Human Services: Transforming Lives



CIP Work Session
Homeless Navigation Center
March 2, 2021
Social Services

DSS' Homeless Services Division Evolution



- July 2016 Homeless Needs Assessment and Action Plan for the Prince William Area (federal HUD Planning funds used) by Marbut Consulting Robert G. Marbut, Jr., Ph.D. – current Executive Director of The United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH)
- Service Gaps
 - ✓ Need to Restructure the Governance System of the Continuum of Care
 - ✓ Intake and Placement Process is Not Working as Hoped
 - ✓ Actionable Data is Sparse
 - The Commingling of Children with Adults Males Contradicts National Best Practices
 - A Critical Lack of Emergency Level Beds and Programming Slots, Especially for Men
 - ➤ Many of the Street Feeding/Services Efforts are Counterproductive
 - > The "Service Culture" is More Often Enabling than Engaging
 - The Amount of Long-Term Housing Placements is Low

DSS' Homeless Services Division



- Coordinated Entry System 703-792-3366
- Hilda Barg Homeless Prevention Center
 - Family Shelter for 30
- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- Hypothermia Services Coordination
 - Sleeping Bags, Mylar blankets
 - Hotel Rooms (during COVID)
- Prince William Area Continuum of Care (Administrative and Fiscal Agent)





COVID Hotel and Shelter (April-Dec)

• Hotel 69 undup. invid.

• Adult Shelter 272 undup. invid

- Hypothermia 152 undup. invid.
- CHERP Funding ends June 30, 2021

Coordinated Entry Calls

• 2019 3,949

2020 6,224

 Ongoing funding in the existing budget

CELEBRATION NOTE: PWA COC's Permanent Supportive Housing and Rapid Re-Housing Committees have worked together to permanently 28 households who were in the hotel and plans are being set for another 20.

Homeless Navigation Center (HNC) - East



CIP - Building

- Located on currently owned land (Homeless Services staff offices; Bill Mehr Drop-In Center)
- Capacity for 50
- Use Ferlazzo until built for service continuity

Budget - Staffing (\$1.2 M)

- HNC Manager
- Case Managers
- Behavioral Health Therapist
- Resident Assistants

Homeless Navigation Center/Drop-In Center - West

- Looking for locations in the West
- Collaborating with Serving our Neighbors
- Providing hypothermia services
- Connecting with Manassas City faith-based providers

Homeless Navigation Center - East



- 30,000 square-foot facility on existing drop-in center site
- Coordinated wrap around homeless services with community partners



- March work session
- Project cost: \$21.0M
 - FY22 capital appropriation (design): \$2.0M
 - Debt service and operating costs begin FY24 (\$2.0M/year)



Questions?

