



Human Services Commission

Meeting Summary

Monday, November 10, 2014, 6:30-8:30 pm

Members Present: Jason Dick, Carolyn Mansfield, Valerie Bays, Steve Daschle, Wendy House, Lynn Fleshman

Staff Present: Brooke Buckingham, Alaric Bien

CDBG Public Hearing, Public Comment: None

September 8 Meeting Summary: Approved

Updates from Commissioners:

- Wendy and Lynn attended the briefing on mental health and substance abuse services at the Bellevue Human Services Commission. The speakers were excellent, and they presented lots of useful information. Interest in hosting similar panels.
 - Mental health and substance abuse services are getting combined more and more. It costs money which many nonprofits don't have.
 - MIDD tax helps, but is not enough. Must be renewed in 2016.
 - ACRS found that 70% of their mental health clients also have diabetes.
- Wendy attended the city's open meetings training, found it interesting and useful.
- Steve announced that Joan Campbell, former ED of Friends of Youth, as passed away.

Updates from Staff:

- The winter shelters are opening on Nov 15.
- Rtrip promotion in October generated \$25K for human services
 - \$1,400 x 7 for bus tickets
 - \$6,000 for men's winter shelter utilities
 - \$9,000 for women's winter shelter (CCS)
- Neighborhood School House may be undergoing some changes due to space and staffing
 - Also looking into possibility of serving Einstein kids at Summerwood complex
- One Night Count will occur on the morning of Jan 23, 2015.

- All commissioners should complete the open meetings training ASAP and send documentation of completion to staff.

Old Business

Debrief Study Session

- Great job all around, good conversation and questions. Nice to have statistics to frame the discussion.
- Next step – Commission will nudge Parks & Human Services Chair to request mayor looking into what it would take to do a levy (pros, cons, mechanisms, different options).
 - Jason will email chair to talk about higher percentage of general fund and/or \$87K before levy discussion.
- Carolyn will meet separately with staff to talk more about her data ideas regarding prevention.

Debrief Funding Process Session

- Great dialogue, but some things may be lost at the end when funding decisions are being made.
- Good process overall but doesn't feel like much is new or different because of lack of new funding.
- There is value in everyone reading every application.
- Work needs to be done between cities regarding proportionality, regional responsibility.
- Transformation plan to integrated social determinants of health and other initiatives like this need to be considered in our funding decisions.

New Business

Strategic Plan Next Steps

- Timeline – done before end of 2015.
- Expectations of commissioners – help guide discussion, suggest others to talk to
- Brainstormed guiding principles, vision, strategies, some work plan items.
- Commission would like to see Kavya's draft.