



Lake County Continuum of Care Performance Review Grant Working Group March 19, 2024 - Meeting Notes

Meeting started at 3:30pm

Attendants – Scott Abbott, Doreen Gilmore, Holly Hana, Kara-Faye Ingram, Teresa Kemp, Shannon Kimbell-Auth, Melissa Kopf and Mary Wilson.

Homeless Housing Assistance Prevention (HHAP) Unspent Funds and Round 5

The first agenda item was reviewing the unspent funds for **HHAP Rounds 1-4**. Most of the unspent funds were budgeted to youth projects. After Scott reviewed the funds still available, the Grant Working Group discussed proposals for how the funds could be spent.

For the youth set aside funds, totaling \$285,349.49 in interim housing from both CoC and County HHAP Rounds 1-4, the recommendations follow:

- 1) The majority of the group would like to see the interim funds provide rent stipends, Rapid-Rehousing and the staffing time to provide these services.
 - (a) Motel stays for TAY and families with children.
 - (b) Supportive services such as housing navigation.
- 2) The second idea was creating a transitional type of housing for families with children. This idea was discussed at some length. Everyone liked the idea, but there were some drawbacks, time constraints with some of the funding, the cost of the project and limitations on who could be served.

Additionally, From HHAP-3 and HHAP-4 there are a total of \$360,687.31 in rapid rehousing funds. It was thought these too would be dedicated to high school unaccompanied youth, TAY age youth, and families with children. These would include:

- 1) first and last month rents, utility deposits, and other related move-in expenses
- 2) short-term rental assistance
- 3) supportive services

The Grant Working Group is recommending the Executive Committee begin the process for two separate Request for Proposal for HHAP Youth Set Aside Project focusing on interim housing and Rapid Rehousing for TAY and Families.

The next agenda item was **HHAP Round 5** Recommendations. This funding is still in the application process. The interim shelter money is obligated to Xamitin Haven. The group discussed the need to support the Southshore and is recommending that the Rapid Rehousing be designated for Hope Center, which was already a past recipient of HHAP funds. The County

youth funds of app \$63,000 are recommended to go to Xamitin Haven for TAY stipends and hotel stays.

The Grant Working Group will discuss the HHIP grant funds at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30

Attachment – HHAP Round 1-4 budget allocation.