

Wednesday, May 25, 2022, 2:30 – 4:00, Blueberry Room 2103 (2ndF Lobby), New Government Center

Attendees:

Members (marked box indicates *Present*):

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| ☐ Nibbe, Vickie (Excused) | ☒ Lundgren, Kelly |
| ☒ Antl, Linda | ☒ Marquez, Kimberly |
| ☒ Dahlman, Tammi (Remote) | ☒ Carl Harju |
| ☐ Goodrum, Jami (Excused) | ☒ Ray-Mader, Jennifer (Vice Chair) (Remote) |
| ☒ Gangnon, Bradley | ☒ Smith, Todd (Remote) |
| ☒ Husom, Christine (Remote) | ☒ Tyler, Jeremy (Chair) |
| ☒ Lashale Eskridge | |

HHS Staff Attendees: Kim Johnson, Sarah Grosshuesch, Diane Erkens

1. Welcome New Member – Kelly Lundgren, Lashale Eskridge
2. Approve 2022-03-26 HHSAC Minutes
ACTION: Gangnon moved, Antl second, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
3. Mental Health Update (Carl Harju, ~~Diane Erkens~~)
 - a. 2022-05-10 MAHC meeting – Carl Harju newly elected chair, after Eric Nagel's resignation
 - b. May is Mental Health Awareness Month
 - c. Discussed/assessed community mental health needs
4. Public Health Task Force Update (Dr. Jennifer Ray-Mader, Sarah Grosshuesch)
 - a. Community Health Needs Assessment at Huikko's
 - i. Current priorities
 1. Mental wellbeing
 2. Substance use and abuse
 3. Dental access
 - ii. Reviewed HHS scorecard
 - iii. Program updates – Home Visiting, Family Planning; grant opportunities
5. American Rescue/Relief Plan Update [Commissioner Husom (County), Kim Johnson (HHS)]
 - a. County - ongoing fund approvals toward administrative costs, 4H, mental health services, household assistance, drinking water distribution in Howard Lake, broadband, others
 - b. HHS Financial Services – the Emergency General Assistance (EGA) funds are already expended; using ARPA funds if there is a Covid component on the emergency application for adults
 - c. Discussed homelessness, prevalence in the metro versus Wright County

- i. **ACTION:** Kim to bring to the next meeting the percentage of homelessness in Wright County

6. Open Forum:

- a. [2021 Annual Report](#)
 - i. Kim presented the HHS Annual Report
- b. 2021 Cash and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Performance Report (Kim Johnson)
 - i. Wright County hit 78 percent over the 55 percent program threshold set by the State on Expedited Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Applications processed within business day
 - ii. Scored 81.8 percent over 75 percent threshold on SNAP and Cash assistance applications processed timely

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Submitted by Naomi Blomberg, Administrative Specialist