

S3 Housing Connect Meeting Notes

August 8, 2019

Lee County Government Center- Gordon Wicker Room

Attendees: Sherry Shudra, Tamara Brogan, Rachel Picard, Gabby Murillo, Kendra Martin, Tami Carter, Marcia Johnson, Hamer Carter, Earl Murphy, Lesa Price, Dick Poletti, John Kirkman, Heather Garrity, John Paschal, Chris Kelley, Pam Glover, Betsy Jungkind, Byron Buckels, Christopher Luetzger, Max Dolan, Laura Spivey, Wayne Chew, Holly Marosites, Elizabeth Colebrook, Cindy Hall, Patricia Hawes, Brenda Clegg, Stan Holt, Marshall Downey, Rayvon Walker

Welcome and Introductions, Agenda Review- Sherry Shudra, Chair

Announcements

- a. The nonprofit internship program for high school students will start September 3rd
- b. Cow Patty Bingo - Friday Sept 13, 2019. Buy tickets at <https://S3pickmypatty.wixsite.com/bingo>
- c. 211 (Coordinated Entry for Lee County) – How can we help those accessing 211 with trauma informed care? 211 is now up and running, but we need help ensuring it's working properly.
- d. Welcome back to Rachel Picard

Donation Recognition- Rachel Picard

Patricia Hawes and the Love, Faith and Fellowship Deliverance Center were thanked for their contribution.

Review of S3 Bylaws revisions and vote

Postponed to next meeting because of questions.

Fiscal Sponsorship vs. Nonprofit Status- Stan Holt

The creation of a new nonprofit organization is not as easy as people think. An organization would have to incorporate as a nonprofit, then get tax status from the IRS. A nonprofit would also be a lot more work to run- S3 would need a board, executive director, etc. A fiscal sponsorship is another option. That is when a nonprofit that is already established can sponsor a program or organization. A benefit is that S3 would not be competing for funding or resources like it would if it became a nonprofit. The most important thing when going this route is defining CLEAR agreements and understanding (MOU). United Way does this type of work extremely well in other counties, so it might work well with them here too. Even if we do a fiscal sponsorship now, we could still become a nonprofit down the road when S3 is more established. The benefit of this program to the fiscal sponsor is that organizations like United Way focus on helping and staying relevant in each community, and this work with homelessness is a current primary need in Sanford. The fiscal sponsorship process is long but S3 is in the first steps of figuring it out. S3 is starting to look at local organizations for partnership.

Committee Reports

- Service provision - Met Monday, which was the first day 211 was up and running. Looked at bylaws. 15 people for monthly mental health workshop. Cognitive disorders are the topic for next month- 11:30 - 1 pm, September 4. Salvation Army Job Fair Sept. 25- Hoping to have 75-100 employers at event. We want to have employers who want employees. Expungement opportunities. Next meeting is September 3, 3 pm at Enrichment Center

- Resource Development - Discussed fiscal sponsorship. Talked about marketing materials and Cow Patty Bingo. Working on what to ask for donations for. This committee took one of the goals of data and metrics and are trying to get data from places like the hospital and police.
- Low Barrier Shelter - Updates from shelters. One, two- and five-year plans and seeing what their goals are for the coming year. Oak City Cares tour on August 29 from 1:30-3:30. Talked about the Rapid Rehousing system and how to continue growing the services. 80 people served. 90% left with income and housing at OMI. BOLM opened their doors to 189 people for the hot weather in July.
- Housing - Continuing to look at the housing study and how to move forward.
- Community Engagement - Gearing up to be all over the community for marketing and promotions with Cow Patty Bingo.

Closing Remarks and Adjournment