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OF

THE NEVADA INTERAGENCY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS TO HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

June 18, 2024

The Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Subcommittee for Technical Assistance was called to order by Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer at 1:02 p.m. on Tuesday, June 18th, 2024. This meeting is being conducted virtually. This meeting was noticed in accordance with Nevada Open Meeting Law and posted on https://dwss.nv.gov/Home/Features/Public-Information/ the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services website.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer, Owner, CEO, Chief Strategist, Winged Wolf Innovations LLC
Brooke Page, Corporation for Supportive Housing Director, Southwest, Nevada
Karen Van Hest, Director of Reimbursement and Compliance at Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada
Adrienne Babbitt, Field Office Director, Department of Housing and Urban Development
Julee King, Product Manager, Bitfocus Inc.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chris Murphy, Grants Manager, Churchill Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs DBA: New Frontier, Nevada Austin Pollard, State Housing Manager for United Healthcare
Lorena Lemus, Case Management Services Coordinator Northern Nevada Hopes, Reno Nevada
Dr. Pamela Juniel, McKinney-Vento Coordinator, Nevada Department of Education, Nevada
Nolga Valadez, Benefit Services Outreach Manager, Three Square, Nevada
Cristy Costa, Human Services Director, Northern Nevada Community Housing
Kimberly Martin, Corporate Administrator, Clean Shot Living
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OTHERS PRESENT:

Shelly Aguilar, Social Services Chief, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services Division of Welfare and Supportive Services

Alexis Ochoa, Social Services Manager, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services Division of Welfare and Supportive Services

Carlea Freeman, Family Services Supervisor, Homeless to Housing, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services Division of Welfare and Supportive Services

Maria Isabell Nungaray, Administrative Assistant, Homeless to Housing, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Nevada

Abigail Bagolor, Administrative Assistant, Homeless to Housing, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Nevada

Athanasia Dalacas, sitting in for Ryan Sunga, DAG, Nevada

Agenda Item I. [Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call]

Maria Isabell Nungaray:

Good afternoon, and welcome to the Governor's Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Technical Assistance Subcommittee. This meeting has been publicly noticed and compliance with Nevada's open meeting law. Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer will call the meeting to order.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Good afternoon, it is 1:02 p.m. on June 18th, 2024. I'd like to call the meeting of the Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Subcommittee for Technical Assistance to order. Will the moderator please call roll?

Maria Isabell Nungaray: [Roll Call. We Do Not Have Quorum.]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you. Let's go on to item number two.

Agenda Item II. [General Public Comments]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Item number two on our agenda is public comment. No action may be taken upon a matter raised until the matter has been specifically added to the agenda. Comments are limited to three minutes. If you are making

a public comment via phone, please call 1-775-321-6111, ID 758 695 708#. We are now open to public comment. Please unmute yourself and state your name for the council. Do we have any public comment? Seeing none, hearing none, we will close this item. There will be another opportunity for public comment at the end of the meeting. We will move on to agenda item number three.

Agenda Item III. [For Possible Action – Champions and TA Subcommittee Members to Discuss Content and Proposed Plans of Action for Strategic Issues]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

No action can be taken on this agenda item since we do not have quorum. We can discuss the content of the action plan for the strategic issues. We proposed to have all action steps turned in to the Homeless to Housing team by the end of March. Move forward with cleaning all information. To have a solid plan for the Interagency Advisory Council on Homeless to Housing by August. So, they could have that plan ready when they start working on bill drafts. We are behind schedule. A couple of teams did not turn in their action steps to go with their plan regarding their assigned strategic issues. We had to restructure and reassigned some areas. We need to brainstorm to address the action plan and how to move forward. I would like to pass the baton to Brooke to lead the conversation.

