

## TPCH HY Committee Minutes 4/6/2018

8:30-10:00am

GAP Ministries

2861 N. Flowing Wells Rd.

Presiding: Megan Sanes

Agenda Item	Who (Moved & seconded or reported)	Discussion/Motions/Decision(s) (Major discussion points if no decision)	Next steps/Responsible
3/2 minutes draft	1. Jenny Coats 2. Dani Carrillo	<b>Motion</b> to approve minutes. Under Metro, 3 <sup>rd</sup> line should say “of” not “if”. <b>Motion passed</b> unanimously.	Minutes posted to web/CoCA
Update on YHDP	Jason Thorpe	Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project (YHDP) Committee has met 5 times, meets biweekly, has developed a priority strategy, and is developing a narrative. 1 ½ weeks until it’s due. This will be finalized on Monday. Youth Action Committee (YAC) meets weekly, every Thurs. 5:30-7pm, has 8-10 members, and discussed membership and meeting spaces. Homeless Youth (HY) members will ask about meeting spaces. YAC is now overseeing HY. There should be a joint meeting between the two committees. Moving from gift cards to stipends. To build the application, we used 4 data sources, brainstorming about causes, services, positive ends, & life skills. March 16 <sup>th</sup> , YAC surveyed youth attending Free on 4 <sup>th</sup> event.	Project summary, responses from the YAC/YHDP brainstorming sessions, results of the youth survey conducted by the YAC in March, & the YHDP letter of commitment template distributed, attached.
Trauma Informed Care Presentation	Melissa Benjamin	It’s important to identify triggers and safe spaces for traumatized youth. Allow the youth to exist in a space in a way that makes them most comfortable. Be mindful of the youth’s goals and expectations, they need to feel control over their own lives.	
Good of the Order		Dinner at Metro, May 15 <sup>th</sup> , needs a host.	

**Next Meeting: Fri., May 4, 8:30-10:00am, GAP Ministries, 2861 N. Flowing Wells Rd.**

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## FY 2017 YHDP EXEC SUMMARY - TPCH

The YHDP application is progressing smoothly with the contributions of the YHDP Work Group, the Youth Action Committee, and the Homeless Youth Subcommittee. As the application will be subject to an electronic vote in early April, this executive summary has been prepared in hopes of addressing any questions or concerns prior to the final application preparation and circulation to the TPCH Board of Directors for electronic vote.

**PROJECT GEOGRAPHY AND APPLICATION TYPE:** TPCH is submitting an application for the entire CoC as an urban project.

**YHDP LEAD AGENCY:** Per the YHDP Workgroup recommendation (2/23/18) and the Board of Directors vote (2/27/18), Our Family Services will serve as the lead agency on the project and administer planning grant funds in the event that TPCH is selected for participation.

**YHDP TEAM:** Formal team partners include Our Family Services (lead agency, CoC-funded youth provider), Youth On Their Own (Youth Action Committee co-facilitator), Community Partners, Inc. (collaborative application, CoC-funded youth provider), Pima County (government partner, CoC-funded youth provider), SIROW (evaluation and planning partner), AZ Department of Child Safety (PCWA), TPCH Youth Action Committee (YAB), and TPCH Homeless Youth Subcommittee. This list is expected to grow as we reach out to additional partners. YHDP Work Group members not already listed above are also being invited to join the formal team. In addition to the formal team partners, Youth Homeless Subcommittee members, aligned community systems, youth, and others will participate in the planning team.

### **FACTORS LEADING TO YOUTH HOMELESSNESS**

Three approaches are being used to determine factors leading to youth homelessness:

1) HMIS is preparing aggregated VI-SPDAT data on all individuals/families between the ages of 18-24 from Calendar Year 2017 (including TAY-VI-SPDAT data as well as F-VI-SPDAT and VI-SPDAT data in which the assessed person was between the ages of 18-24). Our Family Services is combining that data across the three assessment tools to identify the most prevalent responses.

