

Long Term Recovery Planning Committee

Presentation to the Sarasota
COAD

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Committee Members

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Proposed Organization

Community Alliance
of Sarasota County

Sarasota COAD

Long Term Recovery Committee

Proposed Long Term Recovery Committee Governance



Leadership Team

- Chair and members appointed by the Sarasota COAD.
- Comprised of the five Chairs of the LTRC Teams and five at-large COAD members.
- Responsibilities include:
 - ✓ election of officers;
 - ✓ establishing and implementing policies and procedures;
 - ✓ appointing chairs of the teams;
 - ✓ final approval of all expenditures;
 - ✓ receiving and making final decisions on appeals; and
 - ✓ approving final closure of cases.

Unmet Needs Team

- Comprised of one member from the Leadership Team and seven COAD members (plus two alternates).
- Responsibilities include:
 - ✓ ensuring application documentation is complete;
 - ✓ ensuring application is being presented by an established case management agency;
 - ✓ ensuring non-duplication of services and all potential resources have been exhausted;
 - ✓ ranking eligibility of the application;
 - ✓ returning incomplete applications to the case management agency with detailed reasons for the return;
 - ✓ determining the applicant's need is immediate emergency assistance vs. long term assistance;
 - ✓ determining the amount and scope of assistance;
 - ✓ determining final action on the application and making recommendations to the Resource Development Team;
 - ✓ oversight and tracking of cases to completion; and
 - ✓ determining if the most severe needs correspond to the priorities of the LTRC and considers the impact to applicant's path to recovery.

Resource Development Team

- Comprised of one member from the Leadership Team and others from the COAD.
- Responsibilities include:
 - ✓ gathering resources to help disaster survivors achieve the Applicant Recovery Plan;
 - ✓ pooling the appropriate resources for completing the case; and,
 - ✓ forwarding the case to the appropriate team for follow up.

Construction Team

- Comprised of one member from the Leadership Team and others from the COAD.
- Responsibilities include:
 - ✓ overseeing coordination and scheduling of construction projects;
 - ✓ establishing timelines for rebuilding or construction;
 - ✓ overseeing the project and allocating funds through a Florida licensed contractor who agrees to work with volunteers who will provide much of the labor; and,
 - ✓ ensuring all construction is in compliance with all pertaining codes.

