

Minutes

Grants February 20, 2025

Attendance

Ann Gosnell, Patti Brayfield, Reginald Jennings, Leah Woods, Martha Sander, Amanda Stadler, John Gary, Susan Cox, Janelle Williams, Michelle Sumner, Kaitlyn Poepsel,

Call to Order

12:32 PM

President Reginald reported that the NOFO Workgroup continues to review policies and procedures. They are meeting every Friday and we will work with their reports when they have completed their work.

Leah Woods of ICA led the rest of the meeting discussion. She explained the Outcomes Reports so we can understand how they can be used to identify agencies with programs that are struggling and need help and those agencies that are very successful so that we might find out what they are doing to bring about this success. These are the statistics that are provided to the Performance Committee so they might be able to evaluate individual agency performance of funded programs.

Agencies can run these reports at any time except the Return to Homelessness report which can only be run by ICA. This allows agencies to self-evaluate to some degree. ICA would be needed to inform how the statistics compare to others. It is hard for agencies to use just this resource if they have not been informed they are underperforming by comparison. Ann Gosnell noted that many agencies have not identified their own goals so the data is hard to evaluate.

Martha reported that the work group is working to create a Housing First assessment with the help of the consulting group Fortis. We also will be working on a Gaps Analysis to do a better region-to-region comparison of where the dollars are allotted and determine if this is where the most need is. We must ensure that funding is going to where the most resources are needed.

Adjourne 2:32 PM

Submitted by Committee Secretary Patti Brayfield



Minutes

[Membership Committee] [2/19/2025] [11am-12pm] [https://meet.google.com/aco-oaat-qhi?hs=224]

Attendance

Christina Cherry Tammy Bratton April Redman Shamarie Johnson

Call to Order

[11:00am]

Approval of Agenda and Minutes none

Old Business

[Short follow-up discussion regarding Full CoC meeting schedule for 2025, no date/time changes recommended at this time. Brief discussion about including CES training for March 13th meeting and who would present, outcome TBD]

New Business none

Next Meeting [3/1/2025]

Adjourn Motion to adjourn ([Anne]/[Austin]) – Pass

MO BoS CoC Policy and Planning Committee February 11, 2025

Attendance:

- Reginald Jennings, Habitat for Humanity
- Sandy Wilson, ICA
- Leah Woods, ICA
- Sharon Cobb, Ozark Action
- Ann Gosnell, House of Hope
- Michelle Sumner, Dept of Mental Health
- Martha Sander, Council on Families in Crisis

Meeting called to order at 9:05 am.

Policy and Planning worked on the development of three policies:

- CoC Passwords
 - Who has access
 - Where are they kept
 - When are they changed
- Gaps Analysis
 - Set up timeline for completion
 - Who is involved in gaps analysis
 - o What is process
- Board Orientation
 - Who is responsible
 - o What is covered
 - Who helps with training

Jennings made a motion to adjourn at 10:35 am. Gosnell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

MO BoS CoC Policy and Planning Committee January 14, 2025

Attendance:

- Becky Poitras, Metro Lutheran Ministries
- Reginald Jennings, Habitat for Humanity
- Sandy Wilson, ICA
- Leah Woods, ICA
- Sharon Cobb, Ozark Action
- Ann Gosnell, House of Hope
- Martha Sander, Council on Families in Crisis
- Tammie Bratton, FCC
- Michele Felps, FCC
- Angela Webb, Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri

Meeting called to order at 9:05 am.

Discussion that the Person with Lived Experience Policy and AI and Recording policy are ready for board approval.

Discussion about other policies that need to be drafted.

Discussion about the need to review committee and region responsibilities.

Discussed developing protocols for regional meetings.

Worked on work plan.

Jennings made a motion to adjourn at 10:31 am. Sander Seconded. Motion passed unanimo25usly.



Minutes/Agenda Youth Services Committee 2/11/25 10AM

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Attendance

Tim Shockley (P360), Beatrice Stewart (Flourish), Michelle Davidson (P360), Megan Orscheln (Flourish), Joy Owen (P360), Jeff Bryant (IPourLife), Laire Valentine (CPSEMO), Storm Walker (ICA), Jennifer Davis (ICA), Tasha Fisher (Love Columbia) Call to Order

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-?] What is your favorite place in your home?

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections?

Old Business

None

New Business

- Tax Season / Money
 - Identify YYA personal goals with money
 - Set up a budget
 - Set up a savings account
 - Tasha stated that a lot of youth have not had access to money once they get a job, so when do we start budgeting with them?
 - Joy suggested 45 days to give them time to get a regular paycheck and to see what they are willing to spend money on.
 - Tasha asked the question of how to deal with youth not wanting to work.
 - Beatrice stated that if youth are not employed they are required to turn in 4 applications a week. If youth refuse, an action plan may be implemented. Also stated that they use local resources like the Career Center to aid in finding employment.
 - Tim stated that many youth need instant gratification and that they may need an incentive to help get them motivated.
 - Storm said that sometimes youth who have experienced trauma might need some time as a buffer to chill, they need recovery time.



- Laire mentioned taking the time to get YYA evaluated for mental health services, and that the time they are in programs is a good space to try out different career choices.
- Tim suggested to Laire that she brings up the question to the YAB on motivating tactics for youth workers to help YYA find jobs or get services.
- Joy mentioned a visual aid that she has used to show youth the timeline of their services.
- Youth help with taxes.
 - Tim shared this article with the committee to have help in identifying needs for the YYA. <u>https://www.nspnetwork.org/index.php?option=com_dailyplanetblo_g&view=entry&category=tips&id=26:helping-teens-file-their-taxes</u>
 - Storm shared this link from the irs website. <u>https://www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-forqualifying-taxpayers</u>
 - Suggestions were made for TurboTax and the IRS website that make it simpler for YYA
 - Jeff said that IPourLife gets aid from Prosper You and they suggest libraries which have volunteer income tax assistants.

Action Items

• Laire will meet with YAB on what kind of motivating tactics youth workers can utilize to help YYA find jobs or services.

