CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY FUNDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Online Virtual Meeting

WebEx Event Name: CCFAC 0914 Public Meeting Link: <u>https://bit.ly/CCFACSept2021</u> Toll-free Audio Conference: 1-844-621-3956; enter code: 2334 518 2464 #

MEETING SUMMARY

Call to Order

Chairperson M. Menapace called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and provided premeeting instructions, including emergency procedures for electronic meetings, as authorized by FOIA and the Emergency Ordinance.

Roll Call, in the order as presented:

- Marlene Blum (Vienna, VA)
- Jim Edwards-Hewitt (Fairfax, VA)
- Mike Finkle (Fair Oaks, VA)
- Mary Ann Floto (Washington, DC)
- Michele (Cookie) Hymer-Blitz (Herndon, VA)
- Clayton Medford (Woodbridge, VA)
- Richard (Dick) Kennedy (Reston, VA)
- Michele Menapace (Fairfax, VA)
- Jane Plum (Reston, VA)
- Valerie Sutter (Annandale, VA)
- Brenda Faison (South County, VA)

Chairperson M. Menapace moved that each member's voice be adequately heard by each other member of the committee.

Chairperson M. Menapace moved that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and emergency procedures authorized by FOIA and the Emergency Ordinance, this committee meeting is being conducted electronically online through WebEx.

Inter-agency County staff present on WebEx:

Michelle Brizzi (DPMM); Ramona Carroll (NCS); Keisha Dotson (NCS); Jenny Hsu (DHCD); Andrew Janos (DPMM); Laura Lazo (DHCD); Beverly Moses (DHCD); Cathy Muse (DPMM); Lee Ann Pender (DPMM); Ryan Sherriff (DHCD); Kehinde Walker (DHCD); Lori Wymore-Kirkland (JDRDC)

Approval of May 11, 2021 CCFAC Meeting Summary

On the motion of Chairperson M. Menapace, the committee approved the May 11, 2021, CCFAC Meeting Summary.

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Review of FY 2022 CCFAC Meeting Calendar

J. Hsu provided an overview an update to the CCFAC meeting calendar for FY 2022. In order to accommodate an adequate public notice timeframe for the upcoming CCFAC Public Needs Hearing, CCFAC's October 12, 2021 meeting has been cancelled and a November 9, 2021 meeting has been added to the current calendar. The CCFAC Public Needs Hearing will take place during this new November 9th meeting.

Review of the FY 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

K. Walker and R. Sherriff provided an update on the status of the FY 2021 CAPER. The draft CAPER document is currently undergoing a public comment period, which ends on September 17th. CCFAC members and their constituents are encouraged to provide comments, if needed. The final CAPER must be submitted to HUD within 90 days following the end of the county's fiscal year. CCFAC members provided suggestions to staff that would improve and clarify the draft CAPER. K. Walker requested that all comments/edits be emailed to her to ensure they are incorporated into the final draft.

Review of Consolidated Community Funding Pool (CCFP) FY 2023-2024 Request for Proposals (RFPs)

M. Brizzi and R. Carroll provided an update on the CCFP RFPs, which were published on September 20, 2021. New this year, there will be no paper submissions and all RFP responses will be submitted electronically through the county's Bonfire Portal. Additionally, two pre-proposal conferences have been scheduled for September 27, 2021. The first pre-proposal conference will be at 10 p.m. and will cover the Emergency Food and Housing RFP, and the second conference will be at 1 p.m. and will cover the Non-emergency Services and Programs RFP. Links to attend the pre-proposal conferences were included in the RFP solicitations. J. Hsu will also share these links via email for CCFAC members and staff who would like to attend.

R. Carroll also reported that due to the expansive outreach conducted by staff, volunteers and the Board, there were approximately 56 applications for the Selection Advisory Committee (SAC) for this upcoming RFP award cycle – the most ever received. SAC applications are currently being reviewed and responses to all applicants will be provided by October 21st.

Approval of the Housing and Community Development Needs Public Hearing Advertisement

B. Moses reviewed the draft Housing and Community Development Needs Public Hearing ("Public Needs Hearing") advertisement and highlighted the new Fairfax County One Fairfax Policy language added. Additional comments and recommendations were made by CCFAC members to improve the advertisement, including adding certain

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examples of affordable housing and human service needs and adding language highlighting the fact that the meeting will be virtual. Staff will incorporate CCFAC recommendations into the final advertisement. The committee approved the draft Housing and Community Development Needs Hearing Advertisement, as amended by staff.

Working Advisory Group (WAG) CCFAC Appointments

The following CCFAC members shall serve on the Working Advisory Group:

- 1. Michele Menapace
- 2. Clayton Medford
- 3. Jane Plum

All CCFAC members are welcome to join the WAG meeting, which will occur this upcoming November or December 2021. B. Moses will be in touch with all WAG members to schedule their meeting date and the meeting information will be forward to all interested CCFAC members.

CARES Act/ARPA Updates

K. Dotson provided an update to the group on federal COVID-19 response funding received by Fairfax County, including:

- CARES Basic Needs Supplemental Funding (\$20.3 Million Housing, Utility and Food Assistance) for 6 Months Rental/Utility/Mortgage/Food Assistance
- CARES 2.0 Gap Funding (\$2.0 Million Mortgage and Rental/Utility who don't qualify for ERA)
- CARES Community Development Block Grant CDBG (\$7.9 Million for Rent Assistance) for 3 Months Rental/Utility Assistance
- Emergency Rental Assistance ERA1 (\$34 Million Housing and Utility) for up to 12 Months Rental Arrearages & 3 Months Prospective as allowable
- Emergency Rental Assistance ERA2 (\$35 Million Housing and Utility)
- American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) for:
 - Pivot Grants Business Recovery Grant Program Phase 2
 - Active & Thriving Community Grants Small Business & Nonprofit Organizations - September 21; and
 - Additional ARPA funded Projects under consideration now by County leadership and Management & Budget

Additionally, County funding also included the CCFP's approximately \$5 million awarded for Basic Needs.

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Information from Appointing Organizations

- M. Menapace announced her election to the Chair position of the Human Services Council (HSC). One HCS' focuses will be to increase their engagement with other Boards, Authorities and Commissions, to grow their community knowledge and to better inform their recommendations to the Board.
- M. Blum provided information on the Health Care Advisory Board (HCAB) September 13th meeting, and their discussion regarding the extensive work conducted by both Fairfax County Human Services *and* non-Human Services staff on extremely short notice to fully assist the evacuees arriving from Afghanistan. There has been very little publicity regarding this work and HCAB will be sending a letter to the Board requesting that County staff be recognized and thanked.
- J. Edwards-Hewitt updated members on the Community Action Advisory Board (CAAB) and their interest in reviving their relationship with CCFAC to become more directly involved in the Funding Pool processes.

Other Business

 R. Carroll provided follow-up information regarding \$3.5 million of ARPA funding (separate from the Funding Pool funds) that have been allocated for emergency food assistance. These funds will be made available to nonprofit and faithcommunity providers and the application for this funding will be rolled out by the end of September 2021. J. Hsu will email informational slides to CCFAC members regarding these designated ARPA funds.

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Next CCFAC Meeting: Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. (Virtual)

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