

Interagency Council on Homelessness

September 10, 2008

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Olympia, Washington

Present:

Will Graham, Assistant Director for Housing, CTED – Chair

Kari Burrell, Executive Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor

Jody Becker-Green, Assistant Secretary, DSHS

Donna Cayer, Assistant Deputy Secretary, Community Corrections Division, DOC

Mark Streuli, Policy Manager, WorkSource Operations, ESD

Patricia Julianelle for Melinda Dyer, State Coordinator for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth, OSPI

ICH Member Staff:

Michelle Watson, Administrative Assistant Donna Cayer, DOC

Toni Johnson, Program Coordinator – Homelessness/Housing and Services, DSHS

CTED Staff:

Annie Conant

Tedd Kelleher

Bruce Yasutake

Homeless Plan and 2008 Annual Report

Tedd Kelleher reviewed and ICH members provided feedback on the draft Homeless Plan and Annual Report. Updates will be incorporated in the plan, which will be emailed to a 700+ list of stakeholders the week of September 15.

Update:

The draft plan was emailed to 250+ (most up-to-date CTED Housing Assistance Unit stakeholders list) stakeholders. Comments are due back on October 7.

http://housing-information.net/files/2008_state_plan_draft/DRAFT_2008_Homeless_Plan_v6.pdf

Concurrently, additional ICH member and internal CTED reviews and comment are being incorporated into the plan. An updated draft of the cover letter to the plan will be emailed to ICH members for input.

December Meeting Agenda

- Legislative session and budget updates
- Housing inventory project update
- Re-entry Housing Pilot Program draft report (CTED-DOC)

- Homelessness Housing and Assistance Act document recording fee revenue update
- DSHS Internal Housing Work Group update (including work plan and objectives)
- Stakeholder legislative agendas
- Final Ten-Year Homeless Plan – 2009 Update and 2008 Annual Report

Proposed 2009 Meeting Schedule and Plan (3rd Wednesday)

- March 18 – Data exchange, refocus
- May 20 – Legislative wrap-up/supplemental budgets
- September 16 – Homeless Plan
- October 21 – Homeless Plan
- December 16 – Legislative and Budget updates

Agency Updates

- DSHS Secretary, Assistant Secretaries, WFF and Gates Foundation staff met to begin dialogue on a DSHS-Washington Families Fund (WFF) partnership, including a possible MOU.
- The DSHS Research and Data Analysis Division just completed an analysis of the risk and service profiles of parents of homeless families receiving TANF services. Next steps include a DSHS-CTED data share agreement, future analyses using HMIS and DSHS data using the data to inform strategy development and performance measurement between DSHS, CTED and WFF.
- Housing for PACT teams – While CTED intends on working with the DSHS Mental Health Division to focus the next round of HGAP awards on housing for PACT participants, revenue uncertainty may not play out until early next year. (The current revenue trend is below the level to sustain existing Housing Grant Assistance Program commitments.) The 2009 Supportive Housing Institute will emphasize projects that serve households with at least one individual who has met the access to care standard for RSN services such as persons enrolled in PACT services, or individuals or families that are chronically homeless and receiving SSI.
- The Governor’s office is working on the Priorities of Government process.