Three County CoC Ranking and Evaluation Committee Meeting

October 29, 2020

Meeting notes

Present: Brooke, Michele, Dave, Justine, kim, Jon, Keleigh

* Justine - Update about Springside Park – less people than being reported in community discussions, ServiceNet continuing outreach

Presentation of Three County Ranking and Evaluation for current projects, 2021 and if time, outline for YHDP project evaluation.

* Preparation for YHDP and will be scoring differently and has a large CQI expectation
* Have seen some items that need to change
* Separating out what we think will make sense for site monitoring process that will meet expectations of YHDP and what we are seeing in own process

Guide for CoC Project Level Outcomes and Measures

* Identify how much of an area should be weighted in the ranking
* We have updated with the following sections:
  + Length of Stay
  + Income and Employment
  + Project Effectiveness
  + High Needs Populations
  + priority populations
  + Coordinated Entry section (is specific to CE project and perhaps navigator project)
  + Other and Local Criteria (changed some of this)
* Will go through in each section

**Length of Stay Section – how much weight should we give?**

* Episodes of Homeless is Brief
  + Separated out the episodes of homeless is brief from LOT of housing start because episode of homeless is measured in transitional but not PSH
  + Identified which projects should be evaluated with this measure
* Persons are quickly re-housed
  + Sometimes property has leased so can move quickly
  + Sometimes need to find landlord and apartment
* Limited returns to homelessness
  + Measuring exits in projects to homelessness
* Obtain/maintain permanent housing
  + Haven’t changed

**Income and Employment Section – how much weight should we give?**

* Increase Income
  + Decided makes more sense to measure together
* Increased Income Resources
  + Decided makes more sense to

**Project Effectiveness – how much weight should we give?**

* Changes
  + Used monitoring tool to recreate section
  + Can certainly do something differently
* Housing First, Low Barrier
* Eligible Costs and Fiscal Management
* Effective Utilization of Funds
* Written Organizational Policies and Procedures
* Client Identifier- Eligibility Documentation
* Client Identifier- Rent and Occupancy Charges
* Client Identifier- Supportive Services
  + Are they demonstrating needs supportive services?
* Client Identifier- housing units and leases
* Corrective Actions

**High Need Populations**

* Serving marginalized groups/high need group
  + Coming up from HUD, in racial equity workgroups, etc.

**Priority Population**

* Serve Participants with limited income
* Serve persons with co-morbidities
* Serve Chronically Homeless
* Serving Categories 1, 2, and 4

**Coordinated Entry**

* Skip over
* Navigators

**Other and Local Criteria**

* Bed utilization
* Data Quality
* Participation/leadership
* Project annual narrative participation
* CE- filling vacancies from BNL
* CE- CoC Notification of Vacancies
* CE- CoC Attends case conferencing when appropriate

**Questions?**

* How does work? Do site visit, say these are things need to work on? Process they get back to you in certain amount of time?
  + Yes, in form we identified
* Some of this double reporting, they either do it or they don’t
  + Doing data entry throughout the year
  + When you monitor it’s either there or not
* For smaller projects challenging
  + For program and Wayfinders, trying not to re-write things that HUD
* Haven’t totaled anything up
* What is TH?
  + TH 24 month program CoC not PSH

**Scoring and Weighting:**

* Might be easier to work outside of meeting and give points
* Would be helpful if CoC takes to one more step about scoring
* Will be helpful to explain to subrecipients why they got which score and be able to justify
* Can we identify weighting for each section?
* For funding utilization
  + Need to think about what makes sense for new projects- may take time to lease up or hire staff
* For new projects
  + Starting a new project is difficult and takes a lot of time
  + Can’t expect will spend 25% of budget
  + For first year folks, how are we accounting for that?
  + For example, for bed utilization, we have expectation that they will not necessarily fill beds right away
* **Want a sense from group of how high priority we should give to each section so that we can meet expectations**
  + **LOT – high**
  + **Income and Employment – keep numbers low**
  + **Project Effectiveness – middle**
    - **Not convinced with successfully helping people experiencing homelessness**
    - **If come to site monitoring if missing and have later, should give people chance to give people points later**
  + **High needs population – middle**
  + **Priority Population – middle** 
    - **Can be difficult to meet**
    - **May be that don’t have a lot of control so don’t think points should be super high but there should be an incentive**
    - **Give a lot of weight in overall score**
    - **Not at high as first category**
  + **Other and Local – High**

**“new project” planning for possible NOFA release (changes needed for current plan)**

* If NOFA gets released, will tell us how much money CoC has for projects
* Will determine how many projects renewal
* If project chooses not to participate next year, may be additional funds
* Or may be additional funds if bonus project
* \*Keleigh what has historically been used
  + Attachment D YHDP Scoring Tool Final
    - Experience and capacity
    - Successfully operating similar services
    - Data collection/ reporting
    - Fiscal management structure
    - Applicant and sub-recipients
  + Something for us to work from but may need some adjustments