

SDHHC
Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)
04/09/2020 Meeting Minutes

Members present

Joseph Tielke, Co-Chair
Sherry Scudder, Co-Chair
Kim Hansen, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Rutten
Alexandra Miller
Jamie Kirsch

Members absent

Lisa Schrader
Mark Kiepke
Anita Deranleau
Melanie Bliss
Montie Barkley

Other attendees (SDHDA)

Davis Schofield
Denise Albertson
Lorraine Polak

The PAC had a quorum available to proceed with our meeting.

Agenda:

- Review of PAC meeting minutes 3/24/2020 – Sherry made the motion to pass. Joseph second. All PAC members were in favor to approve.
- Homeless Summit – CoC elections 2020 – The Homeless Summit for June 2020 is canceled for now. Depending on what happens in the upcoming weeks/months, it may be rescheduled for later in the year. Davis has been in contact with Cedar Shores to let them know.
- SDHHC Document Review Schedule – Davis sent the review schedule out to prepare everyone to start looking these over at their own pace depending on availability. Joseph asked for clarification on when the PAC would be discussing the documents. Please review and if you have input reach out to Davis and we will start discussing in upcoming PAC calls. Jamie asked for clarification regarding CES manual requirements. Davis will be sending out an email to the CES planning committee, as well as the PAC outlining these guidelines.
- SDHMIS Governance Charter – Review began 04/01/2020
- SDCES Policy and Procedures Manual – Review began 04/01/2020

- COVID-19 reports, updates, etc. - Additional ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) funding available; press release went out this week. More information and guidelines to come. SD has been granted \$2.1 million – specialized funds COVID-19 related. If applications aren't received to utilize all funds, another round will be coming out later. There is a short timeframe to get applications submitted. SDHDA is asking that communities come together and attempt to avoid duplication of requests/ideas. This is CDGB funding, not CoC. If you have additional questions or comments on the ESG funding, please reach out to Denise.

COVID screening available in HMIS now. This can be used for anyone in CES and has access to HMIS. For individuals not in CES you can open a COVID workflow. Denise will be sending out instructions.

HUD is granting a number of waivers.

The volume of reports and information in relation to the pandemic can be overwhelming; Davis asked if we feel that we're receiving enough information from SDHDA.

Alex visited about the preparations their community in making in regards to the pandemic increasing in Brown County. United Way has funding to assist.

Jamie reported that they are working with VOA to do a community wide ESG application to set up temporary shelter to house up to 600 homeless individuals. Working with Health and Human Services on their own CES to triage individuals. Camp Rapid working to do medical shelter. Cornerstone not accepting new guests.

Joseph says they are getting a lot of questions; they are primarily working from home. They are applying for ESG funds and their United Way is setting up an emergency fund.

Kim updated that Minnehaha County is paying for motel rooms to quarantine individuals who are ill or being tested for COVID-19. Also, discussed the procedures SEBH is taking as far as installing a ring system to do the CDC questions, medication deliveries to clients, established psychiatric clients doing follow ups via Zoom or phone, MCT doing calls via FaceTime with surrounding Law Enforcement agencies.

Kathy reports that they are holding weekly member calls on Mondays to talk about any issues, such as a client testing positive and how to proceed with that. Their community is in need of masks.

Lorraine updated that federally there is more funding coming. ESG is only for renters, so we are missing that piece for homeowners who need assistance. Looking at Reservations to see what can be done to assist if they have positive COVID cases.

*Next PAC meeting Thursday, May 14th at 11AM CDT.

The PAC vote to adjourn the meeting; all were in favor.