2) Our Family Services has partnered with ASU to survey and document the histories, experiences, and service needs of 300 youth over the past four years through the annual Youth Experiences Survey. Information learned from this data compilation is being used in the absence of a recent youth needs assessment conducted by the CoC.

3) The Youth Action Committee and the YHDP Work Group separately brainstormed factors that lead to youth homelessness (see attachment titled *Homeless Youth System Perimeters*).

### **INTERVENTIONS THAT THE COMMUNITY WISHES TO PURSUE**

The NOFA requires that applicants describe interventions that are not currently operating in the CoC but that the community wishes to pursue. The Youth Advisory Committee surveyed 49 homeless and at-risk youth at the 3/16/18 Free on Fourth event at Goodwill Metro. Youth were asked about housing preferences, services which they would like to see paired with housing,

and housing service duration. The YHDP Work Group and the Youth Action Committee will be using survey responses and a current housing inventory review to identify potential strategies. Last year's application proposed the following strategies. Based on the recent survey results, it appears likely that many may be included again this year.

1. Youth-Specific Point in Time Count
2. Co-enrollment with other aligned systems (e.g. youth development programs, workforce development, etc)
3. Dedicated low-demand shelter services for youth
4. Host home services for targeted populations (school-enrolled youth, LGBTQ youth, youth with disabilities, etc)
5. Interventions that support educational attainment
6. Training and technical assistance for adult-focused organizations that are now serving youth through coordinated entry

#### **FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

The YHDP NOFA is unique in that while it asks applicants to describe their anticipated 8-month budget to develop a coordinated community plan to prevent and end youth homelessness, as well as the CoC's plan to operate the youth homelessness system during and beyond the YHDP funding period, this description is not a funding request. It summarizes expected costs; however, the planning grant that is submitted by the Lead Agency after the community includes an actual budget which covers a total of 12 months (including part of the 8 month planning period, and subsequent months to operate the system).

The proposed 8-month budget (see attachment titled *8-Month Planning Budget*) includes:

- Our Family staffing, operating, and indirect costs (lead agency, YHDP coordination).
- 1-2 months of self-funded planning activities while the planning grant application is submitted and approved by HUD.
- Non-YHDP commitments anticipated at ~70% of the projected 8-month funding request.
- Anticipated planning grant subcontracts with Youth on Their Own (Youth Action Committee co-facilitation) and UA – SIROW (systems review, planning documentation, performance measure and evaluation planning)
- Youth Action Committee stipends, activity costs, and appreciation
- Funding for formal team members to attend NAEH Conference to End Youth & Family Homelessness, and funding for youth-related training/technical assistance activities within the CoC.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 8-Month Planning Budget, Systems Mapping Worksheet, Homeless Youth Systems Perimeters (brainstorming notes), Homeless Youth Survey (housing questions), YHDP Overview and Planning Activities

## PROJECTED 8-MONTH PLANNING BUDGET

The budget below provides an estimation of the planning costs expected for the first eight months following announcement of selection as an YHDP community. Because the planning grant is submitted after community selection and planning begins, the 8-month budget below includes as match 30-60 days of self-funded planning costs. This is because the 8-month planning period begins the day after the YHDP communities are announced. Only at that point can planning grant applications be prepared and submitted, which HUD expects to award within 30 days of submission.

8 MONTH	YHDP	MATCH	MATCH SOURCE
YHDP Coordinator - 100% for 8 months	31,544	7,279	Our Family Services
YHDP Supervisor - 15% for 8 months	0	7,044	Our Family Services
Associated Costs	3,678	1,995	Our Family Services
YAB Staffing (YOTO)	10,000	2,500	Youth on their Own
Evaluation & Systems Planning (SIROW)	10,000	2,500	SIROW
CoC Training Activities	3,500	1,500	Our Family Services
Youth Stipends & Appreciation	8,000	4,000	Our Family Services / YOTO
Conference Participation	5,595	1,600	Our Family Services
Equipment	1,800	0	
Planning Activities: Pima County	0	16,224	Pima County
Planning Activities: Participant Organizations	0	15,000	TPCH Members (tbd)
Indirect Costs	15,639	4,604	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>89,756</b>	<b>64,246</b>	

It is important to note that there are likely to be major or minor changes to these projections based on multiple factors such as:

- The actual timeframe between selection as a YHDP community and planning grant approval.
- The actual amount of planning grant funds made available by HUD (this is based on a percentage of the community funding allocation and will not be known until the 11 communities are selected).

