**Behavioral Health Action Committee Notes**

**Meeting 10/28/2020** – Gwen Brown, Nate Fields, Bruce Panczner, Pickett Slater Harrington, Schevon Hendrick, Towanda Taylor, Kristen Mitchell

1. Action item: connect all outreach teams, resources, service providers:
   1. Second Chance Behavioral Health Center – Towanda Taylor

* Intensive Outpatient Drug Treatment (IOP) – 6 months
* Outpatient Drug Treatment (OP) – 8 months – clients can be employed during this phase
* Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP)
* Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program (PRP)
* Mental Health Program (MHP)
* Weekly outreach in Post 114 – they have an intake center at BEAM
* Housing (If clients have an income, they are asked to contribute money toward food for the house)
* When clients are ready to move out on their own, Second Chance will match whatever they have saved for housing
  1. Downtown Partnership of Baltimore – Nate Fields – working to expand outreach team and getting a more direct connection to housing through Journey Home
  2. People Encouraging People – Homeless outreach + more – Achike Oranye
  3. BMore Power – Harm reduction program operating under the BHSB umbrella - William Miller, Montressa Tripps
  4. Mayor’s Office of Homeless Services – Jessi Stevens
  5. LEAD – Schevon Hendrick (Program Manager); Deana Krizan
* Harm reduction program that operates under the BHSB umbrella, with Baltimore Crisis Response Initiative (BCRI)
* Referrals from law enforcement only (with minor exceptions)
* Clients cannot be on parole or probation, have an open case or warrant
* They work with the SAO to clear minor infractions
* If LEAD cannot help someone, they still do a warm handoff to appropriate service providers
  1. BPD – Joanne Wallace, Steven Olson
  2. UMB Police Homeless Outreach – Samuel Little, Yale Partlow, Lt. Johnson (?)

1. Bruce will coordinate Field Trip(s) to Second Chance the week of November 9.
2. Distribute Second Chance Literature
3. Gwen will share information on stabilization center on Raynor Ave.
4. Tackling immediate issues – behavioral health crises, homelessness, substance abuse, and critical gaps in housing, transportation – is the immediate priority. In the future, we hope to address transportation, affordable housing, workforce development, etc., from a broader perspective (not just in terms of helping people in crisis).

Next Meeting: November 18, 12:30.