Next Meeting March 11, 10am



Minutes/Agenda Youth Services Committee 1/14/25 10AM

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Attendance

Tim Shockley (P360), Beatrice Stewart (Flourish), Michelle Davidson (P360), Megan Orscheln (Flourish), Joy Owen (P360), Scarlett Loomas (DAEOC), Laire Valentine (CPSEMO), Lola Love (YAB), Alex Inman (FAC), Storm Walker (ICA), Jennifer Davis (ICA), Jolene Hays (FAC), Paris Mendoza (YAB) **Call to Order**

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-?] What is the longest you have stuck to a New Year's Resolution?

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections?

Old Business

- In November YSC discussed ways to promote self-confidence in youth in their job search.
- Also in November YSC discussed ways to counteract the cold months for youth that may not have shelter.

New Business

- Importance of being ready for change/indecisiveness especially in the lives of the youth we work with.
 - Tim shared examples of change/indecisiveness with youth and showed encouragement to YSC that this is something to be expected and how we can help youth navigate through life.
 - Laire shared other ways to encourage youth in their indecisiveness.
 - Lola shared lived experiences of how indecisiveness has played a role in her life, sharing that having someone actually show her how to do things like fill out a resume or apply for a job are things that would help ease anxiety and pressure of getting jobs for youth. Also mentioned having small goals leading up to bigger ones helps give confidence and motivation to achieve the things that youth want to get to.
 - Storm gave thoughts on lived experience as well sharing that they find it encouraging to hear from youth currently experiencing these things.

Action Items



• YSC is still searching for a secretary for this committee and Tim said to reach out to him if there were any interest.

Next Meeting February 11, 10am



Minutes/Agenda Youth Services Committee 11/12/24 10AM

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Attendance

Tim Shockley (P360), Beatrice Stewart (Flourish), Michelle Davidson (P360), Megan Orscheln (Flourish), Tammie Bratton (FCC), Christian Freeman (CPSEMO), Joy Owen (P360), Tasha Fisher (Love Columbia), Adam Ginn (Foster-Adopt Connect), Jeff Bryant (IPourLife) Call to Order

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-?]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections?

Old Business

- Updates on site visits
 - Christian- getting final details laid out for YHDP site visits, looking forward to seeing everyone

New Business

- Ways we can help youth to be more confident in their approach to adulthood and the challenges that come with it
 - Jeff- have conversations with youth about what they have/dont have in their toolbox, IPourLife holds mock interviews with real businesses conducting them and it gives the youth real life practice in an interview setting
 - Christian- practice motivational interviewing to help youth with their confidence
 - Tasha- Love Columbia has a 5 week class on being "good renters", the "Extra Mile Program" that helps youth with finances, a "Growth Mindset" class that helps youth overcome obstacles in their lives.
 - Tim- shared statistics like 8 of 10 youth struggle with their selfconfidence, P360 has youth that are getting help from staff with their finances and they are seeing progress in their spending habits and saving abilities
- Ways to counteract cold months and the homeless youth
 - Adam- hotel/motel YHDP funding is running out and we are having to get creative in how we fight youth homelessness in



the winter, shared that he helped one youth get a membership at a Planet Fitness to have access to 24/7 showers and warmth.

 Tim- another way to be creative is to have youth search for an overnight job so at least they are out of the elements during the night when it is really cold

Action Items

• Committee come up with ways to fight cold months approaching

Next Meeting December 10, 10am



Minutes/Agenda Youth Services Committee 10/8/24 10AM

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Attendance

Tim Shockley(Project 360), Christian Freeman(CPSEMO), Megan Orscheln (Flourish), Joy Owen (P360), Beatrice Stewart (Flourish), Tammie Bratton (FCC), Reginald Jennings, Laire Valentine (CPSEMO), Jeff Bryant (IPourLife), Tasha Fisher (Love Columbia), Storm Walker (ICA), Adam Ginn (Foster-Adopt Connect) Call to Order

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-?]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? - Approve the agenda- Approve

Old Business

- Secretary open for nominations
- Who can vote on committee?
 - The MO BoS CoC Youth Services Committee works to represent the needs of youth and young adults who may interact with the homeless system of care. Through quality data, collaborative efforts, and partnerships within and outside of the CoC, the Youth Services Committee will diligently ensure fair and effective service for youth within the CoC.
 - Not a closed committee, anyone can vote
- Update on-site visits to collaborate with other Coc subs. (Christian/Laire)
 - TA/CPSEMO reviewed few ideas on this
 - Consider tours when future trainings are scheduled
 - Especially if scheduled in Columbia to be able to possibly tour Flourish/Love Columbia
 - Review the budget for any touring
 - Possible virtual touring or video
 - Questions/Comments
 - Open to those ideas (Subs)
 - Site Monitoring
 - Update-
 - CPSEMO is planning meeting with ICA to review HMIS part of the visit



- Planning if no changes to do site visits First week of Dec- all sites on one week- in person, virtual review of policies and financials
- Look out for email on confirmation on this

New Business

- Any unique ways we as a committee can help YYA with their representation with the CoC.
- Adam-
 - Update- on programs- getting referrals and housing youth
 - Hotel/Motel program-
 - The way we were approaching this was not a swe should and we will be making adjusting the program to fit the needs of youth and to ensure this program is able to provide more support
 - "Not a Bandaid", part of the joint component and needs to be pulled for referral first, used more where no Transitional housing is available.
 - If you reach out on referrals- may get a no depending on this- to ensure that we can have these funds for a full year
 - "Not option A, should be option C or so", look for more resources first
 - Be more mindful moving forward
 - Laire-
 - Would be great to recruit no YHDP folks to come to the meeting for a review of resources for our youth
 - $\circ~$ A resource list would be ideal to help assist with this area
 - Plug the IDEA and Youth Services Committees in the case conferencing
 - Tim
 - Can add your partnering agencies in your areas to this meeting to develop our resources
 - Reginald
 - Restructuring the IDEA committee at this time- Tammie is over this committee
 - Tim