It is additionally important to know and understand that this does not reflect the full planning grant amount to be requested by the lead agency. The YHDP request here includes only those funds to be used in the first 8-months (6-7 of which funded by HUD), the remaining 5-6 months of the 12-month planning grant will be used to administer and operate the youth system in partnership with the collaborative applicant. A 12-month budget will not be fully developed until the amount of available planning grant funds are known and the YHDP Team can develop a strategy for creating a coordinated community plan to prevent and end youth homelessness.

**YOUTH SYSTEMS MAPPING (NOT EXHAUSTIVE OR FULLY UPDATED)**

<b>SHELTER</b>	<b>SUPPORTIVE HOUSING</b>	<b>FOOD &amp; BASIC NEEDS</b>
Our Family Services Pima County SJEC Salvation Army – Hospitality House Gospel Rescue Mission Sister Jose Women’s Center Primavera Foundation	Our Family Services Pima County SJEC CPSA GAP Ministries A New Hope for Tucson Foundation Old Pueblo Community Services TMM Family Services COPE	Community Food Bank Caridad Community Kitchen Casa Maria OFS (Street Outreach) TPCH (Coordinated Outreach) Stand Up for Kids (Street Outreach) Interfaith Community Services Pima County Action Agency (Rent/Utility)
<b>EDUCATION SUPPORTS</b>	<b>LEA / Schools</b>	<b>Hotlines / Crisis Services</b>
Youth On Their Own UA (Fostering Success) Las Artes GED Literacy Connects Pima County Public Library	Pima County School Superintendent District Mc-V Liaisons  <i>Unique Educational Partners</i> Tucson Preparatory School Pima Vocational HS Teenage Parent HS	Our Family Services – Safe Place National Runaway Safeline (Nat’l Comm. System) Southern AZ Center Against Sexual Assault Hope, Inc. – Warm Line Cenpatico
<b>EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT/SERVICES</b>	<b>SPECIAL POPULATIONS</b>	<b>BEHAVIORAL HEALTH</b>
Pima County SJEC Fred G. Acosta Job Corps Goodwill (METRO & TCC) Pima County One Stop PPEP Tucson Youth Development Tucson Urban League TANF Jobs Program Vocational Rehabilitation	Emerge! (DV) SAAF – TLC4 (LGBTQ) CODAC – Living Out Loud (LGBTQ) UA – ANCHOR (LGBTQ) REC (Re-entry Services) Our Family Services (Human Trafficking) SAATURN (Human Trafficking) City – FUP (Former Foster) AZ Children’s Association (Former Foster)	ANCHOR Project Old Pueblo Community Services (SA) Cenpatico CPI CODAC COPE La Frontera PPP – Sin Puertas (SA)
<b>HEALTH/DENTAL</b>	<b>YOUTH DEVELOPMENT/LEADERSHIP/SOCIAL</b>	<b>OTHER SERVICES</b>
Pima County Health Department El Rio Community Health Centers Planned Parenthood	Boys & Girls Club United Way Youth on the Rise TPCH Youth Action Committee	Southern Arizona Legal Aid (Legal) ALWAYS (Legal)

**LINKED SYSTEMS:** Juvenile & Adult Detention, Child Welfare, General Resource & Referral Linkages, Secondary Education, Post-secondary Education, Workforce Development, Community Action Agencies, TANF/WIC/SNAP, Child Care and Childhood Development, Substance Abuse Treatment, Medical Services, Legal Services, Emergency Services, Disability, Permanent Housing Subsidies, Youth Development, Health Promotions, Advocacy & Social Justice.



