

LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL (LTCCC)

Guiding the development of an integrated network of home, community-based, and institutional long term care services for older adults and adults with disabilities

DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 13th, 2017

TIME: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: 1 SOUTH VAN NESS AVENUE / MARKET
2ND FLOOR, ATRIUM CONFERENCE ROOM

Present: Amie Haltman-Carson, Anne Quaintance, Anne Romero, Bill Hirsh, Cathy Spensley, Dan Kaplan, Eileen Kunz, Jacy Cohen, Jennifer Walsh, Jeremy Wallenberg, Jessica Lehman, Heather Kittel (for Joanna Fraguli), Kelly Dearman, Kelly Hiramoto, Laura Liesem, Marie Jobling, Mark Burns, Marlene Hunn, Margaret Baran, Ramona Davies, Traci Dobronravova, Tom Ryan, Valorie Villela, Shireen McSpadden, Vince Crisostomo

Absent: Abbie Yant, Akiko Takeshita, Austin Ord, Benson Nadell, Bernadette Navarro-Simeon, Cathy Davis, Chip Supanich, Kristen Mazur, Margot Antonetty, Mivic Hirose, Samantha Hogg, Sandy Mori, Patty Clement-Cihak, Victoria Tedder

Guests: Melissa McGee, Megan Elliott, Krista Blyth-Gaeta, Eileen Norman, Allegra Fortunati, Karen Nemsick, Cindy Kauffman, Wolfgang Stowe, Cathy Michalec, Cassandra Chan, Dylen Pollez, Jenna LaPlante, Rani Eversley

DAAS: Valerie Coleman

AGENDA

WELCOME

ROLL CALL, MINUTES & INTRODUCTIONS

- Minutes were approved

UPDATE: Board of Supervisor visit updates

Everyone has left messages and is attempting to coordinate a meeting. Jeremy has a meeting scheduled.

UPDATE: Dignity Fund

Melissa McGee gave an update: the Oversight Advisory Committee (OAC) was holding weekly meetings up to April 3rd, several meetings was discussion on the proposed allocation of the initial \$6million Dignity Funding. The Department of Aging & Adult Services (DAAS) proposed specific funding recommendations. Several weeks discussion, including a debate about including or not including the “cost of doing business” (CODB) – the OAC took a position that it not be included, an estimated 2%. Melissa handed out a proposal (will include with minutes & post online) – one budget proposal that includes the CODB and one that does not include the CODB. Plan has been submitted to Shireen, the Director of DAAS.

Further conversation included: Ramona added that the review was very robust, utilizing a considerable amount of data and research. Margy added that there wasn’t much time to decide but that overall it was a good process.

Recommendations included in minutes.

ACTION: Letter of Support

Anne Romero explained the background on the 250 Laguna Honda Blvd. proposed senior housing developing, which is facing fierce opposition within the Forest Hill neighborhood. Noted that there is no (or hardly any) affordable housing within that neighborhood. The Housing workgroup has been working on this for a couple months – the Mayor’s Office of Housing has received a lot of support (via phone calls) but the opposition is louder and more organized. Opposition includes: not appropriate density wise (proposed to be 5 stories), not obstruct the views, that it’s a “bucolic setting”, fearful of the homeless seniors and/or family members, and development has included existing preschool (which was originally slated to be demolished). Still unclear if the church (that is currently there) will be demolished or remain.

Further discussion about: the possibility for intergenerational programs; process is that the funding is currently being submitted and there will be at least a 2 year process with the Environmental Impact Review (EIR). Kelly mentioned that the neighbors’ original concern around design was a misunderstanding with architect’s presentation.

Motion to edit and send out letter of support.

ACTION: Legislative Update

Valerie Coleman gave a brief legislative update, notes included.

Jessica has added that the tone and momentum behind SB 562 and so if the Republican’s reach their goal (of moving the implementation to the state level), than that will give California an opportunity to do this.

Dan gave an updated on CCI & MOE: gave an overview of current situation, essentially that the state is picking up a larger and larger share of cost due to various agreements with counties. Governor estimated that shift of share of cost exceeded \$600million, due to funding changes at the federal level. Negotiations between counties and states resulted in the development of a statewide authority over the program and that the MOE be increased by \$623million dollars and that the 3% inflation rate. Proposal that the counties borrow from the state and to divert the funding from a sales tax growth, with counties incurring interest for about 7 years and after that, it's estimated that the sales tax growth would be able cover the full cost of the MOE. Counties were very nervous about this proposal, so now there are ongoing discussions between the counties and the state, with a goal of having conversations finished within the next two weeks. Currently it's spring break week in Sacramento schools, meaning that it's quiet in the State Capital.

DISCUSSION: Department of Homelessness & Supportive Housing (DHS)

Jeff Kositsky gave an overview of the department and general information about the homeless population, resources, and impact. Since 2004, have placed 25,000 people in housing; the first LGBT housing shelter. Mayor's purpose in bringing this department was to bring the resources, staffing, and programs from five different departments into one, to increase efficiency and tackle this program more effectively. Currently it's a very program focused process for homeless people, the goal of the department is to revamp that process, which is very fractured, and have it be coordinated entry, which is a system wide strategy for prioritizing housing resources and placements based on clients.

