

Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) Collaborative Committee

Meeting Date: November 12, 2021

Meeting Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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Minutes

1. **Welcome and Introductions** – Becks Heyhoe, TAY Collaborative Committee Chair

2. **TAY Collaborative Committee Charter**

Staff reviewed the updated TAY Collaborative Committee Charter, which details the roles, responsibilities, and authorities of the TAY Collaborative Committee in order to enhance collaboration and recommend best practices for TAY experiencing homelessness in Orange County.

3. **Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP) Follow Up**

Becks Heyhoe and Zulima Lundy provided background on the Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP), an initiative designed to support communities in the development and implementation of a coordinated community approach to preventing and ending youth homelessness. It is the goal of the Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC) to apply for YHDP funds in an upcoming fiscal year. The Office of Care Coordination is very interested in receiving feedback from the youth provider's on the Community Planning and Development Working document which details goals and purpose.

4. **Youth Action Board (YAB)**

a. **Information Session**

Members of the TAY Collaborative Committee provided the following feedback to incorporate into the planning of a potential information session:

- Host the meeting outside of work hours to accommodate schedules
- Have multiple options during the day and in the evening for more flexibility
- Invite a member of the Lived Experience Advisory Committee (LEAC) to share their experience of participating on a similar committee
- Explore successes and best practices from other YABs that have been successful (i.e., San Diego)

b. **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

Members of the TAY Collaborative Committee provided feedback on questions they have received from youth inquiring about the YAB:

- What is the CoC asking of me?
- What does being a member entail?
- Will I be compensated for participating in the YAB?

Zulima Lundy provided information about compensating individuals who participate in the YAB, including some of the limitations that staff are trying to accommodate.

5. Data Overview

Mayra Vargas presented the TAY Dashboard, which contains aggregate data of service delivery to TAY from September – November 1st, 2021. The data primarily reflects activities related to the TAY registry which compiled data from the Coordinated Entry System components, including Individuals, Families and Veterans. The Office of Care Coordination is committed to developing a TAY Dashboard that provides relevant data to address youth homelessness and is open to feedback. The TAY Dashboard will be emailed to the TAY Committee members after the meeting.

6. 2022 Point in Time (PIT Count)

Zulima Lundy provided information about the 2022 Point in Time (PIT Count). The County of Orange will be partnering with community agencies to aid in the planning and execution of the count as it relates to TAY. Youth guides will be included to support accurate mapping of hot spots and engagement with youth experiencing homelessness. Staff will be facilitating a separate meeting to discuss the survey data collection and discuss next steps in partnership with Covenant House California.

7. Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV)

Zulima Lundy provided a brief update on the emergency housing vouchers (EHVs), which are intended to assist individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness; at risk of homelessness; fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; or were recently homeless and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or having high risk of housing instability.

Justine from Stand Up for Kids shared concerns about the lack of referrals, the limited number of youths with ties to the City of Garden Grove and the available supportive services. Staff will be facilitating a separate meeting to discuss how the referrals and application process for EHV's for youth is going.

8. Next Meeting: January 14, 2022 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.