## HOMELESS YOUTH SYSTEM PERIMETERS

The YHDP application requires a youth systems map which identifies elements of the community's efforts to prevent and end youth homelessness, and the relationship between those elements. Housing services and interventions are at the heart of the homeless youth system in Pima County and well-documented through existing resources, the Homeless Youth Subcommittee, and HIC data. To identify non-housing areas of the systems map, the YHDP Work Group (primarily comprised of adults representing homeless youth service organizations) and the Youth Action Committee (comprised of homeless youth/young adults) were separately asked to brainstorm three elements:

1. Experiences that lead to youth homelessness and feed into the housing system
2. Systems/services with which the housing system and/or youth connect
3. Positive outcomes as they relate to housing destinations and youth development

Responses from each group are provided side by side in the tables below. Shaded cells indicate responses identified by both groups during the brainstorming sessions.

<b>EXPERIENCES THAT LEAD TO YOUTH HOMELESSNESS (YH)</b>	
<b>YHDP WORK GROUP (PRIMARILY ADULTS)</b>	<b>YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE (YOUNG ADULTS)</b>
Lack of education/under-education	Lack of education
Transportation barriers	Transportation barriers
Limited access to employment	Limited access to employment
Juvenile/Adult Justice Involvement	Legal Issues
Lack of affordable housing	Lack of affordable housing (proximity to work/school)
Unprepared to exit foster care	Unprepared to exit foster care
Substance abuse, addiction	Substance abuse, addiction
Family poverty	Family financial issues
Non-acceptance of LGBTQ youth	Non-acceptance of LGBTQ youth
Hard line refusal of support after age 18	Lack of family support
Pregnancy	Family rejection because of pregnancy
Medical discharge to homelessness	Financial crises
Human trafficking, exploitation	Disabilities
Lack of affordable child care	Health issues
Underdeveloped life skills	Behavioral health, mental illness
Missing documents (vital records, ID)	Insufficient knowledge of available resources
Immigration issues	Negative peer groups
Parental substance abuse	Laziness
Parental mental illness	
Domestic violence / abuse at home	
Parental justice involvement / incarceration	
Absentee parent(s) / neglect	
Faith issues	

<b>CONNECTED SYSTEMS &amp; RESOURCES (NON-HOUSING)</b>	
<b>YHDP WORK GROUP (PRIMARILY ADULTS)</b>	<b>YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE (YOUNG ADULTS)</b>
Education: HS/GED, adult ed., post-secondary, trade	Education
Workforce development	Employment
Community Action Agencies	Community Action Agencies
Child care / child development	Child care services
Family assistance: SNAP, TANF, WIC	Family support services
Mental/behavioral health services	Mental/behavioral health services
Substance abuse treatment	Substance abuse treatment
Medical services	Medical services
Emergency: EMS, hospitals, LEA, crisis services	Fitness and nutrition services
Disability: SSI/SSDI, benefits, support services	Legal systems/services/assistance
Child welfare system	
Justice: jail, probation, prison	
Alternative housing systems: vouchers, ILP, etc.	
Youth development: social, leadership, recreational	
Social justice/advocacy: intersectional issues for HY	

<b>POSITIVE HOUSING DESTINATIONS / PERMANENT HOUSING OPTIONS</b>	
<b>YHDP WORK GROUP (PRIMARILY ADULTS)</b>	<b>YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE (YOUNG ADULTS)</b>
Unsubsidized rental housing (with or without roommate)	Unsubsidized rental housing (with or without roommate)
Permanent supportive housing	Permanent supportive housing
Housing vouchers/subsidies (not time-limited)	Section 8, FUP
College dorms	College dorms or shared college housing
Family reunification	Family reunification
	Home ownership, rent to own, Habitat for Humanity
	Sober living
	Assisted living (behavioral health)

