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From: k.ridenour@healingourheroes.org
Sent: Friday, March 04, 2016 11:52 AM
To: Tim Wilson
Cc: Lewis, Amber [IFA]; Phillips, Donna [AG]; Ben; Jim Rieker; Dan Garrett
Subject: RE: Forwarded Request for CoC Review/Exec Cmte Mtg
Attachments: Exhibit 2HSA - Continuum of Care Review -Patriot Place.docx

Tim,

Patriot Place will provide the community with an 48 unit, veteran specific, low income housing facility. This affordable housing facility will have in-house supportive services and will be located directly behind the VA medical clinic on the Southwest side of Cedar Rapids, a clinic where local veterans receive their medical care. This project will set aside ten (10) percent of the units specifically for homeless prevention. These units will be furnished as well. The homeless units will be integrated within the project which will consist of 1, 2 and 3 Bedroom units. Depending on the person and/or their family size will determine the size of unit for them.

Case management will be administered by Waypoint Services with additional services provided by Healing our Heroes as well as other partners. Seldin Company will be the property manager and will initially screen tenants on the tenant acceptance criteria that has been established for this project, including some variance on criminal records. Once a resident is deemed eligible for the property, the resident will be referred to Waypoint Services. Since Waypoint leads efforts to insure the evolution of Coordinated Entry and Assessment for Linn County, this process is standardized and inclusive to meet the needs of the chronic homeless, veterans, families and others. Coordinated entry provided by Waypoint includes collection of data and assessments through HMIS as well as electronic referrals to the appropriate housing programs based on the Vulnerability Index Service Prioritization Tool (VI-SDAT). Priority will be placed on helping individuals and families move into permanent housing as rapidly as possible and providing the services to maintain housing and other needs. As service plan agreement will be in place with Waypoint and Patriot Place based on IFA Appendix 2HSA.

Donna has explained that we must wait to hear back as to a date/ time to meet with the Executive Committee. Hopefully this will answer any questions you have in the mean time.

Thanks

Kelly

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Subject: Re: Forwarded Request for CoC Review/Exec Cmte Mtg
From: Tim Wilson <tslwilson@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, March 03, 2016 2:35 pm
To: k.ridenour@healingourheroes.org

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Thank you for this information, Kelly. The letters you sent as attachments certainly speak to support for the project but we are most interested in how the project will help address local homelessness. With that in mind, can you provide us with an abstract or brief project description of the planned housing? Whatever you send us should include a description of the total number of units to be created, how many of the units would be for persons experiencing homelessness and the number of bedrooms in each. Any information about admission/screening criteria would also be helpful, as well as agencies or entities you expect to refer potential tenants, whether case management services will be available to the formerly homeless tenants and who (agency, not individuals) would be providing case management.

Thanks,
Tim Wilson

On Thu, Mar 3, 2016 at 2:24 PM, <k.ridenour@healingourheroes.org> wrote:
CoC Review Executive Committee,

On behalf of Patriot Place CR LLC, we hereby request a special meeting for necessary approval of our project. We had received notice by the local CoC that we needed to get approval and therefore, requested to be placed on their agenda February 29th 2016. We attended that meeting and were given the opportunity to present our project before the entire CoC and once we were complete, they informed us that they were unable to approve our request and that we needed to seek your approval at the state level. Since the local CoC informed us via email that they were the approving body, we relied on their information. Unfortunately, upon that reliance, we have missed your deadline. Patriot Place has full support of the community, both City and County, as well as many private organizations and individuals. In light of where we are on this project, we are requesting approval prior to the Iowa Finance Authority application submission date.

We appreciate your understanding of this situation and look forward to you approving our project. Please let us know when you plan to meet and we can be there with any information you may need.

Thank you,

Kelly M. Ridenour
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Subject: Forwarded Request for CoC Review/Exec Cmte Mtg
From: "Lewis, Amber [IFA]" <Amber.Lewis@iowa.gov>
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To: "Phillips, Donna [AG]" <donna.phillips@iowa.gov>, Ben <Ben@cvfriendsofthefamily.org>, "Tim Wilson (tslwilson@gmail.com)" <tslwilson@gmail.com>
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Donna, Ben, and Tim,

I'm passing along a request for a special Executive Committee meeting of the Iowa Council on Homelessness—to take place as soon as possible. The request is from Kelly Ridenour, who is working with a Low Income Housing Tax Credit Homelessness Demonstration Set-Aside project in Cedar Rapids. Kelly called me this morning to inquire how to move forward. The application requires review and approval by the official Continuum of Care (CoC) body that oversees the region—in this case, the Iowa Balance of State CoC. I assume this meeting could likely be fairly brief, and could be done over the phone or in-person.

There was a request at the February Executive Committee meeting about another project for this same program, so you'll be familiar with the general idea of what is needed. The deadline for the application is in March, prior to the next meeting of the full council—thus, the request for the Executive Committee to meet earlier.

I'm cc'ing Kelly here, and I believe Kelly may be in touch to provide further information about the project and the request.

Thank you,



Amber Lewis

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