- Ideal to work together to ensure we all are confident in our work and share and work together to grow and develop our programs
- Possible other states or agencies we can add to develop resources
- Adam-
 - Crisis Host Home-
 - Not being used alot
 - Pay a support person to allow youth to live with them for up to 90 days
 - Problem is that the youth do not have anyone
 - Point Source Youth training
 - Joy- how does this work
 - Storm/Laire- like Hotel/Motel
 - Adam- they will have navigators for CM
- Laire-
 - Will be sending a newsblast on trainings
 - PYS has alot of great trainings
 - They are a great resource for Subs
 - Shared upcoming trainings
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Action Items

• Plan to visit sites- Subs and collaborate more

Next Meeting November 12, 10am



Minutes/Agenda Youth Services Committee 09/17/24 10AM

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Attendance

Tim Shockley(Project 360), Christian Freeman(CPSEMO), Joy Owen(Project 360), Michelle Davidson(Project 360), Bobbie Schiller(DSS), Storm Walker(ICA), Adam Ginn(FAC), Jeff Bryant(IPourLife), Beatrice Stewart(Flourish), Megan Orscheln(Flourish), Laire Valentine(CPSEMO), Tasha Fisher(Love Columbia), Ciejay Maguire(Synergy)

Call to Order 13

Introductions [Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-?]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? - Approve the agenda-

Old Business

- Leadership
 - Vote on vice chair. Motion, second, approved?
 - Adam Ginn- Michelle- motion, Bobbie/Tasha- second, approved
- Secretary open for nominations
- YHDP site visits review- any comments to share
 - Tim- great to see faces and learned more
 - Laire- do you have a favorite part?
 - Beatrice- nice to give them a tour
 - Tim- second that, were able to show off what we are doing, hear feedback on how to improve or make services better, able to meet some of our youth

New Business

 Life Skills- want help with from committee and youth here on what your life skills program works, how to get youth to participate, and what to do when a youth is not interested in doing life skills



- I Pour Life helps P360 with this
- Elevate Lebanon is another organization that offers life skills
- Jeff- our program (I Pour Life) is the buy in for youth, what does success look like to our youth, it can be info overload at times so go at a pace that works for youth, we create connection points-resources in the community, connecting them to who you know
- Storm- data element, How to define success, in data you can see if they go back to homelessness, that can tell you if the life skills portion is working to a certain degree
- Tim- in our YHDP world- collaborating more, Flourish is similar in our programs and we should visit Flourish and learn how they do certain things and vice versa, went to I Pour Life, Covenant House and others to learn how they do their programming
- Jeff- very individualized on programming- community elements also to our program
- Christian- highlighted the importance of connections and offering a menu of topics to choose from
- Beatrice- Vet united helps and there are topics youth choose from and CM pieces together training schedule based on client choice and also tries for a grant for life skills programming, would also love to collaborate on a visit with other agencies
- Tim- MOCA offers classes and came to our drop in center
- Laire- worked at Flourish- took youth to renaissance festivalaxe throwing, not a budgeting class but turned into planning travel and jobs to pay for the festival also made costumes
- \circ $\,$ Beatrice- youth vote on where to go and activities
- Laire- April 23rd there was a virtual training on life skills- can share with Tim and the committee

Action Items

- Plan to visit sites- Subs and collaborate more
- Clear up structure of Youth Services Committee

Next Meeting September 10, 10am



Minutes/Agenda Youth Services Committee 08/13/24 AM

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Attendance

Tim Shockley(Project 360), Christian Freeman(CPSEMO), Joy Owen(Project 360), Tessa Cook(ICA), Michelle Davidson(Project 360), Lisa Brooks(TA), Leslie Scott(Project 360), James, Bobbie Thomas(DSS), Storm Walker(ICA), Tammie Bratton(FCC), Adam Ginn(FAC), Jeff Bryant(IPourLife), Colten Harrison(Community Partnership), Melissa Stickel(CPSEMO)

Call to Order 15

Introductions [Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-?]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? - Approve the agenda-

Old Business

• Leadership

• Tim(chair) opened meeting by reminding all there was an opening for vice chair and now secretary as well for this committee.

• Meeting Times

 $\circ~$ Tim updated the committee that this committee will be meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 10-11AM.

• YHDP Updates

• Adam(FAC) as navigator has 21 clients at this time and shared that its getting to be more than he can handle. Week 3 of case conferencing took place last Friday and all are saying it is going well and working.



• Lisa(TA) shared that the HUD tech assistance will be on site to all MO Balance of Care members the week of September 9th. She shared there will be an agenda that comes out to show times and such to expect them on site. She shared there will most likely be a third person that they bring to ensure that they make it to all locations.

• Good Samaritan Ranch asked if there were any updates to help aging out kids from the system. He shared that some older youth are hopeless once they lose those benefits at 18 and he was asking about grants such as the YHDP program. Adam, from FAC explained that was what YHDP was designed for and was able to share he could also help with food, clothing and hotel/motel and crisis home as well if needed

• FYI Vouchers

• Bobbie(DSS), shared that there is a Map that shows the coverage of the areas that have the vouchers. She has shared that getting some to sign a MOU has been an ongoing struggle. St. Francis County that covers 11 counties are no longer taking them as they are out and they don't have housing there at this time. She is hoping that will change soon in the meantime other workers have been asking for the FUP vouchers.

 Lisa(TA) asked if we could all benefit from another training/ update on vouchers and is going to plan that training for all members. (*ACTION ITEM)

• HMIS/ICA updates

• Tessa(ICA) shared that all YHDP providers have received emails from her last week on reports that are being run. She shared that those resources are to be used to ensure all entries are being done correctly.

• Transportation Updates

• Tim(chair) shared that MOCA in Richland, MO has paired with New Growth Transit that is volunteer based for transportation. Giving 48 hour notice allows drivers to determine if they want the route and or plan for it. These routes are to and from Dr appointments as well as work can include a trip to the airport if needed.

 $\circ~$ Adam(FAC) shared that United Way helps as well in other Counties with transportation.

 Lisa(TA) shared that it has been seen when there is a need for something like this and Lisa Brooks grants be written to include



transportation. She shared that this is the perfect kind platform (nonprofit) that they usually pass grants for. She offered up to be thinking about how we can come up with additional funding to help with this.