<b>YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES / POSITIVE NON-HOUSING IMPACTS</b>	
<b>YHDP WORK GROUP (PRIMARILY ADULTS)</b>	<b>YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE (YOUNG ADULTS)</b>
Stable employment – upward career trajectory	Employed
Secondary education complete (HS/GED)	Secondary education complete (HS/GED)
Enrolled/completed post-secondary ed. or voc. training	Higher education
Reduced law enforcement/criminal justice involvement	Break the cycle of criminal activity
Reduced use of publicly funded services	Financially stable
Improved behavioral health maintenance	Overcoming depression, behavioral health challenges
	Healthy relationships
	Healthy lifestyle (fitness, nutrition, healthcare)
	Banking skills and positive bank account
	Break the cycle of substance abuse
	Healthy relationships
	Contribute to community



## HOMELESS YOUTH SURVEY – March 16, 2018

On March 16, the Youth Action Committee conducted a survey of 49 homeless and at-risk youth who attended the Free on Fourth event at Goodwill Metro. Youth were asked about demographic information, histories of homelessness, income, education, housing needs, service gaps, and preferred methods of accessing resources. The survey results are still being analyzed; however, the questions related to housing needs are provided here. In each question, youth were encouraged to select all options that applied. The table below includes the total number and percentage of positive responses to each option.

<b>HOUSING QUESTIONS</b>		
<b>What types of housing would you consider living in?</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
Apartment by myself	27	55%
Apartment with a roommate	23	47%
Assistance paying part of my rent for 2+ years	11	22%
Subsidized housing (Section 8, FUP, etc)	5	10%
A small apartment community with other youth	13	27%
Help to live with my family or relatives	11	22%
Group home	9	18%
The home of another family or caring adults	5	10%
Temporary educational housing (e.g. JobCorps)	3	6%
A short-term shelter for youth/young adults	1	2%
No response	3	6%
<b>If you were in a housing program is should have:</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
School on-site or nearby	24	49%
Employment program	28	57%
Behavioral health services/counseling	12	24%
Support for people exiting jail/detention	12	24%
On-site transportation/shuttles	18	37%
Scholarship programs	19	39%
Activities for LGBTQ community	13	27%
Help recovering from drug or alcohol addiction	13	27%
Child care and parenting support	11	22%
<i>Other: religious activities</i>	1	2%
No response	2	4%
<b>How long do you expect the assistance to last?</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
3-6 months	15	31%
6-12 months	0	0%
1-4 years	28	57%
<i>Other Response: until no longer needed</i>	1	2%
No response	5	10%

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Date, 2018

Vanessa Seaney, President/Chief Executive Officer  
Community Partners, Inc.  
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Tucson, Arizona 85701

*Subject: Funding Letter of Commitment, Tucson/Pima Collaboration to End Homelessness Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program*

Dear Ms. Seaney:

I am writing on behalf of **Organization** to confirm our commitment to participate in a broad community initiative focused on preventing and ending youth homelessness.

*Briefly describe your program and provide the approximate number of homeless youth you serve each year.*

**Organization** commits to participating in homeless youth data collection and the development of a Coordinated Community Plan for preventing and ending youth homelessness. Our estimated time commitment over the 8-month planning process based on a 5% full-time equivalent staff person is \$\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ (type of) funding. Our fund commitment is restricted to the in-kind participation of our staff as described above, and will be available beginning August 1, 2018.

Our organization actively participates in the Homeless Youth Subcommittee of Tucson/Pima Collaboration to End Homelessness, and commits to supporting the Youth Action Committee's work to lead this initiative. We would also be glad to share data from our program participant data collection and tracking as part of YHDP needs assessment and planning, or for purposes of service coordination with appropriate participant disclosure and permission.

We look forward to working with the Tucson/Pima Collaboration to End Homelessness to develop a robust community strategy to prevent and end youth homelessness, and strongly urge the US Department of Housing & Urban Development to select Pima County for participation in the FY 2017 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program.

Respectfully,