Brooke Page:

Thank you, Michele. Hi everyone. I would like to thank every champion who took the time to convene various meetings. To get us to where we are at. We have eight strategic issues. There's a significant amount of information that needs to be flushed out. The working groups had diverse groups of people that consistently met. Compiled their thoughts around these strategic issues. We don't want to lose sight of that magnitude of work. We have the opportunity to synthesize this information. To identify if we can move forward with policy recommendations. Because of time sensitivity, I would like to discuss to identify a small group of folks. Who is willing to come through this material. To bring potential policy recommendations back to our July meeting. Is there anyone interested in joining a working group meeting before the July meeting?

Adrienne Babbitt:

I'd be willing to join that group.

Brooke Page:

Thank you. Michelle, are you interested?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Yes. With your proposed suggestion, will that just be members of the Subcommittee? Or will you consider including members of the general public?

Brooke Page:

Any interested person who wants to be a part of this conversation should be allowed. It's important to be as inclusive as possible.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

We encourage anybody from the public to raise their hand or volunteer to be a part of the working group.

Shannon Couk:

I want to be a part of the sign up.

Brooke Page:

I have Adrienne, Michelle and Shannon. Anyone else interested? Any thoughts on this approach?

Adrienne Babbitt:

At the last meeting, we were all tasked with reviewing the content for any overlap and duplication. Are we going to discuss any of the actions in today's meeting?

Brooke Page:

Yes. I will follow up with the three folks who volunteered to be a part of the small working group. To schedule a time before our next meeting regarding policy recommendations. Another topic we want to discuss is regarding the areas with no action steps. There were some ideas about getting consulting support. To get the remaining content complete for our action plan.

Adrienne Babbitt:

I volunteered to be the champion for strategic issue number two. We held a meeting this morning. To start brainstorming some action items potentially for prevention. There is a lot more work that needs to be done. I want to clarify if I should continue in developing that? Or that plan is going to shift?

Brooke Page:

Thank you for taking the initiative. That is the process we've taken as a work group. I think we should continue the work.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I concur. Regardless of how we move forward with our recommendations to the ICHH and the upcoming legislative session, we still need to flesh out the action plan. We need to get input from the community, the state as a whole. Adrienne, I commend you for moving forward. That is a good and solid plan. We need to do the same for the Education and Workforce Development group.

Adrienne Babbitt:

Thank you. There are several policy ideas in our existing action plan that are listed in various strategic issues. Some of the policies are not clearly defined within the goals and policy. But are potentially in line with the description of the issue itself. Are all policies going in policy? Or is it likely that we'll have several policy actions across all of the strategic issues?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

That's a great question and discussion item. If we can put a pin in that for just a second, I would appreciate it. Brooke, do you have anything else that you need to discuss?

Brooke Page:

We still have the Education and Workforce group. Are there any ideas on how we get this work complete? There's also a need to ensure that we'll get a broad representation of the content that we 4 | Page

have. We need diverse perspectives from rural, urban and frontier communities throughout the state. How do we plan to get to the finish line?

Adrienne Babbitt:

We want to make sure that the action plan that is being submitted in final draft form has the buy ins. With appropriate input and representation of the entire state. Is that correct?

Brooke Page:

Yes. There's a lot of work that this committee may not have the bandwidth and capacity to complete. We wanted to get your ideas. To see if we should subcontract this out to a consulting firm. Or do we task this with one of our state agencies to help us figure out how to finalize.

Adrienne Babbit:

Is August the finish line date?

Brooke Page:

These are just checkpoints to ensure that we are staying true to some movement.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

During the last meeting, we asked all of you to go through the action items. To identify any overlap. If there were any action items that need to be moved. We can take notes of where you think those might need to be moved.

Brooke Page:

Adrienne, do you have some changes that you would like to discuss?

Adrienne Babbitt:

Yes. Many of them were questions if this should be moved to policy. There were a few that could be potentially moved to data or strategic issue number six. For the first strategic issue's goal one established data tracking systems. Should that be moved to data issue?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Establish consistent data tracking systems. You're suggesting that be moved to strategic issue number six?

