

# LONG-TERM RECOVERY COMMITTEE

## August 10, 2009 Meeting Notes

**Present:**      Jamie Mahadeo                      Health and Human Services  
                    Jon McKenzie                              Recover Suncoast  
                    Marion Sortore                              Florida VOAD  
                    Chip Taylor                                    Health and Human Services  
                    Pauline Tracy                                Health and Human Services  
                    Bruce Wismer                                Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Discussion ensued regarding the status of the case management effort for Recover Suncoast. Marion Sortore advised that the national case management standards document is now available at the National VOAD website. Jon McKenzie explained that they are getting ready to set up a meeting of the key players to discuss how to contact the CEOs of designated case management agencies to encourage participation in Recover Suncoast. The committee will consist of Stewart Stearns, Inaki Rezola, Marion Sortore, Bruce Wismer, Chip Taylor, Pauline Tracy, and Phil Gorelick. It was suggested that the PowerPoint Jon has prepared could be shown to the CEOs perhaps at a breakfast at the Community Foundation where they can get their questions answered as a group.

With regard to the Post Disaster Preparedness Plan, it was suggested that the LTRC follow up with Ed McCrane to ensure he has the information he needs to write the LTRC into the plan.

Bruce Wismer requested that everyone review the national case management standards. Marion noted that the LTRC Manual needs to be updated as well. Some of the committees mentioned in the Manual need to be collapsed.

### **Next Steps**

- Need to identify people to be on the various committees as written into the LTRC Manual.
- The Financial and Advocacy teams need to be reviewed to see if they can be collapsed.
- Do a presentation to the COAD on the Florida Donations Portal. Prior to this presentation, meet with Ed McCrane to update him on the process and discuss how the Florida Donations Portal will interact with EM Constellation.
- Review the Tapestry donations module to see if it can be used as a local donations portal.
- To distribute the funds collected by the Community Foundation, can this be done by the COAD or does it need to be an act of the Community Alliance?

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- Can the forms to access funding from funders like the United Way, Community Foundation of Sarasota, Gulf Coast Community Foundation, Patterson Foundation etc., be consolidated to streamline the funding process?
- Revisit the LTRC Manual to incorporate the national case management standards. We don't need to recreate the case management forms used by the case management agencies. We need enough information to be able to document the need.
- Jon McKenzie will send FEMA (Ken Skalitzky) our local Release of Information form for their review and approval.
- Need to engage other LTRC members to attend the meetings.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Long-term Recovery Committee meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at the Health and Human Services Building, 2200 Ringling Boulevard, Room 226 (Auditorium).