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Community Services Board Meeting

Minutes

For May 22, 2024

(NO QUORUM)

Call to Order: Pat Fontana called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

Privilege of the Floor: Michelle Monnat informed everyone that CHJC's new Medical Director will be Dr. Jeffrey Aronowitz.

.Director's Report: See attached.

Open Topics: Letter of Support - The ARC is developing a critical program for ages 11-19 (developmental health and disabilities). Chairs will vote on this. This program can be used up to 120 days with a plan for discharge.

Next meeting date: June 26, 2024, at 4 p.m.

Adjournment at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lois Boshane
Secretary

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Community Services Office:

Down one staff member on the EI side.

County/State/ Federal Initiatives:

Crisis- Working with Pat Fralick and FDRHPO to work out details on RFP development for a two-county system. We have had a steering committee meeting, and more are planned. Working through contract logistics between counties. Things are in a bit of a holding pattern while County Admin makes a determination on whether we need to RFP the project management contract or if we can do the contract with FDRHPO as the sole source.

- We are in receipt of approx. \$560K in Regional Abatement Funding designated for 2024. I have received some inquiries from agencies who would like to request some of these funds for various projects. I think it might be best to rethink the earlier determination of using the funds to create two street outreach positions. I welcome all of your thoughts on the matter.
- \$100K Federal salary sharing is being distributed to clinics. One point of clarification is that the funds can only go to agencies licensed under OMH, OASAAS and OPWDD. They can also only go to entities currently contracted with the LGU.

Local Services Plan: You should have received an email from Lois with LSP info.

Local/Community Concerns/Issues:

- County Admin is turning over. New Deputy County Administrator was appointed last night. Bob H is retiring in June. Long time admin secretary retired a couple weeks ago. Things will be in transition for a while.
- We now have 4 Jefferson County residents in restoration services. Soon to be 5. As you may have heard or seen in the news, Jefferson County Legislators voted no to my request for \$940K for restoration services through September. Not sure how this will all shake out.

Suicide Prevention Coalition:

- The Tabling Subcommittee has been attending events on a weekly basis, if not more.
- Will be creating a subcommittee for planning the annual Suicide Prevention Walk. This year's date is for Sunday, September 8th.
- The resource page created by BOCES is up and running. A QR code has been created for easy access. I have cards available.

AOT/ETA:

- AOTs:
 - 19 Active AOTs
 - 1 Pending AOT Hearing
 - 1 open investigation, 0 investigations being conducted by SLPC
 - 1 did successfully step down to ETA, 1 more planned for 2024
 - 14 successful discharges since 2017
- ETAs:
 - 7 active
 - 6 successful discharges since 2018
- Significant Events:
 - Completed this month as a result of noncompliance/decompensation - 0
 - Admissions for AOT/ETA clients as a result of noncompliance/decompensation - 0
 - Violation of Probation or Parole - 1

DA/PD/JCCS MH Collaboration:

- 32 individuals have been identified to date (in reality, many more)
- Unique case discussions

UPDATED - Federal Sharing Dollars Allocation:

CBH:

% of total = 18.43
Dollar Allocation = 18,430.00

TLS:

% of total = 1.69
Dollar Allocation = 1,690.00

CCJC:

% of total = 19.24
Dollar Allocation = 19,240.00

SMC:

% of total = 36.04
Dollar Allocation = 36,040.00

Credo:

% of total = 7.07
Dollar Allocation = 7,070.00

River:

% of total = 17.53
Dollar Allocation = 17,530.00