

ARPA Residential Transformational Committee

Agenda
5/25/23
2pm-3:30pm



Transformation



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1. Welcome
2. Overview of rules for public meeting
3. Approval of last month's meeting minutes
4. Deloitte Update
5. McDowell Update
6. FAQ's review
 - Heather suggested an all-inclusive list of initiatives or sources of income may be helpful to list on the FAQ sheet such as:
 - i. Assistive and Remote Technology Services
 - ii. Supportive housing options non-projected based
 - iii. incentives for approved ARPA plans
 - iv. Rent subsidy changes
 - v. One Time Funding
 - Kathy Bobenski comments:

- i. Is the Rent Subsidy committee be established to address the issues?
- ii. Meals on Wheels is a good idea, but it should only be used if PCA's or family isn't available to prepare food.
- iii. Obviously one-time funding for furniture is a fair idea.
- iv. Training with repetition and varied presentation approaches may be more costly than anticipated. Hopefully, the incentives will help with this and the one-time safety net is an added benefit.
- v. Will there be an evaluation of the training upon completion of the training which asks the staff members if they feel fully informed about the initiative and that they support its efforts.
- vi. Are parents or individuals living with in-home supports aware of the Notices of Opportunity. Are case managers making families aware and are newsletters alerting people of the opportunities.
- vii. It would be helpful to list all the other transportation options that would be deemed unworkable before Lyft or Uber would be approved.
- viii. It is hopeful to say that providers will backfill any openings from the very long emergency list, but there is certainly no guarantee that this will happen. It is essential that some plan and possibly incentives be put in place in the very near future for population.
- ix. Are there any clear guidelines for handling missteps by individuals embracing their new found independence?
- x. The Dept. of Housing site states that the waiting list for RAP's is currently closed and that there is always a long waitlist whenever it is opened again. Will this effect this initiative?
- xi. The staffing shortage is very real.

- **Brian Holmes**

- i. Question regarding the sustainability of this transformation process and its effect, if any, on the waiting list.

7. Updates on DDS progress

8. Other Concerns/topics

9. Ongoing meeting times