Welcome and Introductions

Steering Committee Motions/Voting Actions

Previous Meeting Minutes

The May 20th Steering Committee Meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve minutes was put forth by Ashley Brody and seconded by Janine Robitaille. All attendees were in favor, none opposed.

Vacancies

John Rogers has retired from Fulton County DSS and Gail Estey will be serving as the new designee for Commissioner Solar.

OTDA Updates

STEHP

OTDA is finishing the review of STEHP applications and will have funding recommendations in the coming weeks. STEHP contracts will start October 1, 2019.

HHAP

HHAP applications are being accepted starting July 10, 2019. Review of applications has begun and will continue for a number of weeks.

ESSHI

The ESSHI RFP is anticipated to be released in the near future.
2019 CoC NOFA

HUD released the 2019 NOFA on July 3, 2019. OTDA presented a PowerPoint regarding the amount of funding NY-525 is eligible to apply for, the types of potential projects and a preliminary estimate of number of persons to be served. NY-525 is able to apply for $417,459 through the CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and CoC Planning categories. The CoC will need to determine who will apply for this funding and how it will be utilized by each region.

Janine Robitaille asked if DSS is able to apply for HUD projects through the NOFA. OTDA replied that local governments are eligible to apply.

Keegan Burke asked if agencies are applying directly for the funding. OTDA replied that agencies will apply through the Collaborative Applicant and the Consolidated Application for project funding. HUD will then determine final awards.

The match requirements for the project(s) were discussed. The match amount is 25% and this is done at the project level. OTDA will work with agencies interested in applying to determine match funding sources.

Sub-Committee Updates

Rank and Review

The Rank and Review Sub-Committee will meet next week to establish policies, procedures, project applications and ranking materials to be submitted to the Steering Committee for approval. The sub-committee will also need to designate reviewers for the project applications. Scott McCumber and Janine Robitaille stated that the other CoC’s they are involved in typically have individuals from non-funded agencies such as public housing authorities or other CoC’s review their applications to remain unbiased, yet knowledgeable about CoC’s in general.

Coordinated Entry and HMIS

The Coordinated Entry and HMIS Sub-Committees met last month via WebEx to view a demonstration from CARES of Coordinated Entry in HMIS. The sub-committees will meet this month to review and finalize the Coordinated Entry policies and procedures for future recommendation to the Steering Committee.

Local Planning Body Reports

Fulton/Montgomery

Amsterdam – Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless is exploring redeveloping an old facility for new supportive housing units.

Gloversville – The community is exploring whether a Code Blue shelter should be established.

CAPTAIN - 10 new supportive housing beds in Saratoga within a larger affordable housing project are being developed.
**Herkimer**
Scott McCumber reported that the faith-based community is looking into creating a warming center for next year’s Code Blue period. Scott also reported that he has been in contact with DePaul in regards to building an affordable housing project in Herkimer for the frail/elderly population and transition age youth.

**Putnam**
Commissioner Piazza reported that Putnam County has reported siting issues for an ESSHI project. Ashley Brody reported that Search For Change applied for STEHP funding and noted that Putnam County has the highest Fair Market Rent (FMR) in the state outside of New York City. People USA is exploring options for a shelter in Putnam County.

**Schoharie**
No updates.

**Future Actions**

**Homeless Services Plans and Outcome Reports**
Plans and outcome reports are being reviewed at OTDA.

**Rapid Rehousing Contracts**
The Rapid Rehousing contract with Catholic Charities has been executed. Putnam County is finalizing budget information for their Rapid Rehousing contract.

**Scheduling Items**

**Next Local Planning Body Meetings:**
Fulton/Montgomery – July 30th
Herkimer – August 15th
Putnam – July 31st
Schoharie – July 17th

**Next Steering Committee Meeting:**
August 1st

**Next Coordinated Entry and HMIS Subcommittee Meeting:**
July 18th

**First Rank and Review Subcommittee Meeting:**
Date and time TBD. OTDA will email sub-committee members to set up a meeting for next week.

Meeting adjourned at 10:57am.