• NEMT was reminded from a training prior this month that is a nonmedical transportation that is available Statewide as well as to and from work. This means they are State mandated to provide that service and can file a complaint if needed if it wasn't provided. Lisa wanted to elevate that feedback.

• Bobbie(DSS) shared that Show me Healthy Kids up to the age 23 years can provide transportation that number is 866-455-2097.

• Youth Employment Opportunities

• Michelle(Project 360) updated on WIOA program and some qualifications on the program as many were familiar with the program it is Statewide as well and offered out of all the DSS offices.

Other programs shared; Workforce-teen, Exel, Skills-up,
 Community Connections program, United we work-Healthy Blue, MO partnership

• Melissa(CPSEMO) shared about the earn while they learn youth build enrollment it is a cohort group for 6 month setting.

• Outreach updates

• Tim(chair) mentioned this is to elevate other parties outside the BOS and bring in organizations to link YHDP YYA to.

 Jeff(IPourLife) shared about their program that is grant funded and not billed to your organization or insurances. They cover the majority of the Southwest Region and meet with kids in-person and hybrid of a 60/40 ratio. They provide life coaching and develop positive relationships, embracing identity, evaluating situations and identifying emotions. They serve At Risk youth ages 16 to 24 years in foster care, judicial systems or living in extreme poverty. There is a nine month curriculum that they go through helping with budgeting, life skills as well as healthy relationships and building Social Capital.

New Business



• YHDP training for FYI vouchers

• Adam (FAC) agreed to be the nominee for Vice Chair and Tim(chair) was willing to wait until next meeting for a vote by the committee to make official.

Next Meeting September 10, 10am



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Attendance

Laire Valentine- YHDP(CPSEMO), Christian Freeman(COC-CPSEMO), Tonya Webb(Hillcrest- RRH Youth), Tim Shockley(Project 360-YHDP), Tessa Cook(ICA), Paris(YAB), Nathaniel-AI, Logan (YAB), Leslie Scott(Project 360-YHDP), Scarlett Loomas(DAEOC), Storm Walker(ICA)

Call to Order

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Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-?]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections?

- Approve the agenda-

Old Business

- Leadership- any nominations for Chair, ViceChair, secretary
 - Chair-(run meeting)- Nomination- Tim- Vote- motion, 2nd- approved
 - Vice Chair-(assist Chair)-
 - Secretary-(notes)- Scarlett- Vote- motion, 2nd,- approved
- Overview
 - <u>https://moboscoc.org/members/committees/youth-services-</u> <u>committee/</u>
- Work Plan- <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/14Ym0NCQAhsu0fB9iphIcDP7iUf-</u> <u>iAY2UZPj21yuWFAM/edit?usp=sharing</u>
- YHDP Updates:
 - YAB met July 1st- HUD TA was present- reviewed YHDP Standards-YAB approved board changes- board has this and will need to be approved by them. YAB approved the CE YHDP standards- now to board to move forward with 90 trail on this process.
 - Project 360- received bikes and bike racks for youth to utilize.
- Research update with Dr. Hsun-Ta and Dr. Tlapek will need to get info from new staff at next meeting. Laire will send the pdfs on information to the youth services committee leadership to share with committee.
 - need assessments we did with librarians and church leaders in rural MO, we just wrapped up the data collection, and should be able to provide a brief report/presentation once the data analysis is done. If you are referring in general reports that may be helpful to services targeting youth



experiencing homelessness, please see the attached reports (it does not focus on youth and is not in MO, but some of the findings and the process of generating information may be relevant)

- FYI Vouchers- Will need to get updates from new staff at next meeting.
- HMIS- ICA updates

New Business

- Next steps
 - Confirm date on meetings
 - Set up meetings(new leadership)
 - Give email list to new leadership

Next Meeting August 13th, 10-11 am



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Attendance

Christian, Kelly Johnson, AI- ED, Jennifer Johnson, Melissa OtterPilot, Tessa Cook, Logan, Tammie Bratton, Emily Dillon, Laire, Megan, Beatrice Stewart, Becca, Leah, Jessica, Lisa, Anthony, Tonya Webb, ED 360,

Call to Order 10:02

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-what are you looking forward to when temperatures are warmer?]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? None

Old Business

- YHDP Updates: Projects starting!
- Research update with Dr. Hsun-Ta and Dr. Tlapek
 - Laire will email and get update for the group
- FYI Vouchers-
 - complication with the implementation of them, Housing Authorities denying them
 - How to address this? Reach out and assess their processes and address any potential issues to address this concern- host a meeting with HA Reps, panel on how it is going well, share stories and have QA- leverage this committee and intentional asks- ask them any HA that are willing to work on their FYI processes
 - Action step- get back to the YHDP Action plan for direction
- HMIS- ICA update- Leah- getting ready to go, getting request for HMIS training for new staff, getting live site ready, data collection form for usage prior to live site, after initial start, we will work more with Yab, Coc, and YS group on goals from CCP.
- Grant-follow-up- Christian will email YS committee update

New Business

- Training- ideas- Document Excel- training bank- ideas on any to add
- YAB updates- workgroup on membership development
- Emily share- utility assistance it not once it is an allotment(800 winter, 600 summer) no shut off once approved



Any agenda items for next meeting-

- Emily- do we have solid resources for youth within these programs outside housing?
- Jessica- housing navigation and other resources within Fosteradopt Connect to assist with resources- (Sammy's Window)
- Lisa- communication out what is Sammy's Window?
 - Develop communication with FosterAdopt Connect on Sammy's Window
 - Share resources with all Subs for YHDP programs- check CCP plan
 - Elevate statewide resources

March Agenda-

HMIS- updates on how are things looking on HMIS Update/Follow-up on FYI vouchers concerns System level goals on CCP for YS Committee- set up meetings to address them What is this group related to YAB or responsibilities related to the YAB? Workplan on this group, discuss purpose of group and roles

