

I. The Alliance Board of Directors:

A. Terms:

As established by the Alliance's By-Laws, a member shall be elected for a three-year term and is limited to serving two consecutive terms. A total of two Consumers Commission Members sit on the Alliance's Board of Directors.

B. Roles and Responsibilities:

1. Set Direction

- a. Develop and maintain focus on mission and vision of ending homelessness;
- b. Establish and oversee strategic direction and implementation;
- c. Delegate authority for organization management;
- d. Articulate, safeguard, and promote the values of the organization;

2. Ensure Resources

- a. Identify human and financial resources needed; hire, support and evaluate CEO;
- b. Establish policies for acquiring resources and Board involvement;
- c. Ensure necessary resources are available;
- d. If the Board intends to identify funds to increase community programs and services, establish a competitive process to distribute the funds when they become available;

3. Provide Oversight

- a. Establish financial policies and ensure accountability;
- b. Ensure compliance with laws and ethical standards;
- c. Monitor progress and evaluate outcomes;
- d. Provide oversight of the CEO ensuring that the Chicago Plan to End Homelessness is monitored and evaluated and the HUD NOFA and other funding opportunities are appropriately administered;

II. Consumers Commission:

A. Terms:

The terms of Consumers Commission Members are two years.

B. Roles and Responsibilities:

1. Provide an experienced voice for the mission and vision of ending homelessness;
2. Undertake advocacy around ending homelessness;
3. Act as spokespeople to raise public awareness around ending homelessness;
4. Be involved in developing and implementing strategies to end homelessness, inclusive of Chicago's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness;
5. Give input on direction, funding priorities, issues, and programs around ending homelessness.

III. Advocacy Committee:

A. Terms:

The terms for Consumers Commission Members elected to the Advocacy Committee are two years. A total of three Consumers Commission Members are elected to the Advocacy Committee.

B. Roles and Responsibilities:

1. Develop the Alliance's advocacy agenda on an annual basis, for approval by the Alliance Board of Directors;
2. Oversee the activities of the Alliance in pursuing the Alliance advocacy agenda. There will be three types of Alliance advocacy activities;
 - a. Campaigns that the Alliance initiates – Requires Board approval
 - b. Campaigns in which the Alliance participates – Requires Board approval
 - c. Campaigns the Alliance signs onto or performs an one-time action – Advocacy Committee decides these by consensus

IV. Plan Advisory Committee:

A. Terms:

The terms for Consumers Commission Members elected to the Plan Advisory Committee are two years. A total of three Consumers Commission Members are elected to the Plan Advisory Committee.

B. Roles and Responsibilities:

1. Oversee the activities of the Chicago Alliance in implementing Chicago's Plan to End Homelessness, "Getting Housed, Staying Housed" in light of the Implementation Schedule; and
2. Oversee the annual work plan as it relates to the Plan to End Homelessness adopted by the Chicago Alliance Board of Directors.

V. The Chicago Planning Council on Homelessness

A. Terms:

The terms of the Chicago Planning Council on Homelessness Members are two years. A total of six Consumers Commission Members are elected to the Chicago Planning Council on Homelessness.

B. Roles and Responsibilities:

1. Establish priorities and policies, and select applicants for HUD CoC NOFA funding;
2. Oversee annual competitive process for state homeless prevention funds;
3. Oversee implementation of HMIS;
4. Analyze the needs and changes in Chicago's homeless system and how it relates to Chicago's Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness.