

Auburn Cayuga Task force

Meeting Minutes

September 14th

Present: Renee Jensen, Meadow McDowell, Kim Dunn, Alyssa Magliano, Rhonda Delany, Mary Rathbun, Miranda Eddy, Nicole Gee, April Rowlands, Liz Vuillemot,

1. Announcements

Meeting called to order at 11:05. Introductions were made.

2. HHC Updates

Miranda Eddy shared that they are in the process of finalizing the NOFO application for submission. The Supplemental NOFO local competition applications are due to the HHC email by Friday, September 16th by 5 pm.

The HHC team is still waiting to hear the results of their YHDP application. They are hoping for receipt of the grant to put toward youth-specific housing.

3. CoC Agencies Updates

Chapel House has been doing some re-organization of the agency. The new system has been very effective. There are currently 14 individuals at Men's Shelter; 15 individuals at Roles and 15-20 in hotels. Chapel House's PSH project was renewed by CoC. STEHP Program has a new case manager, David. EHV applications are continuing.

There were no attendees from CAP.

4. Agency Updates

DSS shared that they have 56 hotel rooms utilized. Twenty-three of the shelter beds are filled. No exit updates right now. There was a question on if there is an uptick in individuals coming from evictions? Yes, eviction have ramped up. Tsunami of evictions hit last month. The colder weather will also increase those numbers. Condemned apartment buildings are a huge problem. Grant Hotel re-opened last week with the same management team. The currently housed by DSS: 19 families and 67 individuals.

5. City Updates

City released RFP for ARPA for nonprofit capital improvements. 19 agency requests in \$1 million. Once it goes to council and gets approved, the funded agencies and programs will be released.

CBDG allocation was received. Agencies will be receiving their contracts soon.

The city of Auburn is still seeing an uptick in homeless individuals in downtown. People sleeping in alleyways and in the downtown area.

The city is also offering landlord rehab. Landlords can apply to Homsite for some updates.

6. Street Outreach

Nicole shared they have been receiving about 3-7 calls a day for people who are outside. There are some people who have been helped, some undocumented and sanctioned/burned bridge people. There have been a lot of SPOA applications. The county may need some education about SPOA. Condemned homes have caused 70 individuals and 8 families to exit to homelessness from when she started in September of 2021. She has working with Lydia with Liberty Resources for translation. She is also having to educate the public that housing is also a choice.

Here are the numbers for street outreach: office 315-252-4212 cell 315-237-2675 Her cell number can be given to clients.

7. New Business

There is a new parenting class called circle of security, will be led by Nicole.

Tim visited the food pantry. The food bank received some grants to obtain additional food and supplies. Calvary Food Pantry will be moving in October near Holly Street in a new building, still serving the same individuals.

8. Adjournment

The next meeting will be November 9th @ 11 am. The meeting adjourned at 11:31 am.