

HSBG 3-18-22

Attendance:

Randie Yeager, Glen Bartlett, Robert Burns, Rocco Cambria, Kacey Crown, Andrea Kepler, Fred Lighty, Marisa McClellan, Beth McAlister, Francis Paige, April Rudick, Darrell Reinford, Todd Singer, Kristin Varner, Jen Wintermyer, Randie Yeager, Heather Quick.

**Human Services Development Fund Randie Yeager**

One of our contracts is in place. We do these once the plan has been approved by the state. That process has been delayed significantly this year. We just received notice today about our retained earnings plan getting approval from last year.

Central PA Food Bank in Northern Dauphin we served 887 individuals to date, they have invoiced 1/3 of their contracted amount.

The van service in Northern Dauphin County with Tri County Community Action has served 8 people on a daily basis and more come. Jen Wintermyer and Randie have had discussion with a business in Northern Dauphin that is looking into utilizing our service to get people to their business to work. We continue to look for volunteer drivers.

**Housing Assistance Programs April Rudick**

**HAP FY 21-22**

Total number of households who exited the program during the first 6 months of FY 21-22 (July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021)

Bridge Housing	Case Management	Rental Assistance	Emergency Shelter	Total
15	82	77	79	253

**ESG-CV 2/2.1 | ESG-CV 1 | ESG 2021 | ESG 2020**

**ESG-CV 2/2.1**

We have requested an extension for our providers till June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. We have also requested a budget revision for CCU to make sure they can fully expend their allocation.

**ESG-CV 1**

We have extended our contracts till June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**ESG 2021**

Finalizing contracts to be signed by Commissioners.

**ESG 2020**

Contracts end May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

### **Emergency Rental Assistance**

As of Friday, March 11th, there were approximately 5,574 people who submitted applications.

New applications were not accepted from February 1 through February 6 while we transitioned to a new software system.

Applications were paused on March 4th, 2022 at 4:30pm.

Total applications awaiting County approval: 28 of which 10 were sent back for corrections

The total amount out the door to date:

\$7,509,159.23 (Federal ERA1) , \$415,828.12 (Federal ERA2) , \$7,924,987.35 (Total Federal)  
\$8,408,441.73 (State ERA1), \$242,365.42 (State ERA2), \$8,650,807.15 (Total State)  
\$16,575,794.50 (Total Federal and State Combined) of which were 2,543 applications

### **CYS-Marisa McClellan**

CPS: 1416 referrals, 1098 families and 2048 children served in 2021

GPS: 5716 referrals, 4036 families, and 7414 children served in 2021.

The amount of youth that were in Agency placement at the end of 2021 was 312 children.

The County Caseworker 3 position created to promote retention of caseworkers. CYS currently has 10 caseworkers in the CW3 position.

The school outreach program started with CD School District.

Children and Family Responder unit began and is getting off the ground.

Family Engagement Initiative with Administrative Office of Pennsylvania to reduce the number of children in placement and increase children in kinship care. Dauphin County increased its kinship placements by 10%. (from 31 to 41 percent by the end of the year).

Challenges:

The Agency has seen an extreme increase in the vacancy rate of staffing. (currently 34 vacancies) and yet the Agency continues to offer best practices and services to families served. The Agency continues to work with the County on addressing the issue of homelessness for families within Dauphin County. This along with increased substance abuse and severe mental health concerns as a result of the pandemic has increased the amount of referrals the County has received.

We also instituted a retention bonus and a sign on bonus for new staff for 2022. There are strings attached and we hope to maintain and retain more staff. Also had a QR code created to apply for employment.

**Drug and Alcohol -Kristin Varner**

Working on staff vacancies.

Served on 33 Student Assistance Teams (SAP) throughout our eleven school districts.

Participated in over 433 SAP Meetings

Received 943 referrals for treatment

Screened over 1130 individuals for treatment

Completed 719 assessments.

Intensive Case Managed 85 individuals.

Had 53 individuals enter into services with our Certified Recovery Specialists.

Coordinated Services for 903 individuals.

Funded 504 individuals for treatment services.

425 individuals were reached through our Warm Handoff for Overdose Survivors

Continued to improve our Warm Handoff for Overdose Survivors. A program which has allowed our office to take and place referrals 24/7. This program has a treatment placement rate of 80-85%.

Saw a decrease in overdose numbers in 2021 (112) compared to 2020 (119).

In the past year, there have been a total of 1,445 sessions of prevention programming completed throughout Dauphin County by our contracted prevention providers.

Distributed Lock Boxes to 375 residents of Dauphin County. These lock boxes are intended to keep prescription drugs safe and secure.

Annual Addictions Conference is May 10-12, 2022

**Andrea Kepler MH/A/DP**

Only one vacancy in Crisis. We have other vacancies in Department and currently are interviewing.

Crisis phone volume from December to March has been hu

918 calls December

794 January

655 February.

266 to date in March.

July the 9-8-8 number will go into effect.

Mobile Outreach very high over 2000, stayed same in January and February and March seems to be easing up a little bit. Age Groups 6-13 years receiving many phones calls, walk-ins and mobile depends.

Hospitalization December. 96, Feb. 124, March 33 to date. We have had practitioner changes in key role on whom is admitted and saw increase in 302 denials.

Working on contracts for current FY and what will be needed into 2023.

### **AAA-Bob Burns**

Staff vacancies. Working on filling them.

In PA there are same number over 60 as there under 18.

Protective Services investigated over 2500 allegations of abuse.

No New Business, NO Comments form Committee No Public Comment.

Meeting was adjourned.