



## Consumer Advisory Council Meeting Summary

June 16, 2010

### Consumer Advisory Council members present:

Ariyetta	Latrice	Nancy
Blue	Margaret	Paul
Jaclyn		

### Members absent:

Anthony
Daniel
Dara

### Community present:

Dommanicei	Matt Levin (UWKC)	Kristine Gullin
Gretchen Bruce	Myneicei	

### Welcome and Introduction.

The meeting was called to order by Latrice and Blue, serving as Co-Chairs, at 6:04pm. The May 19 minutes were reviewed and approved.

### CRE Exchange

Matt Levin with United Way of King County attended the meeting to seek CAC feedback on activities / information that would be good for the Community Resource Exchange will be held September 24<sup>th</sup>. Matt took full notes, and comments included:

- Bus Tickets
- Pet care: food, Veterinary checkups
- Hygiene: Deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, feminine hygiene, dental floss
- Emergency kits: dental floss, bandaids, antibiotic wipes, etc.
- Weather appropriate items: as we enter fall, people need good shoes. Less so hats, mittens, scarves as people already have a lot of those.

Matt will attend the August CAC Meeting for final recommendations.

### Updates on Governing Board, Funders Group, IAC

The IAC Meeting for June was cancelled – nothing to report.

Jaclyn reported that topics discussed at the Governing Board of May 26<sup>th</sup> was much the same as what Bill shared with CAC members at the May meeting – Funders Group Workplans, NOFA priorities and such. Gretchen reviewed a bit more in depth the content and anticipated steps of the workplans:

- **Increasing Collaborations with Mainstream Systems** – Together with representatives of the K-12 education system and DSHS/Child Welfare we've identified a number of ways in which the homeless system and these systems can better support each other. Funders Group agreed to add this as a workplan priority to follow up on these ideas.
- **Coordination with Five Year Plan to End Veterans Homelessness** – There is a federal initiative to end homelessness among veterans in five years. The Veterans system is beginning their planning process, and leaders within the Funders Group / CEH will participate where and as appropriate to ensure our efforts are aligned.
- **Implementation of the full Gates Homeless Families Initiative** – Planning Coordinated Entry System for families is complete. The next phase will be implementation of the full Families Strategic Plan, which focuses on Coordinated Entry, Prevention, Rapid Rehousing, Housing Stabilization, and Linkages with Mainstream Services. The Funders Group agreed to add oversight of implementation of the overall Families Initiative to its workplan.
- **Restructuring Services Funding to Increase Flexibility** – Providers and Funders have identified that while we have made great progress in streamlining our NOFA process, some of the program contracts within the NOFAS have become silos unto themselves. The Funders Group will convene a workgroup to explore how this and other funding flexibility might be able to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of our system.

### Planning for 2010 Focus Groups

The group brainstormed which stakeholder groups they'd like to reach through focus groups in 2010. Kristine will finalize the notes on the list and the CAC will make decisions on which focus groups to hold at the July CAC meeting.

### July CAC Agenda

Final agreement on 2010 Focus Groups, updates from Governing Board, IAC and Funders Group. Meeting will be just one hour, 6-7 pm, as Plymouth Congregational Church will be using the meeting space for their summer workshops.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm. Respectfully submitted, Kristine Gullin, CEH Staff