



Ryana Parks-Shaw

Councilwoman, 5th District

City of Kansas City, MO

414 E. 12th St., 22nd Floor

MEETING PLANNER/MINUTES

MEETING TITLE: Houseless Task Force		DATE HELD: January 18, 2022	
MEETING PURPOSE:		NEXT MEETING: February 15, 2022	
FACILITATOR: CW Ryana Parks-Shaw			
TASK FORCE MEMBERS			
<input type="checkbox"/> CW Ryana Parks-Shaw - chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Marc Canovi	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Marqueia Watson – co-chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Shannon Dooley	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Anton Washington	<input type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Boyer	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Becky Poitras	<input type="checkbox"/> Travis Barnhart	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Edwin Lowndes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Jaysen Vansickle	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Malesa Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>		
ATTENDEES			
<input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Anne Williamson	<input type="checkbox"/> Samantha Bradfield	Anne Jordan	
<input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Tidwell	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Decker	Leslie Aguilar	
<input type="checkbox"/> Joe Guarino	<input type="checkbox"/> Lori Butcher	Cortlynn Stark	
<input type="checkbox"/> Kimiko Gilmore	<input type="checkbox"/> Mary	Darron Story	
<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Connelly	<input type="checkbox"/> Amanda Wilson	Ester Holzendorf	
<input type="checkbox"/> Marilyn Sanders	<input type="checkbox"/> Evie Craig	John Santer	
<input type="checkbox"/> Monica Sanders	<input type="checkbox"/> Janay Reliford Davis	Kelly J Berry	
OBJECTIVES/AGENDA:	OWNER/NOTES	ACTION ITEMS/RESULTS	
1. General Information	This discussion focused on updates for the Immediate Action Plan and next steps for the Community Needs Assessment. This meeting met quorum.		
2. Minutes Approval 12-07-2021 Meeting	Minutes from 12.07.2021 meeting approved.		



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3.	Immediate Action Plan	<p>Jim Connelly provided an update on the Extreme Weather Plan for cold weather. Emergency shelters are open if daily temperature is below 32 degrees, or the night temperature is below 20 degrees. The primary overflow shelter is the Garrison Center, which is open from 6pm-8am when temperatures meet criteria. There are overnight cots for 100 people, and the shelter served 105 clients over both days. No complaints from local neighborhood and only had one emergency call for a person with a preexisting condition. The greatest obstacle was transportation but is working to make progress int his area. Will need to work on issues with moving cots when not being used as overnight shelter.</p> <p>Marqueia – GKCHH on bus all weekend to support operations and will be writing a summary of the work that was accomplished.</p> <p>Jennifer Tidwell provided update for transitional housing units and associated social services. Social service organizations are working in collaboration to support the Emergency Solutions Grant and under Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) to help folks with rental assistance and case management. Provided additional funding for particular agencies under emergency solutions grant to increase capacity and to help them do coordinated entry at their locations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update on staffing for houseless manager – offered position to a candidate, person has accepted and will be onboarded by end of the month - Lotus Care House: providing coordinated entry and will be doing additional services moving forward with contract, and during cold weather they have been accepting folks into transitional housing <p>Parks Shaw and Robinson passed ordinance for supplies for unhoused and to help agencies capacity build and get additional staffing</p> <p>Marqueia - Working with KC Pet project to foster pets while unhoused pet-owner is in shelter</p>	<p>CW Parks-Shaw would like Housing Department to provide data on monthly basis of how many individuals are using ERAP</p>
4.	Community Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan	<p>Dr. Williamson presented next steps in preparation of the full Community Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan and walked through timeline.</p>	
5.	Community Asset Organizations	<p>Dr. Williamson discussed community asset organizations.</p>	<p>Taskforce members asked to make calls to community organizations that have not yet responded to survey</p>
6.	Additional Items as Needed	<p>COC update on point in time (POT) decision - Marqueia COC board and committee in charge of POT discussed postponing POT due to COVID-19. Currently not possible to have a COVID-19 safe count and there are issues around staffing. Will be petitioning HUD to postpone POT to first weekend of March, this is still to be determined and speaking to community to make final decision.</p>	
7.			
8.	Next Agenda Topics	<p>Encampment policy update, House America Initiative Update</p>	
ISSUES AND ACTION ITEMS (DELEGATED TASKS)		CURRENT STATUS / COMMENTS	OWNER ESTIMATED RESOLUTION DATE



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ADDITIONAL MEETING COMMENTS