

Service Provision Meeting Notes

6/2/20 Zoom Call

Attendance: Rachel Picard, Kendra Martin, John Paschal, Stan Holt, John Campbell, Karen Kennedy, Jeff Rawlings, Marcia Johnson, Dr. Hall, Tami Carter (Chair)

1. COVID-19 Updates

- Bread of Life- John Paschal reported that the Day Center is open Monday-Friday for about three hours a day. 15-25 people come daily. Water was leaking out of the shower, but that is fixed now. BOL applied for a few grants recently and received some of them. People from the community have been assisting with feedings every Saturday. They are still only allowing ten people in the building at one time. BOL will probably start opening for summer extreme weather sometime in the next few weeks; Summer hours will probably be 12 PM-6 PM. BOL is also participating in Backpack Buddies again this year.
 - H3- Dr. Hall has been seeing patients every Saturday. There were 19 patient visits in May. Thankfully, there have been no COVID patients. There have been many who need mental health assistance. Could a mental health specialist go to BOL once a month or so? John Campbell will ask if this is a possibility, but his office is currently still working from home.
 - JLHCA- Jeff Rawlings reported that Johnston Lee is still awaiting additional funds. They are focusing on recruiting landlords. Jeff reminded everyone that being approved for Rapid Rehousing does not guarantee a housing unit; Legwork for finding a unit is done by the client, and the client then has to work on the application with a landlord.
 - i. Moratorium has been extended
 - OMI- Marcia Johnson reported that almost all clients have been approved for housing, but they are having trouble finding units. OMI's Board is searching for a new Women's Shelter staff member. There has been no COVID in either of the shelters to date. OMI's first newsletter is coming out soon! The Board is looking for grants, and the virtual fundraiser raised over \$26,000.
 - The Enrichment Center- Tami Carter reported that they will be distributing fans to those who are disabled or 60 and older. Call Tami and leave a message to reserve a fan. The Enrichment Center is still offering drive through lunch pickup or porch food delivery for those who rode COLTS.
2. **211 Information** - Kendra explained that 211 was activated by the governor as a call center during the pandemic. The core 211 staff are being assisted by trained volunteers and new staff to handle COVID-related calls. 211 callers might have a longer wait time on the phone due to the high volumes of calls. Clients can still call 211 for shelter entry. Marcia clarified that OMI is still accepting new people, but they have to be from Lee County.
3. **Housing Update** - Sanford Housing Authority has 200+ vouchers available, but there aren't enough landlords and units.

The next Service Provision meeting will be July 7th, 2020