Next Meeting 3/19/24 at 10 AM



MinutesYouth Services Committee01/16/24 10 AMr jjyAttlgjAtt 40;2 gv2r k

Attendance

Staff - Faith Sharp, <u>Christian Freeman</u>, Laire Valentine, Sterling Waldman Committee Members - Paris Mendoza (YAB), Jesse Freemen (YAB), Lola Love (YAB), Charline Johns (Columbia PHA), Tammie Bratton (FCC), <u>Darius Johnson</u> (YAB), Patti Brayfield (P360), Bobbie Thomas-Schiller (CD), Chase Brown (YAB), Michele Felps (FCC), Travis (YAB), Xiah (YAB) AI - Nathaniel Fireflies

Call to Order

10:05

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day-what song are you listening to on repeat right now?]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? None

Old Business

- YHDP Updates: Projects starting!
- Research update with Dr. Hsun-Ta and Dr. Tlapek
 - Needs Assessment

• QM

- QM Status
 - About 1 inquiry a week. Need to schedule sessions
- FYI Vouchers
 - Last updates were about:Getting CE assessors more knowledgeable about FYI as an option - Sterling still needs to talk to Lynn more
 - Any new updates?
 - Columbia housing authority had gotten some ported but not directly issuing any due to lack of capacity
 - St. Francis (covering 11 counties) saying they can't provide more housing vouchers - Bobbie has reached out to HUD
- HMIS

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New Business

- Training with Faith!
 - Limiting Barriers For Youth Employment



- Taking a whole person approach to the hiring process.
- Take a critical examination of the systems that are a part of your hiring and working process.
- A lot of this work can be re traumatizing
- Having opportunities for people to utilize coping tools
- Growing and grieving
- The human connection piece
- Allowing young people to show up as their authentic selves
- Make sure to note lived experience is the priority. Remove education barriers.
- Treating young people like assets and not liabilities.
- Throwing our definitons of professionalism out the window.
- Reducing power imbalances.
- Clearly defining job expectations, before, during, and after tasks
- -over communicated and over explain
- Repeat changes in job roles can be traumatizing
- Posting job listing in job centers, libraries, Internet cafes, coffee shops, places where youth are not expecting youth coming to you. Removing barriers and helping youth get access to technology/ reliable internet.
- Can youth see themselves in these positions.
- Provide transparency, inform youth about sustainability,
- Creating a space where young people feel they can come to you,
- Give raises without youth having to ask
- Teach what you wish you were taught!
- Explain the why and the how
- Being aware of when professionalism is going to be enforced, but not requiring conformity
- Training for all ability types and listening
- Reframe to focus on strengths
- Writing grants with equitable pay from the beginning
- Closing loops, and constantly be made aware of the timeline, and the life plan that they are on
- Ensuring there's a grievance policy is in place
- Involving young people in the grant writing process and showing young people the budget
- HOMELESSNESS SHELTER: rethink your rules to serve more people
- Punishment Is Not Accountability Article

Next Meeting 2/20/24 at 10 AM



MinutesYouth Services Committee12/19/23 10 AMr jjyalttlgjatr 40;2x | gv@pr k

Attendance

Staff - Christian, Sterling, Faith, Leah, Laire Committee Members - Charline Johns (CHA), AJ (YAB), Lola (YAB), Darius (YAB), Logan (YAB), Paris (YAB) AI - Faith

Call to Order 10:05

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? No changes

Old Business

- YHDP Updates
 - Awards have been finalized
 - Next steps: Projects starting!
 - Signing contracts soon
- Research update with Dr. Hsun-Ta and Dr. Tlapek
 - Needs Assessment
 - QM
 - Policy paper coming out soon!
- QM Status
 - \circ About 1 inquiry a week. Need to schedule sessions
- FYI Vouchers
 - Last updates were about:Getting CE assessors more knowledgeable about FYI as an option - Sterling still needs to talk to Lynn
 - Any new updates?
 - Columbia housing authority had gotten some ported but not directly issuing any due to lack of capacity
- HMIS
 - Working on getting projects set up (prioritized by starting timeline)
 - Updates on **youth sub-assessment**? (Tonya was interested)
 - Tabled for revisiting CE as a whole NAEH grant plus applying for YHSI



• Additional Data Elements: **Recommended Additional Data Collection**

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	R2	RHY: BCP Status	
	R3	Sexual Orientation	X (Required for all YHDP)
	R4	Last Grade Completed	
	R5	School Status	*
	R6	Employment Status	
	R7	General Health Status	x
	R8	Dental Health Status	x
	R9	Mental Health Status	х
	R10	Pregnancy Status	x
	R11	Formerly a Ward of Child Welfare/Foster Care Agency	х
	R12	Formerly a Ward of Juvenile Justice System	x
	R13	Family Critical Issues	
	R14	RHY Service Connections	
	R15	Commercial Sexual Exploitation/Sex Trafficking	
	R16	Labor Trafficking	
	R17	Project Completion Status	x
	R18	Counseling	
	R19	Safe and Appropriate Exit	x
	R20	Aftercare Plans	
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Dental Health Status	£ Excellent	£ Very Good	⊖ £ Good	£ Fair	£ Poor
	£ Client doesn't know	£ Client prefers not to answer			
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0	£ Client doesn't know	£ Client prefers not to answer			

Pregnancy Status £ No £ Yes £ Client doesn't know £ Client prefers not to

answer



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years year		,	,		
If less than one year, number of months					
• Juvenile Justic					
Formerly a Ward of £ No Juvenile Justice System	£ Yes	£ Client doesn't know	£ Client prefers not to answer		
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Client has permanent positive peer connections outside of project	£No £Yes	£ Worker does not k	now		
Client has permanent positive community connections outside of project	£No £Yes	£ Worker does not k	now		
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Project Completion Status £ Completed project					



£ Client voluntarily left early

£ Client was expelled or otherwise involuntarily discharged from project

 If "client was expelled or otherwise involuntarily
 £ Criminal activity/destruction of discharged from project"

 select the major reason
 £ Non-compliance with project rules

£ Criminal activity/destruction of property/violence £ Non-compliance with project rules £ Non-payment of rent/occupancy charge £ Reached maximum time allowed by project £ Project terminated £ Unknown/disappeared

YSC Leadership

• Does anyone want to take on the chair position?

