ORANGE COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC)
TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH (TAY) COLLABORATIVE COMMITTEE

Friday, September 08, 2023
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

> **Location: Microsoft Teams**
> **Meeting ID: 224 731 959 791**
> **Passcode: 2YBHM7**

Committee Chair: Dr. Shauntina Sorrells

Purpose: The TAY Collaborative Committee will function as an advisory group to the CoC Board and will support the CoC Board in recommending policy, establishing best practices, and providing feedback to create a youth homeless response system to prevent and end youth homelessness. The TAY Collaborative Committee will ensure housing interventions for Orange County's youth address stable housing, permanent connections, education, employment, and well-being so Orange County's most vulnerable youth and young adults can enjoy a healthy transition to adulthood.

AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions – Dr. Shauntina Sorrells, Chair

Public Comments – Members of the public may address the TAY Collaborative Committee on items listed within this agenda or matters not appearing on the agenda so long as the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the TAY Collaborative Committee. Comments will be limited to three minutes. If there are more than five public speakers, this time will be reduced to two minutes. In order to address the TAY Collaborative Committee, members of the public are to enter their name and agenda item number in the chat box to be placed in a queue. Staff will call your name in the order listed in the chat box.

1. **Youth Action Board Recruitment –** Dr. Shauntina Sorrells, Chief Program Officer, Orangewood Foundation
   a. There have been about 3-5 members of the Youth Action Board (YAB) in the last 6 months.
   b. Due to time constraints, the YAB members have been having issues joining the TAY Committee.
   c. The YAB is currently recruiting two additional members. Members are currently compensated $80 an hour for attending YAB meeting and Continuum of Care (CoC) meetings.
   d. United Way will be providing funding to the YAB through the end of the year.
   e. The YAB is working on establishing some recommendations for best practices for TAY shelters, in collaboration with Covenant House.
   f. An attendee of this meeting, Euronymous, expressed interest in joining the YAB.
2. **2-1-1 Orange County Resource Training –** Talia Rodriguez, Resource Supervisor, 2-1-1 Orange County
   a. During the Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP) application process, it was observed that there were many providers that were not sure where to access TAY resources.

b. 2-1-1 Orange County's (211OC) mission is to connect Orange County's most vulnerable with health and human services.
c. The 2-1-1 resource database is composed of nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and free/low-cost services.
d. The resource database contains information of over 1,100 organizations, providing over 3,000 programs in Orange County. These resources are updated, at least annually.
e. Information and Referrals can be provided in the following forms:
    i. Dialing 2-1-1
    ii. Email: Help@211oc.org
    iii. Text Zip code to 898211
f. The 2-1-1 call center can provide resources in English, Spanish, Farsi, and Vietnamese. In addition to this, Information and Referral Specialists can connect to a language line at no cost.
g. Dr. Shauntina asked Talia if it was possible to add a TAY Resource Portal, similarly like the Teen, Military/ Veteran portals. Talia will discuss this idea with their Program Manager and provide an update.
h. Any resources not found in the database can be emailed to Resource@211oc.org.
    i. Email should contain the following information:
        1. Agency/ Program Name
        2. Contact
        3. Website

3. **Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Dashboard –** Mayra Vargas, Coordinated Entry System Staff Specialist, Office of Care Coordination
    a. As of September 2023, the TAY Registry reflected the following datapoints:
        i. There were 14 self-identified chronically homeless TAY.
            1. This is a vast difference from the beginning of this year. This number has been steadily decreasing because of on-going training and clarification around what chronically homeless is defined as.
        ii. There was a total of 4 verified chronically homeless TAY and 9 TAY with a verified disabling condition.
        iii. For this current fiscal year (July 1, 2023 – September 1, 2023), there have been 10 TAY that have been housed, which totaled 10 participants within those households.
        iv. There are currently a total of 231 TAY active in the Coordinated Entry System (CES) project.
            1. On queue – 141
            2. Not on queue – 66
            3. Enrolled – 16
            4. Matched – 8
        v. Housing Interest indicated that 85 TAY believe their episode of homelessness would be resolved with Rapid Rehousing, and 56 opted for Permanent Supportive Housing or Other Permanent Supportive Housing.
        vi. Inflow into CES continues to outpace the outflow.
4. **Continuum of Care (CoC) Updates** – Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination
    a. General CoC Updates
        i. FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards Updates
            1. HUD has released updates to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Data Standards, which includes the updates to the Coordinated Entry System data collection requirements announced on July 10, 2023.
            2. The FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards provide the requirements for the programming and use of all HMIS and comparable database systems and goes into effect October 1, 2023.

    ii. Training Opportunity: National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE)
1. The Office of Care Coordination will be hosting a training on the National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE).
2. This training will provide an overview of the NSPIRE and important guidance for CoC and ESG grant recipients that have housing obligations. Please find details on the upcoming training below:
   a. Date: Thursday, September 14, 2023
   b. Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
   c. This virtual training requires registration. Please register to attend by Wednesday, September 13, 2023.
   d. Registration Link: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMsduCqrT8jGNJfsFq-7-KZJzeOcC65YKrq

    iii. CoC Special Meeting of the Board
1. Date: Monday, September 11, 2023
2. Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
3. For additional details please visit the CoC Webpage, linked below, note that due to the Special meeting the agenda will be posted within 24 hours of the meeting. https://ceo.ocgov.com/care-coordination/homeless-services/2023-continuum-care

Next Meeting: Friday, November 10, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.