

## **Housing and Services Workgroup**

### **February 5, 2008**

Present: Bill Hirsh, Nancy Brunn, Ken Stein, Marie Jobling, Jennifer Walsh, Beverly Aabjerg, James Chionsini

DAAS: Bill Haskell

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#### **1. Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFEs): What Did We Learn from the Community Care Licensing Presentation on December 5<sup>th</sup>**

IHSS has restrictions on being in RCFEs. Licensed RCFEs have their own home care services. RCFE residents do not have tenant rights - but they have some resident rights.

On Lok provides services to people who might be eligible for IHSS. On Lok provides the homecare itself. When clients cannot live in the community, they move to a board and care and get homecare services.

RCFEs are not medical facilities. We may want to explore the options for changing the limits of RCFE related to medical and other services. Not taking meds is ground for eviction. Choice and independence are critical issues. How does this relate back to LHH? How does this relate to the Health Commission and its understanding re assisted living on the LHH campus?

QUESTION: What is the status of the LHH Assisted Living Plan? What are the timelines? Marie will check. A model is needed to allow people to stay in their housing regardless of their medical status. The first proposal was quite expensive. The revised plan has lower costs due to a revision of building size and building plan requirements.

Strategy: On LHH campus, have licensed facilities. Off campus, have housing and services.  
Strategy: Get Steve Fields back to find out how people can be cared for in their homes and what services can be provided

At On Lok, some clients do go to a nursing home when their medical conditions prevent them from being cared for at home. On Lok staff still are connected with them and provide services for them even when they are placed out of county. They have a continuity of care from people who have cared for them for years.

QUESTION: What are the barriers for On Lok to take on more in terms of housing and services in San Francisco? Beverly will ask Bob Edmonson these questions.

Younger adults with disabilities are also concerned about integrated housing.

SUGGESTION: It would be good if the MOH could be putting deals together and get providers together that have successful models of housing and services.

SUGGESTION The Housing Impediments Report becomes the city's goal for housing. These new models can be integrated into this report. This grew out of the CHAS. Before the next plan is done, new models should be discussed and recommended for inclusion.

RECOMMENDATION: This housing could be for mixed income.

QUESTION: What are the requirements for Residential Care Facilities for the Chronically Ill. There may be more medical services in this licensure category.

QUESTION: Is it a possibility to create a revenue stream in this housing - with some condos within the development or by requiring the developer to put money into an affordable housing fund. This would be inclusionary housing. However, this is usually set at 60% of median income. There would have to be other subsidies to get the housing down low enough for lower income people with disabilities.

Agnews Developmental Center is developing housing with nonprofit housing developers for people with developmental disabilities moving into the community and with a high degree of medical need. People in the developmental disabilities system have an entitlement and the state pays for these housing and services. These 962 homes are a better option for these people with developmental disabilities.

QUESTION: Should we investigate further that HUD funds are used to renovate existing senior buildings? Could we be investigate this matter and see what success and challenges are being experienced. Look at housing authority developments and programs like ADHC.

New developments and models of existing developments being linked to services should be investigated.

## **2. Housing Subsidies**

No agencies responded to the DAAS RFP for \$200,000 in housing subsidies. DAAS has decided to withdraw these funds from further consideration. Future housing subsidies should be considered.

Marie should ask the DAAS Commission to reinstate the subsidy program. If the RFP does go out again, there should be a strategy meeting to participate in the outreach.

## **3. New Business: Park Merced**

There is a large proposal being put forward to increase by doubling the size of Park Merced. Some investigation should be made into accessibility and services for seniors. A meeting could be arranged with the Supervisor for this district. With Sean Elsbern?

Ken: Find out if anything has come to MOD for city funding. Ken will investigate if plans have been submitted to the BBI.

Nancy: Possibly, the developers should be asked to take subsidies for lower income people.

Bill: Contact Anne Romero about this development.

Professor in Disability Studies: Paul Longmore - how do we make Park Merced more accessible and affordable? We also need space for the provision of services

## **4. Next Meeting**

Tuesday, March 4th, from 3:30 to 5:00 pm