Member questions and comments: Bill noted that from his experience, the homelessness among people with mental health issues has increased tremendously and shared that while the department is focusing on streamlining the process and program, he questioned whether creating efficiencies should be the priority; that ultimately it's a lack of housing options and that nonprofits don't have enough resources. Jeff disagreed, that efficiencies will have a tremendous impact. Victoria shared that she is unable to finding housing or resources, especially for her clients who generally make less than 20% AMI. Margy asked about eviction prevention, which is currently housed with the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development. Jeremy asked about affordable housing pipeline, now there's about 800 units in the pipeline specifically geared towards people. Jeff shared that there's a new senior and family supportive housing come online beginning in 2018, with more single adult supportive housing following that. The financial

challenges of building affordable housing (land value, construction, etc.) are tremendous, so they're looking for alternative placements and solutions, such as looking at housing in the greater Bay Area. Mark asked about the navigation centers – three more are opening in the next month, a temporary one in the mission, a resource center in the works, and shared that the current deficit is about 1,050 shelter beds and about 350 navigation beds. But shelter beds are not the only solution, not everyone wants navigation centers and shelter beds – there won't be a dramatic decrease in total homeless numbers, the solution can't be only building more shelter beds, but rather needs to be rethinking the whole system. Jessica asked how the department is specifically addressing the needs of seniors and adults with disabilities; both groups don't feel safe in typical shelters and there are tremendous impacts on both moving out of their communities both with networks and health outcomes. Jeff responded that they're trying to do rapid re-housing for both seniors and adults with disabilities, but not effective for people whose income is not going to increase over time. They will be prioritized for permanent affordable housing stock, over others. Considering shelters specifically for seniors and adults with disabilities, but they don't have funding for it – even hospitals are asking for this. Wants to re-do the shelter system, but has been getting a lot of pushback when the department proposes any changes. Cathy asked about assessment specifically for seniors and involvement with this group. Jeff mentioned that they have a staff person that focuses on the needs of seniors and adults with disabilities, and another staff member sits on the LTCCC (Margot Antonetty). Shireen mentioned that Jeff is working closely with other departments, including Department of Aging and Adult Services, Department of Public Health, Community Living Fund, etc.

PowerPoint will be included with the minutes & posted online.

DISCUSSION: IHSS Service Continuum in San Francisco

Megan Elliot, Eileen Norman, and Krista Blyth-Gaeta gave an overview of In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS), recent changes, and opportunities for partnerships.

Megan provided an overview, including: DAAS social work staff are in the homes of 22,000 residents and an effective partnership is that the social workers also conduct nutrition surveys, and based on that, provide additional food resources in partnership with Marin Food Bank. The result is that over 500 residents are now receiving additional support and the waiting list demonstrates that this need is still unmet. Also partnering with DAAS Quality Insurance Unit and UCSF to develop a dementia assessment for clients. DAAS, Homebridge, and SF IHSS Public Authority are working together to better provide individualized care for clients, through a

continuum of support rather than the “one size fits all” model that the federal program generally assumes.

Eileen spoke from the perspective of SF IHSS Public Authority: Over 62% of providers work for one family members, and 6% work for friends – so the majority of consumers that come to IHSS already have a worker in mind. SF IHSS Public Authority (SF IHSS PA) comes in when consumers don’t have a provider identified, so SF IHSS PA have a database of independent providers (IP) that are vetted and available to work. Also have a mentorship program, IP Plus, that matches mentors to consumers new to this process to help explain and provide support within this system.

Krista spoke specifically about Homebridge, including: that Homebridge is primarily focused on the contract mode (Homebridge) is designed for consumers who cannot independently direct their IHSS services, along a range of tiers based on their needs. Homebridge acts as the employer on behalf of the consumers and provides additional support, within a range of tiers, to ensure that consumers are able to participate within this program. Partnering with Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation (TNDC) to provide building specific care; every day, 6 providers meet daily to accommodate the needs of clients within one building based on their daily needs. A pilot and if this is successful, will roll out to other buildings; roughly 40-60% of their clients live in city funded housing, which would allow partnerships moving forward. As a connection to previous discussion, DAAS provides IHSS services through shelters and probably more opportunities to collaborate.

Will share PowerPoint in email and online.

DISCUSSION: Possibility of a “Home Care Workgroup”

Mark Burns facilitated a discussion, what type of workgroup would this look like (focusing on homecare services and supports) and how would that work with the IHSS Task Force. Traci mentioned that perhaps we can see if there’s broader interest in homecare support, then they can meet and discuss next steps. Shireen mentioned that staffing is a challenge and unless want to have a group without staffing, would support Jessica’s suggestion of combining existing efforts. Dan mentioned that the key question is the workforce question and what that will look like, recognizing the current trends (crisis). Anne agrees with a broader homecare services group.

UPDATE: LTCCC News & Announcements

Marie mentioned the nomination committee: will be interviewing 6 candidates Monday, May 1st so if members would like to participate, let her know.

The group will also be developing protocols to ensure that the process is strategic and in-line with the larger priorities recently established with the LTCCC and workgroups.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Cathy Spensley handed out flyers for the Digital Inclusion week, sponsored by the SF Public Library (flyers included with minutes).

Jessica and Senior & Disability Action Network mentioned that the Senior Rally day is Monday, May 11th and there is a bus going to Sacramento. Disability Capital Action day is June 13th and SDA will be coordinating buses for that as well (will send flyers).

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 11th, 1-3pm

Location (for all of 2017): 1 S. Van Ness, 2nd floor Atrium conference room