Lenawee Essential Needs Council

MINUTES from August 1, 2017, 2017

- **Call to Order/Roll Call**: Nancy Bishop, Lynne Punnett, Burt Fenby, Laura Pipis, Tim Kelly, Elizabeth Salerno, John Haught, Jacki Bradley

  - Lenawee County ranks very high in Lead Exposure. There is currently a group that is seeking a grant writer to fund a lead abatement program. DHHS, Habitat for Humanity, CAA, and the Health Department have had conversations and are collaborating in regards to this initiative.

  - Share the Warmth can no longer be housed at Salvation Army. They have a possible site and a purchase agreement signed. However, they still need additional funding in order to make this happen. It was suggested that they contact the United Way. It was also suggested that they present at the next Community Collaborative meeting and the next CoC.

  - Neighbors of Hope are moving forward with the Women’s and Children’s Shelter. They have a location. Neighbors of Hope and Share the Warmth are both critical shelter needs in the community; they serve very different populations.

  - The Housing Study is complete! There was a short presentation about it at the County Commissioners Meeting. Efforts need to be made to read the study, it is 400 pages.

  - Creating a Trauma Informed Community

    - What does it mean to be a Trauma Informed Community?

    - Does CMH still offer trainings?

    - “Handle With Care” - Meetings are planned to talk to Law Enforcement about this initiative. When a child is caught in a traumatic event, it could be an accident, death, abuse... Law Enforcement would call the school and simply
advise them to handle this child with care. This lets the school know that something happened but it does not breach confidentiality.

At the last Transportation Meeting we talked about “What would it look like if the transportation problem in Lenawee County was fixed?” and then went backwards from there. There is a need for a transportation coordinator in our county! This could possibly be housed at The Department On Aging, they already have a large transportation program. Previously CAA had a van that was operated through MCOP. This stopped due to the lack of use/funding. It is possible to bring this van back.

Integrated Service Delivery is coming- This is DHHS new web portal that will assist clients with access needed services. It will have a direct link with 211.

Next Meeting October 3 @3:00PM

Meetings are held the First Tuesday (odd Months)