
From: Mikkel Beckmen
Sent: Monday, June 08, 2015 11:33 AM
To: Laura Kadwell
Subject: RE: Request to Downtown Council

Hi Laura,

A couple of quick concerns/reactions about going to the DT Council with this initiative for two reasons.

1. We have several major initiatives involving the DT Council/DID including a very expensive DT 2025 effort that we are going to need major investments in, as well as in the beginning stages of a major CAP-type project for women, which is of great concern, especially for the DT community and the plans by the Salvation Army to stop providing overnight space for 120 men and women and hope to ask the DT community for help in dealing with this emerging issue.
2. I feel our office is deeply disconnected to State efforts and that we need to find out how to communicate each of our priorities/projects/emerging work.

I'm not sure how to prioritize who we should collectively go to for which projects but it would be nice to figure it out.

Ok, having vented for a minute, I'm wondering about a couple of things –

Has anyone checked in with the Hennepin County GRH staff?
How can we assist? Especially internally with HC?

It you can tie the effort to the goal of ending street homelessness DT that would help your application.
Let me know how it goes,

Thanks,
Mikkel

From: Laura Kadwell [mailto:laura.kadwell@hennepincounty.org]
Sent: Monday, June 08, 2015 10:43 AM
To: Mikkel Beckmen
Subject: Request to Downtown Council
Importance: High

Hi Mikkel – I wanted to talk with you last week about this possibility but, in the hurry and flurry of all things NAEH, did not find an opportunity. We are trying to put together \$200,000 to focus on 2 specific strategies to address vets homelessness: identifying landlords and setting up a GRH program similar to the Currie Avenue Project but specifically for vets. The attachment describes the strategies in more detail.

One idea we've had for funding the GRH piece is asking the Downtown Council for \$\$\$. I wondered if you would be willing to talk with Steve but then saw Steve at the YouthLink ROI meeting this morning and brought the subject up with him then. He said to send him the material which I will do. I wanted to let you know I plan to send this on to Steve and ask if you have any words of wisdom/advice before I do so.

Steve did ask what we know about vets in downtown Mpls and I'll try to get that info before sending this off later today.

Thanks, Mikkell,
Laura

(PS – I'm around all day except 11:45 to 1:30 if you want to discuss.)

