

Lake County Illinois



Minutes Report - Draft

Friday, May 29, 2015

9:00 AM

2nd floor Conference Room - Central Permit Facility
500 W. Winchester Road, Libertyville, IL 60048

HCDC Advisory and Recommendation Committee –
Homelessness

1. **Roll Call**

The Homeless Assistance Advisory and Recommendation Committee (ARC) meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m.

Guests: Sarah Pinger and David Fries of Catholic Charities

Staff: Jodi Gingiss, Brenda O'Connell and Laura Walley

Present 4 - Commissioner Russell, Commissioner Rosenthal, Commissioner Cunningham and Commissioner Venturi

2. **Approval of Minutes**

2.1 **15-0598**

Approval of Minutes - February 18, 2015

Attachments: [2-18-15 Homeless ARC Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Russell, seconded by Commissioner Cunningham, to approve the February 18, 2015 minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Russell, Commissioner Rosenthal, Commissioner Cunningham and Commissioner Venturi

3. **Public Comment (items not on the agenda)**

There were no public comments.

4. **Old Business**

There was no old business.

5. **New Business**

5.1 **15-0595**

PY2015 Homeless Assistance Application Round Presentation, Deliberations and Allocations - Discussion and Recommendation

- The Homeless Assistance Application Review Committee (ARC) is responsible for making housing-related funding allocation recommendations for the 2015 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding round.
- Recommendations are forwarded for consideration and approval to the Housing & Community Development Commission.

Ms. Brenda O'Connell explained the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) shift during recent years, from shelters to rapid re-housing, which is called Housing First. The Housing First system works to move the homeless quickly into permanent housing rather than moving through the shelter system, thereby stabilizing the household and helping it move toward self-sufficiency. She said that eligible Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) expenditures were costs for emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, homeless prevention and the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Ms. O'Connell next spoke about the agencies that assist Lake County with assessing and assisting homeless persons and then gave an overview of the applications for ESG funds. As it had been determined that an application must score a minimum of 70% in order to be considered for funding, two applicants, Maristella and Most Blessed Trinity, were not recommended for funding. A discussion on the funding recommendations

ensued. Commissioner Cunningham expressed her concern about Most Blessed Trinity not being recommended for funding.

The funding recommendations were as follows:

<i>Catholic Charities Rapid Re-housing</i>	<i>\$70,000</i>
<i>Catholic Charities Homelessness Prevention</i>	<i>\$35,000</i>
<i>A Safe Place</i>	<i>\$23,000</i>
<i>Lake County Haven</i>	<i>\$22,000</i>
<i>PADS Lake County</i>	<i>\$20,000</i>
<i>Prairie State Legal Services</i>	<i>\$13,423</i>
<i>Community Development HMIS ServicePoint</i>	<i>\$20,000</i>

6. Staff Reports

There were no staff reports.

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Venturi, seconded by Commissioner Cunningham, to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Russell, Commissioner Rosenthal, Commissioner Cunningham and Commissioner Venturi