

April 11, 2003

TO: Members of the MAG Human Services Technical Committee

FROM: Sandra Reagan, Director, Southwest Community Network

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF MEETING AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, April 17, 2003 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
MAG Offices - Cholla Room - 2nd Floor
Compass Bank Building, 302 N. First Avenue, Phoenix

Please remember to park in the garage underneath the Compass Bank Building (1st Ave. entrance, any non-reserved or visitor space) and bring your parking ticket to the meeting for validation. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. Members may also attend the meeting by videoconference or by telephone conference. Please contact the MAG offices to make arrangements.

The MAG Human Services Technical Committee will meet at the above time and place. Please call Debbra Determan at the MAG office if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of November 21, 2002 Human Services Technical Committee Minutes
 - For approval of the November 21, 2002 Meeting Minutes
3. Project Update related to January Advance 2002
 - HSTC Bylaws/membership
 - For information, discussion and possible action.

The Human Services Technical Committee had not reviewed its bylaws and membership structure in several years, and some Committee members suggested the need to enhance representation and participation on the Committee.

A subcommittee met in December 2002, reviewed the bylaws and recommended a copy of the current Operating Procedures – Human Services Technical be sent to the HSTC for their review. This document details the composition and term length for members of the HSTC.

The HSTC is charged with discussing and possibly updating these issues.

4. Potential Advance for the HSTC & HSCC at the next joint Meeting Scheduled for Thursday July 17, 2003

Discussion regarding need for an advance to jump-start our planning process for 2003/2004.

- For information, discussion and possible action.

5. Maricopa County & Arizona State Set-Aside Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Local Boards RFQ

The following agencies were contacted to determine their interest in becoming the EFSP Staffing Agency:

Arizona Community Foundation
American Red Cross
Arizona State University
Foundation for Senior Living
Maricopa Association of Governments

Discussion regarding MAG as the potential staffing agency. Potential issues for MAG and potential benefits to the community.

- For information, discussion and possible action.

6. Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) Funding

Executive Committee of the HSCC did meet via teleconference to discuss SSBG funding recommendations for the SFY 2003-2004. As the official state SSBG allocations have yet to be determined, the Executive Committee of the HSCC voted unanimously to maintain last year's SSBG funding levels. This recommendation has been forwarded to the Department of Economic Security.

- For information and discussion..

In addition, at the November 21, 2002 HSTC meeting, the SSBG Problem Statements, Service Titles and Service Intents were discussed. At that time, further discussion was postponed until the January HSCC/HSTC Advance, which was subsequently cancelled.

Jerry Hancock, DES, SSBG Community Coordinator, Office of Policy, Planning and Project Control will give an update.

7. Legislative Update

Recommendation from Eddie Sissions, Executive Director of the William E. Morris Institute for Justice is to review the Governor's Budget to get a broad view and good understanding of Human Service budget issues. Inter net site:

www.state.az.us/ospb/pdf/fy04-x-leg-comparison

- For information and discussion.

8. Call to the Public

Any member of the audience wishing to address the Committee may do so at this time. Under the requirements of the Open Meeting Law, no action may be taken at this meeting.

- For information and discussion.

9. Announcements

Please be prepared to give an update from your organization. An opportunity will be provided for members to present a brief summary of current events. The Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

- For information.

10. Adjourn

The next Human Services Technical Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 15, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. at MAG offices.

- For information and discussion.