONAL MEMBER THOUGHTS:
 - Someone with Lived Experience BoS CoC lived experience committee?
 - Service Provider's pathways, Kim Anetsberger?
 - BoS CoC representative
- Review the current scope of work (3:00)
 - By December 31, 2023, the Council shall deliver to the Governor a Tactical Action Plan outlining annual strategies, specific tactics, and measurable annual performance metrics to ensure affordable housing options exist for all Vermonters, at all income levels.
 - This Tactical Action Plan shall include specific and measurable interventions to reduce the number of Vermonters becoming homeless each year; and plans to achieve specific, clearly defined, and measurable annual performance metrics for all key strategies, tactics, or plans.
 - Recommend to the Governor state and federal policies to improve housing availability, affordability, and stability.
- Open discussion on how to approach the deliverable (3:15)
 - o General discussion on strategies for the deliverable
 - Services- Tenancy sustaining, increased pressure on property management
 - Subsidies- shallow/temporary, permanent
 - Workforce challenges
 - High-end system of care discharge planning
 - Leasing in place
 - Regulatory reform- Landlord engagement, Eviction laws
 - Chris and Dave will sketch out topics for the next 3-5 meetings. Save some meetings to pull together deliverable
 - Send out the reading list
- Confirm next and future meeting(s) (3:55)
 - Wednesdays at 1:30pm
- Close meeting (4:00)