**Brainstorm from May 8, 2015 Veteran’s Meeting**

**What Are the Primary Drivers We Need to End Veteran’s Homelessness by the End of 2015?**

**Coordination**

Mandatory Referral/Response within 24 hours

Refer Veterans to VA services ASAP-(More Veteran vouchers –permanent housing)

Method to share information

Flow chart for triage of resources-Use on each individual

Providers need to be educated about Veterans eligibility for VA benefits

Community meetings (providers)

Systems Coordination (I.E: VA systems (State, Regional & CoC)

Better understanding of non-veteran specific systems

Better communication between providers & Government entities

Better communication (C of C)-(Identifying where the housing vouchers are-eligibility)

Efficient communication between agencies

Identify a point person for each individual (only appropriate resources are identified)

Make sure we have communication with area family shelters- (pick them up fast)

Communicate more than once a month about individuals- (Better follow-up of referrals)

More awareness of CH 115 benefits

Speed

**Outreach/Evaluation**

Street outreach team

Outreach to: Shelters, Outdoor spaces, etc…

Identify by individual services/housing needed

Determine groups by psych and physical status

**Case Management/Supportive Services**

Assistance with benefits, CORI & Credit repair (Veterans)

MH care

Supportive behavioral health wrap around

Provide additional mental health services for chronic mentally ill (Identifiers of chronic)

Extended SSVF services (Case management)

**Housing**

DHCD Veterans preference for PHA’s

Speeding up the inspections & lease ups

Landlords with flexible requirements

Build more relationships with landlords (Veterans)

More housing stock (that will accept HUD/VASH)

Affordable housing

Different forms of housing

Housing stock

Affordable housing

Landlords who are willing to accept Veterans with backgrounds, bad credit, etc…

Outreach to landlords

Vouchers

Obtain funding for Veterans ineligible for vouchers

Soften SSVF eligibility criteria (Veterans)

More women Veterans with children (Permanent housing)

Increase frail elder housing for Veterans

Housing production with subsidy

**Income**

Faster claims processing (SSI/SSDI & SCD)

Concrete financial resources (more reality)

Sustainable income for recipients of housing

Job Development-Long term employment

Long term employment

Jobs/Income, Jobs

Income for veterans

**Mainstream Services**

Better integration of GED in systems as a whole

Legal Help

Educational opportunities

**Other**

Make facilities more alluring- (Updates: Home Depot, will possibly help redesign/refurbish

Hire more staff (Veterans)

Additional capacity for female veterans