CSAH CEO & Executive Director's report May 2024

CSAH BOD & Interagency Council on Homelessness Board

- ICH Five-year strategic plan work:
- ➢ Provided the following HMIS data reports:
  1. Source data for agencies and programs in HMIS for the annual service counts separated by duplicated and de-duplication data for each project/program.
  2. Bed utilization random sampling data for all Emergency shelter and Transitional Shelter programs/projects in HMIS.
- ICH general membership meeting held April 18th- focus on mental services and referral processes.
- PIT report and press release included on following pages.
- National Alliance to End Homelessness two-day training.
- ➢ 78 attendees from the CoC provider network including local Savannah Police Department homeless liaisons, Chatham County Police Department Homeless liaisons and EMS community health response workers.
- ➢ HUD/Technical Assistance through ICF (Innovation, creativity, foresight) team advanced work for coordinated entry and focus group outcome work shared with NAEH to inform the training sessions.
- ➢ Housing First approaches learning sessions with homeless simulation exercises provided consensus building opportunities and increased understanding.
- ➢ Data analysis and HUD NOFO debrief insights from NAEH facilitators allowing for problem solving sessions offering potential solutions to increase NOFO community scores.
- CoC funding opportunities
- ➢ Federal funding for maternity homes/transitional housing for expectant mothers- Living Vine is applying with grant writing and review support from CSAH Resource Development staff.
- ➢ NOFO competitive process dates have not been released. Debrief with YOY comparisons underway. Rating and Ranking scoring tools under development with added requirements for project applications based on HUD best practices and the housing first approach implemented (with evidence of the Housing First approach implemented).
- Community Information Exchange

- MOU's and contracts executed with Julota. DCA HMIS legal department final approvals completed. CSV files from HMIS are currently being integrated for testing. Biweekly meetings through August for data quality confirmation through integration.

- Familiar Faces
  - Multi agency collaboration case conferencing for unhoused individuals with complex mental health needs, justice involvements and/or high EMS callers.
- CSAH outreach and encampment work
- Provided case management support for people affected by the hotel fire and Red Roof Inn. Worked with United Way staff to secure up to two weeks hotel accommodation for each household. CSAH housing team and Director of Outreach services worked with UM/ Dutchtown staff, UM mental health providers and Housing Authority staff to secure housing for a single parent with 5 children.
- CSAH HMIS Director and outreach staff are facilitating the new client ID project at Emmaus House this morning. Bar codes with scanners hope to provide support for our unhoused citizens in need of vital documents, public benefits, employment and housing while also creating increased efficiency at various agencies for data entry into HMIS.
- Chatham County Mobile Shower facility delivered.
- Housing Updates:
- H.O.M.E. program-4 new single-family homes (3 bedrooms, 2 baths)- master lease project with CHSA – 3 safe, quality, affordable rentals for A.L.I.C.E. families (asset limited income constrained employed- nearly 40% of our regions households) and 1 home designated for Savannah State college students facing homelessness- single room, shared housing- working with the STAR program and Jacquline Awe.
- Cove at Dundee Veterans Tiny House Community- Home Depot, project 300 took place on May 9th – HD invested $300,000 for community improvements, additional greenspace, improved landscaping, murals, outdoor seating, and grill stations, painted 36 veteran homes and 12 of our new cottages in the Dundee Cottage community next door.
- VA onsite physician and clinic is now at the Cove biweekly.
- Working with East Savannah United for the potential purchase of CSAH's Graydon Street property.