- **New Business**
 - None

Next Meeting 1/16/24 at 10 AM

Adjourned 10:40 AM



Minutes Youth Services Committee 11/21/23 10 AM

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Attendance

Christian, Sterling, Faith, Jesse F (Riegert), Paris, Sterling, Charline Johns, Darius, Laire, Sarah Tlapek, Leah, Tonya Webb

Call to Order 10:05

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day] Favorite Holiday Side

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? No changes

Old Business

- YHDP Updates
 - Awards have been accepted and are in the process of second-round awards for projects that were not applied for.
 - Funds still available for Crisis Response Outreach, Transitional Housing, and Rapid Rehousing
 - Next steps: Projects starting!
 - Signing contracts soon
- Research update with Dr. Hsun-Ta and Dr. Tlapek
 - Needs Assessment
 - Team continuing interviews with librarians
 - QM
 - Got feedback on the training and tool!
 - No significant difference in HMIS
 - Looking at how information and tool is shared and how to best share them
- QM Status
 - Policy paper in the works
- FYI Vouchers
 - Last updates were about:Getting CE assessors more knowledgeable about FYI as an option Sterling still needs to talk to Lynn
 - Any new updates?
 - Columbia housing authority had gotten some ported but not directly issuing any due to lack of capacity
- HMIS



- Working on getting projects set up (prioritized by starting timeline)
- A couple YHDP new agencies
- Updates on youth sub-assessment? (Tonya was interested)
 Tabled for revisiting CE as a whole
- Additional Data Elements: on the back burner for now, just working on making sure we have the basics in place for project launches
- YSC Leadership
 - Does anyone want to take on the chair position?

New Business

- https://www.pointsourceyouth.org/national-symposium-2023-media-library/traumainformed-care-for-youth-who-use-substances
 - 10 mins 20 mins with discussion

Next Meeting

12/19/23 at 10 AM



Minutes Youth Services Committee 10/17/23 10 AM

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Attendance

Sterling Waldman, Christian Freeman, Bonnie Pickel, Laire Valentine, Colten Harrison, Paris Smith, Rebecca Clemons, Faith Sharp, Hsun-Ta Hsu, Lisa Brooks, Logan Trammel

Call to Order

10:05 AM

Introductions

[Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day] Favorite Halloween Activity?

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? No changes

Old Business

- YHDP Updates
 - RFP is out! Getting lots of great questions. Looking forward to getting applications in and have recommendations during the first week of November
 - Next steps: Projects starting!
 - Preparing providers: many providers haven't been deeply involved. Making sure we're moving at an appropriate speed, getting buy in, centering equity principles, supporting providers in this process. We need experts to help us think through training and onboarding (as well as long-term)!
 - Goal that providers are serving youth soon after receiving funds (first 90 days) - scaling up quickly and how that requires scaffolding
 - Intensive onboarding training (TIC, PYD, Housing First, Equity, Harm Reduction) - what needs to be delivered in person vs online, what can young people (YAB members) be leading/involved in
 - What trainings do you all like/use?
 - All providers come together quarterly for group training and learning, CQI, reflecting, etc
 - Annual data and site monitoring
 - Colten interested. Laire has experience in trainings.
 - Colten recommendation for financial skills assessment for youth



- Faith recommended pre-screening to see who needs what trainings
 - Level setting trainings and then more individualized trainings
- Research with Dr. Hsun-Ta and Dr. Tlapek
 - Needs Assessment
 - "We are wrapping up the need assessment by the end of October and will provide preliminary results in November."
 - QM
 - "For the QM project, we now have access to HMIS data and will be conducting more interviews with stakeholders on the dissemination effort of the QM tool"
- QM Status
 - \circ $\;$ Would like to find a legal translator for the QMVF
- FYI Vouchers
 - Last updates were about: Columbia Housing Authority, Liberty Housing Authority, Lafayette, Jasper County
 - Any new updates?
 - Getting CE assessors more knowledgeable about FYI as an option -Sterling still needs to talk to Lynn
- HMIS
 - Updates on **youth sub-assessment**? (Tonya was interested)
 - Visibility Considerations
 - Updated the HMIS Agency Partner Agreement [APA]. Our HMIS Privacy and Security Notice already allows for the sharing of data to provide or coordinate services to an individual, even without a signed Release of Information.
 - $\circ~$ YAB discussed having normal "reality check" threshold for youth signing their own ROIs
 - Questions like the Folstein Mini Mental Examination
 - What is the date, where are you, what is this [with like a pen or a watch]
- Additional Data Elements: on the back burner for now, just working on making sure we have the basics in place for project launches

New Business

- When is the next legislative working group meeting?
- YSC Leadership
 - Does anyone want to take on the chair position?
- Missouri Interagency Council on Homelessness (MICH) annual meeting in Jeff City Nov 6th (limited virtual participation available)





Next Meeting

11/21/23 at 10 AM



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Attendance

Tonya Webb, <u>Scarlett Loomas</u>, Michele Felps, Sterling Waldman, Leah Woods, Logan Trammel, Christian Freeman, Sarah Tlapek, Bobbie Thomas Schiller, Melia Neal, Paris Smith, Faith Sharp

Call to Order

10:05 AM

Introductions [Name, Pronouns, Organization, Position, Question of the Day]

Approval of Agenda

Comments, changes, or corrections? Motion to approve Agenda ([moved] / [second]) – Pass/ Fail

Old Business

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 - Needs Assessment
 - Now being expanded to include local church leaders (not just librarians)!
 - ∘ QM
 - No updates. Hopefully, presentation of findings forthcoming
- OM Status
- FYI Vouchers
 - Kim Stevenson met with Columbia Housing Authority
 - Bobbie met with Clay county (Liberty Housing Authority), excited to sign MOU!
 - No updates on MOU with Lafayette
 - Jasper County MOU in the works
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 - At the retreat, we covered equity topics including privilege, intersectionality, and targeted universalism.
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New Business



HMIS with Leah Woods

- Slides <u>YHDP HMIS Basics.pptx</u>
- HMIS data standards manual FY2024 HMIS Data Standards.pdf
- The CoC may desire to adopt an additional **youth sub-assessment** for all folks under 25 to assist with more accurately prioritizing these individuals for youth services.

