

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY FUNDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

Fairfax County Government Center

12000 Government Center Pkwy

Conference Room 9/10

Fairfax, Virginia 22035

Meeting Notes

CCFAC Members Present: Jim Edwards-Hewitt (Chair), Dick Kennedy (Vice-Chair), Pamela Barrett, Michele (Cookie) Hymer-Blitz, Marlene Blum, Judy Farabaugh, Michele Menapace, and Ann Zuvekas.

Inter-Agency Staff Present: Sara Brinkmoeller (DAHS), Michelle Brizzi (DAHS), Tisha Deeghan (DCEX), Tom Fleetwood (HCD), Matthew Graham (HCD), Jenny Hsu (HCD), Dawn Hyman (NCS), Laura Lazo (HCD), Christopher Leonard (NCS), Cathy Muse (DPMM), and Katie Strotman (NCS).

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman J. Edwards-Hewitt called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MAY 8, 2018 MEETING NOTES

The May 8, 2018 meeting notes were approved with motion by M. Blum and second by M. Menapace.

PRESENTATION ON RAD-PBV WAITLIST OPENING

M. Graham distributed copies of "Opening the RAD Project-Based Voucher Waitlist" and presented on the RAD-PBV Waitlist opening from July 10 through July 23, 2018. RAD-PBV is the new name for former Public Housing units and Fairfax County HCD currently owns, maintains and manages 1,060 RAD-PBV units. Unlike tenant-based housing assistance, RAD-PBVs are each tied to a specific housing unit. The upcoming 2-week opening will be limited to approximately 2,000 people, of which are expected to be served within 2 to 3 years. Once the application period ends, a computer-generated, random selection process will determine which applicants will go on the waitlist, ensuring that all have an equal chance of being selected. Individuals and families will be able to apply for free online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The online application should take about 5 minutes to complete and applicants must have an email address. There will also be application sites at several locations with free public access to Internet-ready computers. Sites will have staff available to assist, as needed. Applications will also be provided in six different languages and the public may request reasonable accommodations. Special needs may be identified on applications, but special needs status will not affect the random selection process. However, those with special needs that are placed on the waitlist will be prioritized for special needs units. HCD is working with

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the Office of Public Affairs, as well as partner agencies and non-profits, on a Public Kickoff for the Waitlist opening. M. Graham requested that CCFAC members help distribute the news of the RAD-PBV Waitlist opening.

UPDATE ON THE CCFP WORK GROUP

K. Strotman asked CCFAC members for any final comments or suggestions on the “Consolidated Community Funding Pool Work Group Report” draft that L. Lazo e-mailed last week. The group had no comments or edits. T. Deeghan said the report will be posted on Fairfax County’s website.

T. Deeghan shared that at the BOS Health, Housing and Human Services (HHHS) committee meeting on June 26, 2018, she will present on Planning for Future Cycles of the CCFP, and then M. Blum and M. Menapace will be invited to join her when Board members begin their discussion. T. Deeghan said that her presentation reflects what she heard from BOS members such as: support for the continuation of CCFP, but concern over how core services are funded; adding subject matter expert staff as SAC members; having the SAC decide which programs to fund and have staff decide the funding award amounts; and creating three different buckets/lanes to target CCFP funds.

M. Blum expressed concerns about the viability of multiple SACs, and that some proposed changes to the current CCFP process, if adopted by the BOS, may not be able to be successfully implemented for the FY 2021-2022 cycle. In addition, she shared that some previous CCFP cycles had target percentage ranges for funding priorities but SAC members did not like them.

C. Hymer-Blitz was interested to hear the BOS discussion on June 26, since the CCFP has evolved from when it was first created.

T. Deeghan stated that although it is difficult to predict what direction the BOS HHHS Committee will take, BOS members’ discussion will be informative regarding how to proceed with the CCFP.

J. Farabaugh and A. Zuvekas shared concerns over increasing staff involvement in the SAC and funding decisions. The community voice should not be crowded out.

D. Kennedy pointed out that redesigning the competition may take at least a year or two in some instances, and changes might not be able to be implemented for the FY 2021-2022 cycle. In addition, the integrity of the application scoring process needs to be maintained and tied to the funding award amounts.

C. Leonard and T. Deeghan shared that CCFP funding has increased from \$6.2 million to \$13.1 million and many funded programs are intertwined with Fairfax County’s core services. The \$13.1 million in CCFP funding that undergirds the county’s essential services could cause gaps in services if programs dependent on CCFP funding are defunded. M. Blum

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suggested that getting on the BOS HHHS Committee calendar and gathering BOS member input prior to the BOS' approval of the CCFP funding priorities could help this matter.

ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

The elections of M. Menapace as Chair and M. Blum as Vice-Chair were approved.

CCFAC MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FY 2019

All CCFAC members agreed to hold the next CCFAC meeting on September 11, 2018.

INFORMATION FROM APPOINTING ORGANIZATIONS

M. Blum reported on the growing interest from developers to build retirement communities in the county and HCAB's work with DPZ to add an affordability requirement as part of the county's overhaul of local zoning codes. She also reported on the benefits of a greater partnership with INOVA in response to the opioid crises.

A. Zuvekas reported that Human Services agencies fared well in the FY 2019 Adopted Budget Plan, and the guest speaker at the Alliance for Human Services next meeting will be Virginia state legislator George Barker.

D. Kennedy reminded members to go to e-ffordable.org for the latest FCRHA news.

P. Barrett reported on a recent Department of Justice directive to employers regarding healthcare coverage for those with preexisting conditions.

OTHER BUSINESS

L. Lazo reminded the group that the BOS will consider and approve the FY 2019 Consolidated Plan One-Year Action Plan on June 19, 2018. Once passed, the Plan will be sent to HUD by the end of the month.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Next CCFAC Meeting: Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 7:30 p.m., Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Pkwy, Conference Room 9/10.