Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title:	Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting
Facilitator:	Houston Tate, OCR Director
Minutes Prepared by:	William Wynn, OCR Senior Planner
Date/Time:	January 15, 2019
Location:	2300 N Jog Rd., Room 1W-47, West Palm Beach, FL 33411

Meeting Attendance:

1. Joanna Aiken — SWA
2. Debbie Bester — Memory Trees
3. Rudy Bester — Memory Trees
4. Jason Bonner
5. Shirley Broomfield
6. Vivian Brooks — PBC OCR
7. Denise Brown — PBC Health Department
8. Deputy Ellis — PBSO
9. Shannon Doughney — Cabana Colony Resident
10. Pamela Garcia — Palm Springs Resident
11. Shirley George — San Castle Resident
12. James Green — PBC Community Services
13. Jodi Guthrie — PBC Code Enforcement
14. Reginald Hayes — PBC Youth Services
15. Helene Hvizd — PBC Attorney's Office
16. Sgt. Ivanovic — PBSO
17. Jeff Koons
18. Lana Martinez — San Castle Resident
19. Adler Martinez — Westgate Resident
20. Chrystal Mathews — PBC OCR
21. Bill McDonald — Plantation Resident
22. Sandr Meredith — Cabana Colony Resident
23. Randall Miller — Miller Environmental Solutions, LLC
24. Lt. Chris Myers — PBSO
25. Fadi Nassar — PBC Engineering
26. Michael Owens — School District of Palm Beach County
27. John Portelli — Juno Ridge Resident
28. David Rafaidus — PBC Community Services
29. Audley Reid — PBC OCR

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30. Deputy Roock	PBSO
31. Leroy Rouse	Gramercy Park Resident
32. Michael Sklar	PBC Economic Sustainability
33. Bob Smallacombe	PBC Fire Rescue
34. Ana Stewart	PBC Drowning Prevention
35. Houston Tate	PBC OCR
36. Naria Thirbenny	
37. Michael Thomas	Family Creed, Inc
38. Thomas Totz	Plantation Resident
39. Shanna Walker	Cabana Colony Resident
40. Gregg Weiss	PBC Commissioner, District 2
41. Deputy Vessage	PBSO
42. William Wynn	PBC OCR

Meeting Minutes

I. **Welcome and Introductions**: Houston Tate, Director OCR, called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and asked the Countywide Community Revitalization Team (CCRT) members to introduce themselves and go over the mission/purpose of their respective organizations. Ruth Moguillansky, OCR Principal Planner introduced herself and asked the OCR team to introduce themselves.

II. **Department Updates:**

III. **Presentation: Palm Beach County Community Services – James Green, Director**

Mr. Green presented on the "Pilot Initiative to Increase Economic Mobility and Reduce Poverty in Palm Beach County". During his presentation, Mr. Green discussed how Palm Beach County will promote, fund and provide initiatives that reduce the incidence of poverty.

- **Securing Our Future**
  Pilot initiative to increase Economic Mobility and Reduce Poverty In Palm Beach County

- **Background Information**
  Resolution No. R-90-1978 Established the Citizens Advisory Committee on Health and Human Services
  "*The mission of the Committee shall be to assist the Board of County Commissioners in the assessment of need, planning, implementation and evaluation of a System of Care, as defined in the Health and Human Services Element of the Palm Beach County Comprehensive Plan.*"

- **Health and Human Services Element (Poverty Reduction Goal)**
  OBJECTIVE 2.5 Reducing Poverty
  Palm Beach County will promote, fund and provide initiatives that reduce the incidence of poverty.
  1. Provide funding for economic stability
  2. Analyze data to assess economic needs of clients

3.   Job Skills and trainings
4.   Collaborate with other organizations who promotes economic growth
5.   Local match funds for economic support to low income, working parents

- **Vision**
  A System of Care that maximizes opportunities for economic mobility.

- **Mission**
  To collaborate with stakeholders to create an ecosystem that supports innovative systemic change leading to increased economic mobility for low-income families.