There seems to be consensus between the CE Committee and the YAB that a youth specific sub-assessment would be beneficial.

Is the Youth Services Committee interested in helping to determine what questions should be asked if an assessment is developed?

How long would it take? Assessment through CE? Separate PL for youth? Could potentially pull separate tabs for under 25.

• Tonya interested

Visibility Considerations

- Background
 - While RHY-funded projects require locked visibility settings in HMIS, YHDP-funded projects do not. Since the ROI granting permission to share information in HMIS must be signed by an adult, unaccompanied youth and parenting youth under the age of 18 have typically either been entered into locked projects in HMIS or have had their individual client records locked so that they may be entered into HMIS. However, when the client is enrolled in a locked project or has a locked record created while they are under 18, this can create issues for underage youth who turn 18 while being served, since they would need exited from a locked project for youth under 18 and bere-enrolled in an open project for youth 18-24.
- Problem
 - Having client underage clients be exited and re-enrolled in an open project for youth 18-24 when then turn 18 will artificially inflate positive Exit Destinations for the CoC, as all youth under age 18 who continue to receive services when they turn 18 would be exited from the underage youth project to Rapid Rehousing- the true exit destination for that youth would only be captured when that youth exits the open project for youth 18-24.
 - The need to exit underage youth from a closed project to enroll them in an open project for youth 18-24 would also impact our SPM's, as changes in income would be reviewed from Project Enrollment to Project Exit for the locked project and from Project Enrollment to Exit for the open project, which fundamentally does not reflect the reality that the client's services are never interrupted.
 - Youth projects are typically locked to the agency level- this means that if a youth is entered into the underage project and is later enrolled in the open project for 18-24 year olds, the agency serving the client would still see all of the data entered by the locked project. Any updates recorded by the agency serving the client under the project for 18-24 year olds would be visible to all agencies, but the original data recorded by the locked project would continue to be visible only to the agency originally entering the information- this means other agencies are unable to see the full client record and greatly increases the likelihood for HUD Verification errors.
- Solutions
 - Option 1: Do nothing.
 - § Accept that our Exit Destinations measures will be somewhat skewed by projects that are serving youth under age 18 and that Missouri Balance of State Continuum of Care 2023 34



the CoC as a whole will have to invest additional effort into data cleanup during federal reporting season to ensure that all errors caused by visibility issues can be caught and corrected by System Administrators who will have the visibility required to identify the issues.

- Option 2: Make minor changes.
 - § Accept that our Exit Destinations measures will be somewhat skewed by projects that are serving youth under age 18, but instruct project that serve youth under age 18 to add an End Date to all HUD Verification records when the client is exited, so that new HUD Verification records can be recorded by the open project for youth 18-24. This process will help minimize income and disability errors, but the CoC as a whole will still have to invest additional effort into data cleanup during federal reporting season to ensure that all errors caused by visibility issues can be caught and corrected by System Administrators who will have the visibility required to identify the issues.
- Option 3: Update the HMIS Agency Partner Agreement to allow the CoC to develop its own policy for the collection of an HMIS ROI so that youth under age 18 can sign an ROI.
 - § Our HMIS Privacy and Security Notice allows for the sharing of data to provide or coordinate services to an individual, even without a signed Release of Information. However, client consent is important to us and to our CoC's, so we have always gone the route of requiring an ROI so that clients can actively provide informed consent, but we could explore updating our Agency Partner Agreement to allow the BoS to be a little more flexible in collecting ROI's from the unaccompanied youth who will be served by YHDP projects in order to reduce barriers to access for youth under age 18. Specifically, this would be in section 5.c-Information Sharing. Currently, the APA reads that:
 - "The Agency is responsible for ensuring that the Client is competent to provide consent. In the case of an unaccompanied minor, the Agency will comply with applicable laws regarding minor consent by obtaining the consent of a parent or guardian. In cases of incompetent adults, the Agency must obtain consent from a person authorized to consent under Missouri law."
 - § However, we could propose change, such that:
 - "The Agency is responsible for ensuring that the Client is competent to provide consent, per the policies established by the CoC" with the expectation then being that CoC's will need to establish policies around how to collect consent from minors and from adults who are not their own legal guardian.
 - This change would likely need to be approved by more than the BoS CoC, so a decision on this needs to be made ASAP, as ICA will be asking agencies to sign an updated HMIS Agency Partner Agreement in September/October as part of the Annual Renewal process.
- Considerations
 - Lisa Brooks notes that from a HUD TA perspective, Option 1 and 2 are not great options and that we should pursue the option to allow youth under



age 18 to sign ROI's and work with CoC's to line out the policies that guide our approach to signing the ROI

Does the Youth Services Committee have any concerns about proceeding with Option 3?

Additional Data Elements

 Objective 9.2.3 of the CCP notes that "New data collection processes may be established to increase data outside of federally required data points." ICA will need to work with the CoC, YAB, and other stakeholders to decide how to measure performance outcomes for the different YHDP projects. Decisions about what data will need to be collected ideally need to be made by the end of September to allow ICA time to create data collection tools, complete project setup, and develop user training for projects that will begin operating in December.

• Is the Youth Services Committee interested in helping to determine what questions should be asked and what information about performance and outcomes would be meaningful?

Should YHDP-funded projects adopt the optional, but recommended RHY data elements, for funded projects (see FY2024 HMIS Data Standards for details)?

Number	Element	Included in YHDP Supplemental CSV		
		and		
		Recommended for YHDP projects		
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* YHDP-funded agencies do not need to collect R5, instead, these agencies must collect C3.

