Lee County Continuum of Care (CoC) Governing Board Meeting

September 13th, 2023, 1:00 P.M. Lee County Human and Veteran Services Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Alex Olivares – Catholic Charities

Barbara Short – CareerSource SWFL

Linda Hafner – United Way

Luella Richardson – Veteran Affairs

Joseph Rea- Centerstone

Terryn Baah-Acheamfour (Salvation Army)

Others Present: Therese Everly

PJ Brooks

Lee County Human

And Veteran Services

Staff Present:

Juan Albino

Timothy Gillmore

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I. Call to Order

- a. Welcome and Board Roll Call
 - Timothy Gillmore reviewed the list of attendees. Stated there are not enough Board members for a Quorum.
- b. Members Absent with/without Excuse
 - Michael Overway (Lee County Homeless Coalition) absent without and excuse
 - Marcia Davis (City of Fort Myers Housing Authority) absent without an excuse
 - Erin DallaCosta (Lee County School District) absent without an excuse
 - Arlene Goldberg (Visuality) absent without an excuse
 - Carl Baxter (BCW Consulting) absent without an excuse
 - Dr. Tom Felke (FGCU) absent without an excuse
 - Daniel Kruse (Providence Family Life Center) absent without an excuse
 - Jennifer Nelson (City of Cape Coral) absent without an excuse
 - Sheryl Soukup (Residential Options of Florida ROOF) absent without an excuse
 - Stephanie Ink-Edwards (Community Cooperative) absent without an excuse
 - Amber Hentz Park Royal absent without an excuse
 - Carolyn Johnson Goodwill Industries SWFL absent without an excuse
 - Kim Hustad Human and Veteran Services absent without an excuse

II. Updates with Lee County Human Services

Timothy Gillmore

Timothy discussed the Final Project ranking for COC Application. There are a lot of projects that have only been active for one or two years. HUD needs at least two years of data to determine if funding is successful. Projects that fall into that category are:

- CASL Permanent Supportive Housing
- CASL RTF II Permanent Supportive Housing
- CASL PSH Scattered Site Rental Assistance
- Catholic Charities DV-RRH

The projects available to be evaluated were:

- Southwest Florida Connect SSO-CE (funds coordinated entry)
- CASL Supportive Services
- CASL Rental Assistance

With HUD application, you must arrange the grants you are applying for into a tiered system; with a tier one and tier two. Tier one being more of an assured funding, as tier two may not be approved. After the performance evaluation raking, CASL Rental Assistance did fall into tier two. HUD requires something being in Tier two.

Lue Richardson brought up a concern of CASL Rental Assistance being in tier two, because funding may end and 12 people would lose assistance. There was discussion about IF funding was lost, other funding programs could help.

Outreach is still very active doing outreach events and severe weather outreach.

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Consolidated application is due to HUD on Sept 28th. But must be posted on website on September 26th. The BOCC approved the application, which is a necessary step.

In long term, the application will be worked on to be the best it can be to maximize funding.

Voting with be done virtually since there is not a Quorum.

Timothy Gillmore adjourned meeting.