Mill Levy Advisory Council, DHS
April 4, 2019 – rescheduled from March 13

Denver Human Services
Agenda

- Introductions
  - Structure of meetings
  - Housekeeping
  - Timelines for recommendations
  - Council discussion topics
  - Public comment period
Introductions

• Council member introductions
  o Name
  o Affiliation (if any)
  o If you are a co-chairperson, announce this as well

• DHS Staff

• Guests in attendance
Introductions

- Courage
- Loyalty
- Empowerment
- Sustainability

Council Values
Agenda

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▪ **Structure of Meetings**
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Structure of Meetings

• Robert’s Rules review – see your cheat sheet!
  o Motions/ Debate
  o Votes
  o Requesting Points of something

• Review proposed co-chairpersons protocol

• Possible tools and methods to build consensus
  o Formalizing recommendations

• Volunteer(s) to work on public comment protocol with DHS staff
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Housekeeping

• Review meeting minutes from 2/22
  o Practice Robert’s Rules- motion and vote to approve!

• Review proposed bylaws, including any changes
  o Potential to motion and vote to approve proposed bylaws
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Timelines for Recommendations

• Recall - DHS proposed 2 recommendation cycles for 2019:
  • Spring (recommendation for immediate impact in community)
  • Fall (recommendation related to bigger problems raised)

• Discuss reasonable timelines that balance thoughtful diligence with responsive action.

• Today’s goal: establish timelines to finalize recommendations and submit to DHS for review. Then build backwards to schedule meetings and set deadlines for steps leading up to recommendations.
Proposed Advisory Council Cycle

**TARGET DATES FOR ADVISORY COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

- **Late Q2/Early Q3**: DHS and Advisory Council review and evaluate impact of services for Denver residents with I/DD.
- **Late Q3/Early Q4**: Advisory Council recommends RFAs/RFPs for DHS to issue.
- **Early to Mid Q4**: Advisory Council recommends projects to select to DHS.
- **Mid to Late Q4/Early Q1**: DHS evaluates recommendations and contracts with providers.
- **Late Q1/Q2 in 2019 then Ongoing**: Providers perform services for Denver residents with I/DD.
- **Late Q4 2018 Only**: DHS issues RFI based on needs assessment findings.
- **Q4 2018 Only**: DHS and Advisory Council identify needs on which to focus in next year.
- **Q4 2018 Only**: DHS will likely be behind on these target dates in 2018 and early 2019.

*Process and timeline are subject to change.*
Meetings

• Next meetings:
  o Friday, April 19 from 2-4pm at the Family Crisis Center, DHS campus

• For consideration:
  o Doodle poll
  o Regular meeting schedule
  o Accessibility of meeting locations and dates/times

• Continue to outreach and invite community members throughout networks to join us for the Council meetings
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Discussion: Big Problems

Big Problems to learn more about for Fall 2019 recommendations

- Timelines
- Mill Levy Spending Recommendations worksheet results
- Needs Assessment: review and discuss
Discussion: Big Problems

Big Problems to learn more about for Fall 2019 recommendations

- Affordable Housing
- Waitlist
- Transition Services
- Obtaining Employment
- Case Mgmt
- Mental Health
Discussion: Big Problems

• Looking ahead:
  o Potential to engage community in public facing format
  o Invite guest speakers that are experts in their field to support learning and conversation around big issues
Discussion: Immediate Impact

Areas of focus for an immediate impact, Spring 2019 recommendations:
  o Resources for transition and access to services
  o Understanding of the Mill Levy
  o Cultural competence and sensitivity
Discussion: Immediate Impact

Areas of focus for an immediate impact, Spring 2019 recommendations:

**Transition Services, part 2:** To enhance transition services through the development of resources for families, case managers, providers, and school personnel. Resources may include a database of available adult services, trainings, or information sessions for parents and case managers, and materials on best practices that incorporate self-directed planning and family involvement.

- Website directory of services
- Comprehensive resource guide
- Map and/or infographics that facilitate system navigation
- Benefits counseling or resources
Discussion: Immediate Impact

Areas of focus for an immediate impact, Spring 2019 recommendations:

**Cultural Competence and Sensitivity:** Offer public information and awareness to Denver residents to reduce stigma and increase inclusivity within the community for persons with IDD.
  - Outreach projects
  - Citywide campaign to drive understanding and inclusion
    - Supports campaign to build provider capacity
Discussion: Immediate Impact

Areas of focus for an immediate impact, Spring 2019 recommendations:

**Understanding of the Mill Levy:** Develop communication materials that clearly articulate the services provided by the mill levy, and the ways in which individuals and families can access these services.

- Resources from providers
- Resources from DHS
- Communications campaign
Discussion: Immediate Impact

Areas of focus for an immediate impact, Spring 2019 recommendations:

- Transition Services (Resources)
- Cultural Competence & Sensitivity
- Understanding the Mill Levy
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- Public comment period
If you are signed up, please wait for the co-chair to recognize you before beginning to comment. The Council recognizes members of the public by following the order in which they signed up.

We ask any persons making public comment to state:
- Your name and any organizational affiliation
- Whether you are a resident of the City & County of Denver
- The topic you are addressing
- Proceed with full comment

Public commenters have 2 minutes to speak.

Please be respectful of the time allotted so that all persons that are signed up may have the same opportunity to comment.
Thank you for coming!

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