

HSN Meeting 6.16.21

- Welcome - Mike Rood
- Presentation, Local Homeless Study - Leanne Charlesworth and Lindsay Fink
- Project Homeless Connect - Edgar Santa Cruz or Leanne Charlesworth
- County Legislator Welcome and Brief Comments, Linda Hasman
- Civic Center & County Updates - Becky Miglioratti
- Partners Ending Homelessness Update - Connie Sanderson
- Landlord Engagement Update - Ryan McIntosh & Joe Navarra
- Eviction Prevention - Alex Turner
- Discussion: How individuals and families are making it work (Limited beds, COVID, no evictions) -Valerie Douglas
- Announcements - Open to the group

Discussion after Local Homeless Study Presentation:

- Interest in the issue of returning to homelessness, how can we better use HMIS data to determine areas to focus on for intervention.
- Can HMIS drill down more into the data for re-entry from prison and the what programs are working most effectively

Project Homeless Connect:

- Coat drive - there will be community drop-off locations, including Monroe County libraries. Looking for people to flyer their own neighborhoods and collect them.
- In need of XL coats for men.

Civic Center Parking Garage:

- PCHO continues their intensive outreach to the people staying in the garage
- Numbers originally were around 12-13 and now they are seeing approximately 8 individuals
- Most of the individuals are accepting assistance
- Garage security, MC DSS, PCHO, and others are meeting to coordinate services
- The date for final closure is Sept 1st.
- If you are connected to any of the individuals staying there and are not already coordinating with PCHO, please contact them

Runaway and Homeless Youth Advisory Group:

- Becky Miglioratti will be re-starting the RHY Provider Advisory monthly meetings
- If you are interested in joining, please email Becky at rebecca.miglioratti@dfa.state.ny.us

PEH Update:

- Results of survey for priorities
- This survey informs PEH for the upcoming year

Landlord Website Update, Front Door NY:

- A place for landlords to post their properties
- Seeking landlords from the suburbs as well
- There may be hesitancy from Providers to share their connections to landlords that they are currently working with closely
- Looking at programs across the state and nation to see how they are providing landlord engagement
- Looking to bring mediation training and services to landlords
- Making improvements and updates on the website while it is down right now

Eviction Prevention:

- Monthly workgroup
- Almost 50% of our Eviction Prevention funding has been utilized

Discussion about low shelter utilization - how are people making it work right now:

- families and individuals are doubling up
- rent is really high
- not many units available
- concern about shelter beds closing and then the need increasing once the moratorium is ended
- see comments/questions from the chat below
- will continue this conversation at future meetings

Zoom Chat

Chat from Homelessness Study Presentation:

08:46:19 From Jennifer Martinez : What is loss of transportation?

08:46:51 From Beth Levalley : What are the reasons for returning to our county?

08:49:26 From Tom Tarnow : Is there data about the grounds for eviction? I would imagine that a significant number are for non-payment of rent, rather than for other cause, but do you have any data on that?

08:50:03 From jed metzger (he/him) : Would you agree that when the eviction moratorium ends that we would anticipate a big increase in shelter entry?

08:50:06 From Leanne Wood Charlesworth : Becky, do you want to speak to the question above

08:52:51 From Damond Wilson (SCPO) : Is it possible to find out which organizations are receiving referrals for individuals who are recently released from prison? Does HMIS reflect which organizations this population is being sent to?

08:55:29 From Liz : Has there been any follow up of how many of these who returns to shelters who have passed away due to Covid 19.

08:55:37 From Rebecca Miglioratti : Jed, it's really hard to say. The resources for prevention are so plentiful we hope that we don't see an increase. We have been trying to gauge this and it's difficult with so many unknowns.

Chat from Project Homeless Connect Update:

08:59:14 From Leanne Wood Charlesworth

: <https://www.homelessconnectrochester.org/>

09:00:53 From Leanne Wood Charlesworth : Questions about the PHCR coat drive (or offers to help!) should go to:Edgar Santa Cruz (he/him/his)

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Mobile: 585-282-4998

Email: Edgar.SantaCruz@cameronministries.org

09:01:37 From Joshua Sankowski : Yay Project Homeless Connect! Thank you for this great effort!!!