- **Guiding Principles**
  We believe:
  - That poverty is everyone's problem
  - In finding solutions with people not for people
  - In shared economic prosperity

- **Goal**
  1. **To reduce poverty by 10% over the next 10 years.**
  This would require moving 188 households (with kids ages 0-18) beyond the federal poverty threshold and eventually the ALICE threshold every year for the next decade

- **Economic mobility indicators**
  Direct Supports and Services
  # of individuals served who receive job skills training
  # of individuals served who access affordable housing, financial services
  Systems Improvement
  # of policies promoted, enacted or modified to promote economic mobility
  # of community partners organized and participating in the economic mobility initiative

  Outcome Measures
  •% of individuals served who gain employment
  •% of individuals served who increase their wages
  •% of individuals served who increase the disposable income by accessing benefits and/or reducing cost
  •% of individuals served who earn licenses, certificates and/or credentials
  •Total dollar amount of refunds returned to individuals/families through VITA program

- **Securing Our Future (3 Components)**
  1.   Examining the Lake
  2.   Feeding the Fish
  3.   Aiming for Prosperity

- **Examining the Lake**
  1.   Health and Human Services System Alignment Within and Across Sectors (Institutional Practices)
  2.   Fiscal Cliff-Groundwater Approach
  3.   Breaking Down Barriers
         a. Fines and Fees
         b. Other local, state and national policies

- **Feeding The Fish**
  1. Access to basic needs (i.e. housing, food, childcare, transportation, healthcare etc.)
  2. Education and Job Skill Training
  3. Leveraging partners for internships and employment (Municipalities, businesses etc.)
  4. Promote Entrepreneurship Opportunities
  5. Build Resiliency (Mentor, Coaching etc.)

- **How the initiatives work together**

- **Aiming For Prosperity**
  (Moving Beyond the alice threshold)
  1. Leverage partnerships for workforce housing
  2. Leverage partnerships for down payment and home ownership
  3. Education and Training for Promotions
  4. Entrepreneurship as additional income
  5. Leverage youth employment opportunities
  6. Teach Self Advocacy

- **Governance Structure**

- **Poverty Workgroup**
  Assist with Community Profiles
  Assist with facilitating Community Conversations
  Assist with developing parameters for FAA RFP
  Assist with review panels and selection committee
  Assist with System Alignment and Cross-Sector Integration
  Assist with Developing Recommendations
  Assist with Implementation of Recommendations

- **Economic Access Team**
  Assist with Community Engagement
  Assist with Recruiting Agencies Applying for RFP
  Assist with Research-based Program Models
  Assist with Measurement and Evaluation Tools
  Assist with reporting progress on economic mobility
  Assist with the selection of household participants

- **Obtaining and reviewing data**

- **Choose areas by commission boundaries (highest concentration of poverty or high poverty rate (zip code report or highest poverty by numbers (zip code report)**

- **Data Driven Decisions**
  Develop the FAA RFP giving additional points to applications that focus on these zip codes
  Community conversations will help determine which services will be prioritized
  Applications will speak to how trauma and racial equity is incorporated in their approach

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All families must fall below federal poverty guideline (targeting families within data set)
Service delivery model must be explained (including how agencies will leverage partnerships-Circles/Open Table/Purpose Built Communities)
Use of coordinated entry system and measurement tools will be a requirement

- **MEASUREMENT AND ASSESSMENT**
  How Participants could be selected

- **TRACKING AND REPORTING SYSTEM**
  CAP can screen applicants, determine eligibility and provide participants with FAA funded agency within geographical zone along with resource directory (Coordinated Entry)
  CAP will designate staff to collect information (including client feedback) from agencies quarterly
  CAP can set aside staff to provide utility bill assistance for clients and RFP CSBG services according to needs (gaps identified after RFP responses received)
  Any agencies that are providing case management can access services for clients as long as they go through coordinated entry within designated timeframe for accepting applications

- **Increasing awareness, Policy review & institutional alignment**
  - **Poverty Awareness Month (October 2018)**
  1. **Host Poverty Awareness Week**
     a. BCC Proclamation (including other cities and board proclamations)
     b. Watch films, budget food, public transportation
     c. Culmination of Poverty Simulation
     d. Poverty Symposium (Panel to increase awareness about Policy Review and Fiscal Cliff)
     e. Inform Public about Securing Our Future initiative

  II. **Develop Process for Policy Review and Institutional Alignment**
     a. Join Florida Chambers planning group
     b. Develop plan for Policy Review and Institutional Alignment Recommendations

IV.   Questions/Comments:

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Approved by: Houston L. Tate, OCR Director_____