## Houston Area HIV Services Ryan White Planning Council

#### **Affected Community Committee**

12 noon, Monday, July 25, 2022

Join us via Zoom, please do not come to the office in person. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81032740414?pwd=V1hTMnltaklDanBDNU9XYkVkdllTZz09

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# AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
  - A. Welcome
  - B. Announce who will be chairing the meeting
  - C. Moment of Reflection
  - D. Adoption of the Agenda
  - E. Approve the Minutes
- II. Public Comment

(NOTE: If you wish to speak during the Public Comment portion of the meeting, please sign up on the clipboard at the front of the room. No one is required to give his or her name or HIV status. All meetings are audio taped by the Office of Support for use in creating the meeting minutes. The audiotape and the minutes are public record. If you state your name or HIV status it will be on public record. If you would like your health status known, but do not wish to state your name, you can simply say: "I am a living person with HIV", before stating your opinion. If you represent an organization, please state that you are representing an agency and give the name of the organization. If you work for an organization, but are representing yourself, please state that you are attending as an individual and not as an agency representative. Individuals can also submit written comments to a member of the staff who would be happy to read the comments on behalf of the individual at this point in the meeting.)

- III. Council Updates
- IV. 2022 Integrated Planning Process

Mackenzie Hudson

Tori Williams

- VI. Announcements
- VII. Adjourn

Tony Crawford and Rodney Mills, Co-Chairs

## Houston Area HIV Services Ryan White Planning Council

Joint Meeting of the Affected Community & Project LEAP Advisory Committees

12:00 pm, Monday, June 27, 2022

Meeting Location: Zoom teleconference

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	PROJECT LEAP ADVISORY
Tony Crawford, Co-Chair	Holly Renee McLean	Robert Sliepka, Co-Chair
Ardry "Skeet" Boyle	Veronica Ardoin	Bobby Cruz
Cubby Crawford-Prado	Rosalind Belcher	Tana Pradia
Johnny Deal	Rodney Mills	Deborah Somoye
Ronnie Galley	Diana Morgan	
Cecilia Ligons	Veria Steptoe	OTHERS PRESENT
Deborah Hurd	Andrew Wilson	Crystal Starr, RWPC Chair
		Tori Williams, Ofc of Support
		Diane Beck, Ofc of Support
		Rod Avila, Ofc of Support

## MINUTES

**Call to Order:** Tony Crawford called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m., and asked for a moment of reflection

Adoption of the Agenda: <u>Motion #1</u>: it was moved and seconded (Deal, Somoye) to adopt the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of the Minutes:** <u>*Motion #2*</u>: it was moved and seconded (Boyle, Crawford-Prado) to approve the May 23, 2022 minutes. **Motion carried.** Abstentions: Crawford-Prado, Cruz, Ligons.

Public Comment: None.

**Council Updates:** Williams said that between March and July the Planning Council does the work needed for the grant application. The How to Best Meet the Need process is conducted in April and approved by the Council in June. The Priority and Allocations Committee completed their work last week and the Council will review and approve it next month. The public hearing on the Priority and Allocations recommendations will be televised tonight. She thanked Crawford, Starr, Cruz and Ledbetter for pre-recording the public hearing so that it can be uploaded to YouTube. So far it has been viewed 10 times in English and 5 in Spanish, which is more viewers than we get when it's held live. Proyecto VIDA launched on June 8<sup>th</sup> with 12 students. The classes are going very well, the students are very dedicated and attendance has been great. The Quality of Life workgroup meetings were very well attended. They made recommendations for the Integrated Plan and will resume work in January. As you know, the Council approved the creation of a fifth pillar focusing on Quality of Life for the Ending the HIV Epidemic Plan. The Office of Support staff is currently interviewing applicants for Project LEAP which will start on July 27<sup>th</sup>.

Project LEAP Advisory Committee: Sliepka assumed the role of Chair.

**Project LEAP 2022 Recruitment Updates:** Williams said 19 applications have been received. Eight of the applicants have been interviewed and 10 interviews are scheduled for interviews next week. Pradia has distributed recruitment materials at many places including Legacy, Thomas Street, Montrose Center, Texas Strike Force and Positive Women's Network. Starr said that a table is scheduled at the Montrose Center on June 30<sup>th</sup> and volunteers are needed to staff it. Crawford-Prado said he is available and Crawford said he might also be available. Galley and Pradia volunteered to staff the table at Thomas Street. Starr and Sliepka will meet this afternoon to organize the rest of the agencies.

**Announcements:** Boyle announced that Bread of Life will be distributing fresh produce on July 1st from 10 am until 12 pm. The address is 2019 Crawford Street underneath the Pierce elevated in back of the church. Pradia said that Positive Women's Network is having a backpack drive and accepting donations for school supplies. The distribution of school supplies to students will take place on August 6<sup>th</sup>. Crawford-Prado said he has a bag of school supplies to donate; he will leave them at the Office of Support for Pradia.

**Adjourn:** *Motion: it was moved and seconded (Pradia, Sliepka) to adjourn the meeting at 12:48 p.m.* **Motion carried unanimously.** 

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Tori Williams, Director

Date

Committee Chair

Date