09:01:50 From Leanne Wood Charlesworth : Thank you for your support :)

Chat from the Civic Garage Update:

09:03:00 From Liz : what has happen to the folk that have been there

09:03:12 From lhasman : LindaMHasman@gmail.com; 585-857-3719

09:03:32 From lisakuhmann : I'm here

09:04:59 From Liz : Are these new people every night?

09:07:41 From lisakuhmann : lkuhmann@pcho.org and my cell is 435-6276

09:14:29 From Liz : Can this also be sent out to the list. the information sounds good.

09:16:17 From Debbie Burr : Having Connie's slides/notes sent out would be appreciated as well.

09:16:29 From Tracy Chang (211 LifeLine) : When and where will the recording of this meeting be available? I was jammed up in the office and missed the first presentation.

09:17:22 From Michael Rood : I can send out later today, the slides will also be sent out from the first presentation and Connie sent her slides out already, but I can attach to the recording as well.

09:18:30 From Tracy Chang (211 LifeLine) : Thank you kindly, Michael. That would be great!

Chat from the Front Door NY Website Update:

09:24:46 From Ryan McIntosh : Quick FYI...there is a slight issue with the security certificate for Front Door NY at the moment, but IT should have it resolved today.

09:25:12 From Luann Brink : Joe, When a landlord wants to participate in the program, are you finding that some of the properties need repairs? Do you do an inspection of the properties?
09:28:45 From Joseph Navarra : frontdoorny.org
09:28:54 From Joseph Navarra : jnavarra@ccsi.org

Chat from the shelter utilization/how are people making it work right now/will we see more homeless when eviction moratorium ends Discussion:

09:31:27 From Wendy Dettmer - CFC : largest struggle we are seeing is finding units that are affordable
09:32:05 From jackie gigliotta : I work for Greece central, we are seeing families doubled up in even more crowded circumstances than we have ever seen
09:32:07 From Luann Brink : Housing stock is very low, because of the moratorium
09:32:07 From Liz : Illegal lock outs
09:32:40 From jackie gigliotta : because of remote learning options, families have left the area but kids still able to be in school virtually
09:32:44 From jackie gigliotta : virtually
09:33:26 From jackie gigliotta : we are concerned about that, yes
09:33:33 From Michael Rood to Alex Turner(Privately) : No worries...we moved ahead, are you ok waiting till next month, the meeting has been full.
09:33:45 From Luann Brink : I feel there is going to be a great need for housing and many will not be able to find affordable housing
09:34:15 From Liz : People who fall between the cracks.
09:34:53 From Charlene Jacque-Gray : the rent amounts Landlords are charging are really high
09:35:05 From Liz : ineligible for the programs
09:35:12 From Luann Brink : Hopefully, tenants are seeking rental assistance to avoid eviction, but some landlords would rather have the tenant leave because they are difficult and not following the lease agreement.
09:35:26 From Sarah Weigelt : If tenants/occupants/families are facing evictions (even if it is pending or stayed) or unlawful evictions are occurring and they would like legal representation in an effort to maintain housing, they can call the tenant defense project at (585) 504-6195 or apply online at <https://www.tenantdefense.org/>. It is a collaboration between JustCause, Legal Aid of Rochester, and LawNY.
09:36:33 From Tracy Chang (211 LifeLine) : EPPI process has been difficult for a number of applicants- not seeing responses or getting run around
09:37:58 From Peter W. Peters : So many data informed comments this morning speak to the lack of housing options for the very poor. When will we find a way to launch a political campaign for more housing. Isn't time talk about the need for public funded housing?
09:40:21 From tfernandez : Thank you for all the wonderful information. Have a great day. ~Tino

Notes respectfully submitted by Valerie Douglas