Advocacy Team

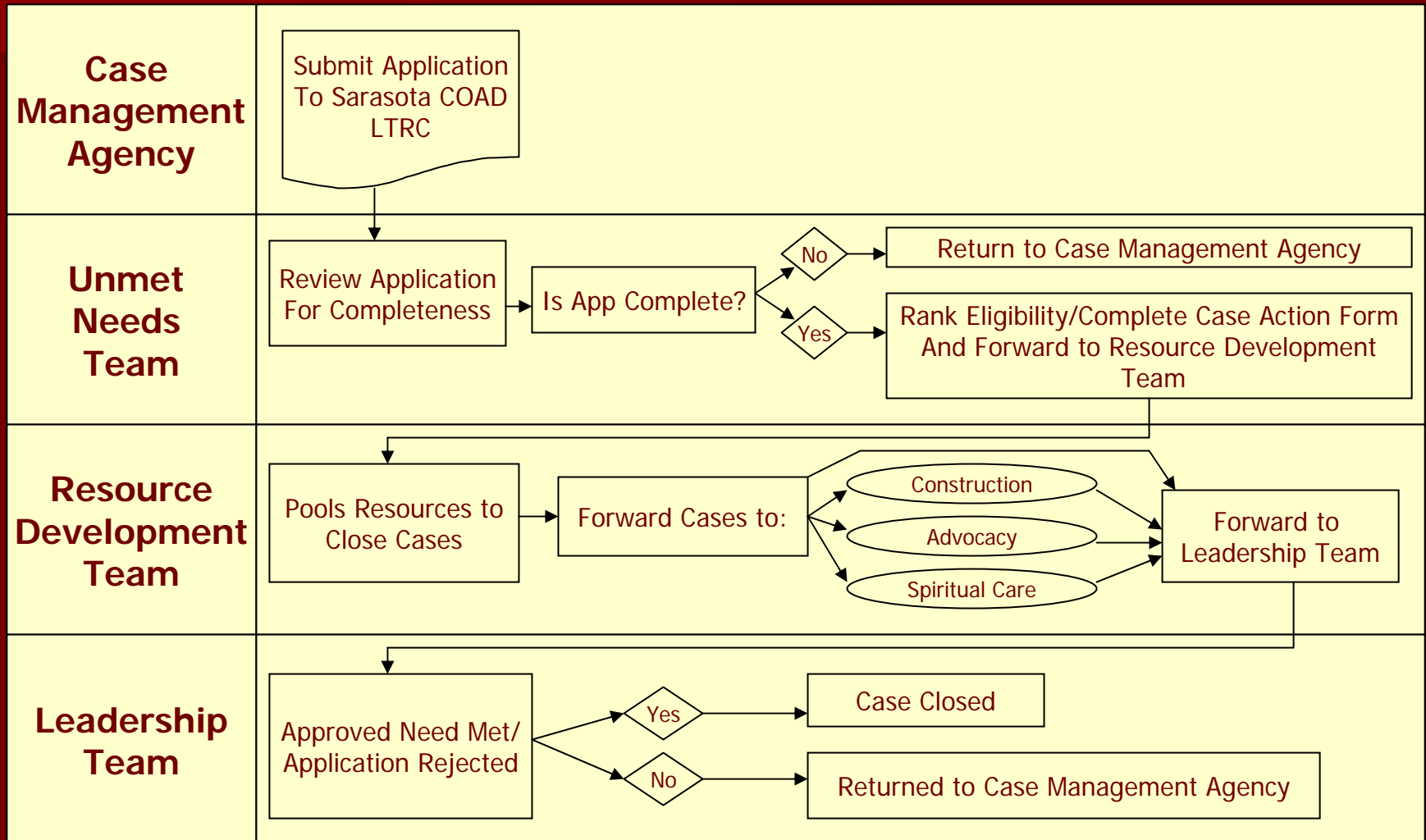
- Comprised of one member from the Leadership Team and other COAD members.

- Responsibilities include:
 - ✓ identifying systemic issues that impose barriers to service;
 - ✓ developing and implementing a plan for public education and awareness;
 - ✓ recruiting organizations to join the advocacy effort;
 - ✓ increasing communication with interfaith, health and human service organizations, governmental networks, and funding organizations;
 - ✓ opening dialogues with those affected by the disaster, particularly vulnerable populations; and,
 - ✓ developing a strategic advocacy plan to reduce the service barriers for people affected by the disaster.

Emotional and Spiritual Care Team

- Comprised of one member from the Leadership Team and other COAD members.
- Responsibilities include:
 - ✓ coordinating counseling to address the emotional and spiritual needs of survivors; and
 - ✓ providing resource lists to case management agencies to assist them in screening of legitimate counseling services.

PROPOSED APPLICATION PROCESS



Proposed Code of Ethics

- Members of the Long Term Recovery Committee will:
 - work together to collectively address the unmet needs of all who are affected by disasters;
 - strive to effectively partner with the local community to deliver appropriate care to people in need;
 - be inclusive and welcoming by establishing, promoting, and upholding standards for meeting the unmet needs to ensure that affected persons receive appropriate and respectful care services;
 - affirm our commitment that individuals and organizations will not benefit from the vulnerability and suffering of persons affected by disasters;
 - be responsible for enforcing these standards;
 - consistently communicate to our respective internal and external stakeholders how disaster-affected persons can access services;

Proposed Code of Ethics

- Members of the Long Term Recovery Committee will:
 - recuse him/herself from acting on a case which is a conflict of interest;
 - provide care in line with our capabilities;
 - offer LTRC services to all regardless of gender, age, national origin, sexual orientation, religious tradition, or political belief;
 - refer survivors to other services when it is beneficial, appropriate and accepted;
 - exhibit professional integrity, objectivity, truthfulness, honesty and diligence; and
 - provide bona-fide and reputable referrals to professional services with appropriate expertise and skill.