Adrienne Babbitt:

Yes. As well as regulating what the insurance company is. The step to investigate limiting the number of properties out of state investors can purchase could lead to a policy idea. The description of what the policy issue is managing fits with the intention of the policy idea. But is not supported in the specific goals that are listed.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Any other thoughts? Let's move on to strategic issue one goal number two.

Brooke Page:

Developing a standardized tenant selection housing policy for who can access housing could be a policy recommendation. There is a housing policy forum that's coming up. That will be a good opportunity for us to pitch an idea.

Adrienne Babbitt:

I agree. Is the forum towards the end of July?

Brooke Page:

Yes. They will be doing a call for action.

Adrienne Babbit:

I have a few policies for goal two in housing. Prioritize policies that are tenant rights focused and incentivize communities that have low barrier access to housing. Increase tenant protections to address rent control to prevent evictions. Increase accountability of property managers to reduce barriers to entry. Prioritize the development of supportive housing that targets access to housing for specific populations. Develop policies that require housing interventions that are evidence-based solutions and research based.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Recommend policy changes to source of income discrimination and equitable access to housing could be a policy too.

Adrienne Babbit:

It states recommending changes and not developing. Where would the distinction be between advocating and implementing?

Brooke Page:

The intent of the action plan was to take these priorities. Then identify what are the actionable next steps.

Adrienne Babbitt:

The tracking mechanism could be potentially moved to data. Increase supportive services could be moved to wrap around services or health coordination.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

The public awareness campaign is identified in the long-term planning.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I agree. Any other thoughts? Anything on goal three that needs to be moved?

Adrienne Babbitt:

I have a question about developing standardized data driven processes. Whether that should go in data. It fits into the description of care mapping. But if the definition will be expanded, it might go to data.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

As the data currently stands, maybe not. But the data section could be expanded a bit.

Brooke Page:

This goal is specific to supportive housing. Moving it may take away the major components. That is required to ensure that things are data driven. The pipeline for supportive housing is data driven. We are not developing stuff that is not needed in our housing stock.

Adrienne Babbitt:

Is that developing the data and use the database as a different action steps?

Brooke Page:

There will be a lot of steps within this action. But this is just a major piece of it. Without the needs assessment study to track what we have. It will be hard to create a plan for what we need. The intent is to have a robust plan.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

It sounds like we need it in data. Once it's fleshed out, we need some language in the data section that speaks to that. For tracking those activities.

Brooke Page:

Is there a goal in data that calls for that?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Not currently. But it sounds like we need to have one. Next is section four. Any thoughts?

Brooke Page:

Identifying dedicated permanent capital, operating and service funding sources could be a policy idea.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

The data section only has two goals. It's mapping and integrating the data across all systems of care. And working with UNLV with the data mapping project.

Brooke Page:

There is a connection to the data section with transparency around the housing finance system. As well as tracking their housing inventory on a dashboard.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Anything else in this section? What about goal five?

Adrienne Babbitt:

I have a question about the statewide tracking system. What they are used for, and eligibility criteria to access funding. Either this should be in data or long-term planning. Developing systems for Medicaid to interface with CoCs should be in coordination with medical.

Julee King:

I'm looking at the engage with outreach and engagement at the university to connect students. Does that make sense to be in education and workforce development?

Brooke Page:

Yes.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Anything else for goal five? Let's move on to goal six.

Adrienne Babbitt:

I have the develop a roommate housing opportunity database system. To connect people to potential roommate opportunities under prevention or intervention. Although this goal specifically talks about shared housing and roommates.

Brooke Page:

Yes, it could be prevention. Or could also be intervention for folks that are currently unhoused.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Is identifying ways to improve Housing Choice Voucher a policy? It's not a state policy but is policy regarding the Housing Authority policies, isn't it?