Next Meeting

9/19/23 at 10 AM



7/18/23

Attendance: Christian Freeman, Michele Felps - FCC, Sterling Waldman, Nathaniel Meece, Charline - Columbia Housing Authority

 Switching from zoom to google meet OLD:

https://zoom.us/j/96670841561?pwd=ZTk4ZDQ4RW05cmxDWIBuaC9rWE1T Zz09

NEW: BoS Youth Services Committee Meeting @ Monthly from 10am to 11am on the third Tuesday (CDT) (nathaniel@cpsemo.org)

Tuesday, July 18 · 10:00 – 11:00am

Time zone: America/Chicago

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <u>https://meet.google.com/jyz-swbq-kmf</u>

- Or dial: (US) +1 505-445-7471 PIN: 110 783 303#
- More phone numbers: <u>https://tel.meet/jyz-swbq-kmf?pin=5404625262898</u>
- Intros: name, pronouns, organization, favorite cartoon movie
- CCP was approved! Esnaps were submitted on time!
- Redoing ARRP / RFP process more uniformly
 - New Uniform Panel Application was approved by YAB last night
- Research
 - Qualified Minor Verification Form: Sterling/Belle updated the form on the website and uploaded videos of the trainings
 - Presenting findings by Dr. Hsu
 - Needs Assessment: Will soon create infographics with demographic information collected
- FYI Vouchers
 - Bobbie and Sterling met and talked through which PHAs are eligible for FYI vouchers and which are/aren't using them already
 - FYI MOU Template
 - Verification Eligibility Form
 - <u>WIOA</u> funds used for youth work programs, supposed to be able to use these funds for supportive services
 - <u>Chaffee</u> organizations overloaded, so looking to other organizations to expand options
 - Orgs doing this work:
 - <u>https://www.mbch.org/content/how-we-</u> serve/transitional-living-program/27
 - <u>https://cornerstonesofcare.org/Our-Services/Youth-and-Family-Support/Intervention-Services/Pathways-</u> Transitional-Living
- Point Source Youth DCT-P RFP
- Point Source Youth Fellowship opportunity for youth 18-30
- TCU Training August 4th in Columbia! (Draft Flyer)



6/27/23

Attendance: Tonya Webb, Dr. Hsun-Ta Hsu, Tim Shockley, <u>Christian Freeman</u>, Dr. Sarah Tlapek, Tysa Coleman, Tori Dempsey, Bobbie Thomas Schiller, Sterling Waldman

- Intros: name, pronouns, organization, fun fact about you
- Issues with CCP
 - Mostly resolved! Resending this week
 - Brittany will make the necessary changes and add a table
 - Child Welfare signature: Darrell Missey cc Bobbie and Rene' Brinkman
- Board reviewing the YHDP planning grant
- Esnaps for YHDP due July 1!
- YHDP RFP process starting up
 - Call for members to join the Application Review and Recommendation Panel (ARRP)
 - As a member of the ARRP, you would be expected to:
 - Attend a virtual meeting to meet other members and provide any feedback on the RFP after it is written before it is finalized to make recommendations (which would be reviewed by the YAB and the CoC board)
 - Meet virtually two times in August as applications are coming in
 - Meet virtually the first week of September to skim applications and finalize interview processes/schedules
 - Potentially be involved in virtually interviewing applicants' staff
 - Meet in person (potentially for more than one day) the last week of September to finalize reviews and recommendations
 - Tim would like to be more involved in YHDP stuff but can't help here because Project 360 is conflicted out of eval. Sterling to follow up with him to brainstorm other ways to get involved
- Legislative group on youth homelessness updates from the session-end meeting
 - Not able to accomplish the main piece of legislation, couldn't find a good bill to attach it to
 - Waiving fee for unaccompanied youth to obtain state ID
 - Confirmed that minors do NOT need parent/guardian permission to get a plain state-issued ID. They DO need p/g permission for driver's permit.



- Legislature banned gender affirming care and trans girls in sports.
- Some efforts in the legislature to modify work requirements for minors, so that they would need parent permission instead of school permission to get a job.
- Reminder that survivors of domestic violence can now get one free birth certificate
- Legal Services of Eastern Missouri working on a case to tackle the legislation banning sleeping on public property. Currently appealing to the MO Supreme Court
- Legislative group would like to start meeting more regularly, probably beginning of the school year and or end of summer to start early and set goals for upcoming legislative session
- Research: Updates from Dr. Hsun-Ta Hsu
 - Qualified Minor Verification Form: Finished up youth focus groups and interviews
 - Presenting findings next month!
 - Needs Assessment: Have interviewed about 16 librarians so far! Will soon create infographics with demographic information collected
- FYI vouchers (for youth 16+ who have been in foster care previously): it's a 3 year voucher with a potential 2 year extension. Youth can enroll any time until they turn 25
 - In 2020 Children's Division started making MOUs with Housing Authorities (who have the power to administer the vouchers) and service providers. There are currently 56 youth housed and the vouchers are issued by Housing Authorities covering 33 counties and 5 cities, mainly in the Northeast and Southeast regions of the state. One youth was housed within 6 days!
 - Youth are required to be connected to supportive services as part of the voucher process. Many of the service providers are the already-existing Chaffee service providers
 - <u>CoC involvement necessary</u>: CoC member organizations have more staff to coordinate supportive services because the voucher application process requires assessment and there aren't really CD staff to do assessments or HUD safety walkthroughs.
 - Youth can apply if they know they'll be exiting care in the next 90 days, but CD is currently aiming to not use the voucher as an "exit plan" for youth.
 - It also has a savings program as a component so that youth can save up while using the voucher!
 - Bobbie shared resources related to the FYI voucher program: <u>https://dss.mo.gov/cd/older-youth-program/housing-services.htm</u>
 - Housing Authority partnerships
 - Region 2 or 3 has a HA that was really involved in YHDP systems modeling!
 - Some HAs don't want to administer FYI vouchers



- Phelps Co specifically doesn't want to use FYI because they use FUP vouchers but they have a 1-3 month waitlist
 - But FUP has requirements for HAs ("use it or lose it" style)
 - FYI doesn't have a waitlist so it would be easier to get folks housed too
- Concerns
 - State mandated background checks for onboarded staff taking like 6 months. Need to fast track that somehow