CE Committee

3/2/23

Attendance: Liz M., Laquita L, Suzie M., Sue R., Rebecca B., Kristen Mortenson, Bianca N., Jen R., Karen Brown, Bill Church, Lina Hall

Data Review

Last year, 2022, reviewed the data and BIPOC, it screens out, creates mistrust, and can be trauma inducing.

* Screens out people who are resourceful.
* Encouraging people to lie and then NOT eligible for Programs
* Targeted outreach by Ally to include lived experience was so valuable.
* Diversion Step has been helpful to get people connected to Housing Stability

2022 more people entered the priority pool. Did having more shelter create more assessments? Not sure, Liz will look and see where people are coming from.

2021 entries and exits to the pool were similar, but 2022 had more access and significantly less exits. The number of housed was similar between 2021 and 2022.

2021 black, multi racial similar trajectory, 2022 had no pattern- need to keep an eye on this.

Rise in need but housing resources stay the same. How do we make this better?

Housing Support

 This program does not have a cap, so how do we expand this program?

Weeding people out because of the questions about GRH on CE, past experience in sober housing with GRH. Reminding them of the new properties, not permanent (you don’t have to stay), you can say no to a program once it is offered- then not refer them to that kind of program again. Would FAQ/cheat sheet about GRH help? Giving them enough information but also allowing choice/opportunities.

$950 not enough for rent.

Lack of knowledge about Housing Support

People with SSI is hard to talk them into program. Housing Support is a good option for those who are eligible and helps increase housing support use. Is there a better way to market this housing source to people on priority pool?

Do we want to keep exploring Housing Support? Or Explore other programs?

SMAC Retreat @LSS in St. Paul April 18th and 25th Space to build connections and dig into issues. There will be a facilitator, should be exciting.