Adrienne Babbitt:

I think it would be more like landlord engagement to improve utilization. If that's the identified challenge.

Brooke Page:

Is this a strategy to work with the Housing Authorities to figure out what is the ideal utilization rate?

Adrienne Babbitt:

Right. Unless we're looking at source of income protection as policy. It could be multiple.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Is there anything in wrap around services that anybody identified that need to be moved?

Adrienne Babbitt:

I thought that the data sharing and outcome tracking should be in data section.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Are you referring to establish mechanisms for data sharing and outcome tracking between Continuum of Care providers and state agencies?

Adrienne Babbitt:

Yes.

Julee King:

This entire goal two should be in the prevention and intervention section. I don't know if we would consider moving an entire goal.

Adrienne Babbitt:

I agree that there's an overlap with goal two and prevention and intervention.

Brooke Page:

I don't think it's all inclusive to prevention. What we are lacking in this work is informed funding sources. Base on philanthropy, corporate sponsorships, private and public partnerships. All strategies must be in alignment with what's being asked. And how funders can interface with the work.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Where do you think it should live?

Brooke Page:

Is there a category for communication outreach and engagement?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

There was an intention in long term planning.

Brooke Page:

There's a need for consistent messaging on how the issue is being elevated.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

We can redefine some of the things in long term planning. We can use this section for communication and public awareness. Then move the housing related issue to the housing section. Any other thoughts around the content of the action plan? If anybody has thoughts, please send them to me. I will make notes on the worksheet.

Brooke Page:

I will follow up with the folks who volunteered. Please look out for a meeting notice.

Adrienne Babbitt:

Should we be strategic in inviting others to that meeting?

Brooke Page:

Yes, we will share the invitation with other people.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Let's move on to agenda item number four.

Agenda Item IV. [For Possible Action – Discussion of Upcoming Conference and Request to Provide Update of Strategic Action Plan as a Session]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

We can't take any action, but we can have a discussion around the upcoming conference. We were requested to do a session by the planning committee. This is for the third Annual Statewide Conference on Ending Homelessness. They requested an update from this group regarding our strategic action plan. Any thoughts around this group's presentation at the statewide conference? It will be held on October 7th and 8th. Dr. Grigsby-Thedford, is there anything else that you would like to add to this request?

Dr. Catrina Grigsby-Thedford:

The conference will be on a Monday and a Tuesday. You will have the opportunity to choose which day you want. It will be in front of the full conference attendees and not a breakout session. The update will be a great addition to the conference. Thank you.

Brooke Page:

It will be a great opportunity for our final draft to be ready by the conference date.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

That is a great idea. Any thoughts? Anybody who wants to present at the conference?

Adrienne Babbitt:

I'll be happy to help present any materials if needed.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I appreciate that, Adrienne. Anything else on this agenda item? Seeing none, hearing none, let's move on to agenda number five.

Agenda Item V. [For Information Only – Discussion of Agenda Items for the Next Meeting on July 16, 2024]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Any suggestions for our next agenda?

Brooke Page:

Can we initiate the process of removing a member from our body who may meet the criteria of not being present?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Isabell, can your team do a review of the attendance? To verify who has and has not attended on a regular basis.

Maria Isabell Nungaray:

Yes, will do.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you. We can do the outreach to ensure that members are aware of their attendance commitment to this group.

Brooke Page:

It would be good if we can get an update on the 2024 Point in Time counts.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

We will ask the CoCs.

Adrienne Babbitt:

We talked about making a decision on how to flush out the action plan. Getting a consultant or other body. We also had a discussion around movement of potential plans of action.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

We need to put back the item to vote to participate in the upcoming conference.

Brooke Page:

It will be good to add who will be presenting at the conference as part of that decision.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Anything else? We will go ahead and close this agenda item. We will move on to agenda item number six.

Agenda Item VI. [General Public Comments]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

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Agenda Item VII. [Adjournment: 2:41 PM]

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