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## NC Balance of State CoC Steering Committee Consent Agenda and Updates

May 4, 2021

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## Section I. NC BoS CoC Steering Committee Consent Agenda

The following will be voted on at the May 4, 2021 NC BoS CoC Steering Committee meeting:

### **April 6, 2021 Steering Committee Minutes**

Available here: <https://www.ncceh.org/bos/steeringcommittee/>

\*Any Steering Committee member may request to move an item off the consent agenda to be more thoroughly considered. Any such items will be discussed as a regular agenda item at the next Steering Committee meeting.

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## Section II. Updates

### **COVID-19 Local Leadership Response Sharing Call**

**Every other Wednesday afternoon at 1:00. May meetings: May 12 and 26**

Presentation: <https://www.gotomeet.me/NCEndHomelessness>

Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 975-793-733

### **Healthier Together Summer 2021 Grants Application Deadline**

**Friday, May 14**

Learn more: [nccounts.org/funding-opportunities](http://nccounts.org/funding-opportunities)

### **Coordinated Entry Council Meeting**

**Monday, May 17, 10:00 – 11:30 A.M.**

Presentation: <https://www.gotomeet.me/NCEndHomelessness>

Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 975-793-733

### **Racial Equity Subcommittee Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 19, 9:00 – 10:00 A.M.**

Presentation: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/791696621>

Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 791-696-621

### **BoS HMIS User Meeting**

**Thursday, May 20, 1:00 - 2:30 P.M.**

Presentation: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/168443229>

Audio: (571) 317-3122 Access Code: 168-443-229

### **Funding and Performance Subcommittee Meeting**

**Thursday, May 27, 11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

Presentation: [uberconference.com/brianncceh](https://uberconference.com/brianncceh)

Audio: (401) 283-4752 Pin: 13939

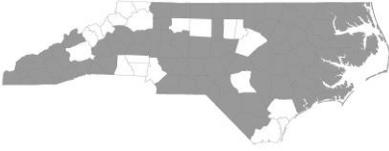
### **Bringing it Home Conference**

**Tuesday and Wednesday, June 8 and 9**

Registration: <https://nchousing.org/bringing-it-home-2021/>

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## Section III. Meeting Minutes and Supporting Materials

### Coordinated Entry Council Meeting

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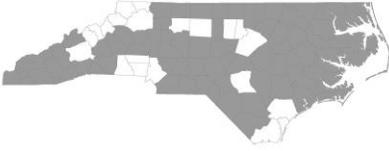
**Attendees:** Denise Bean (Region 1), Kristen Martin (Region 2), Bonnie Harper (Region 3), Michele Knapp (Region 4), Teresa Robinson (Region 5), Kim Lunsford (Region 6), Jeff Rawlings (Region 7), Linda Walling (Region 10), Lynne James (Region 12), Michele Welsh (Region 11 and 13), Cassandra Rowe (NCCADV), Brian Fike (Trillium), Samantha Hall (Region 5), Trisha Ecklund (Region 2), Peter Peedin (Region 12), Lenize Patton (Region 13)

**Staff:** Andrea Carey (NCCEH), Kevin McNamee (NCCEH), Ashley Von Hatten (NCCEH)

2022 Unsheltered PIT Count:

- 2021 Unsheltered PIT Count Planning/Efforts: In planning for the 2021 unsheltered PIT count, there were many steps, roles, trainings, and data pieces to consider. It felt a little overwhelming to coordinate the unsheltered count through the current regional CE by-name lists. As a result, NC BoS CoC decided to not complete a 2021 unsheltered PIT count and only focus its efforts on the sheltered count.
- CE Access for Unsheltered: Through internal NCCEH discussions, the focus shifted from using the regional CE by-name lists to identify unsheltered persons for only the PIT and emerged into a discussion around increasing CE access for people living unsheltered. Intentional focus on those living unsheltered has multiple benefits:
  - Strengthens existing infrastructure
  - Connects people to emergency shelter
  - Connects people to services
  - Focuses on connection to permanent housing
- PIT Regional Lead Role: With a year-round focus on CE access for people living unsheltered, the current PIT regional lead responsibilities will shift to help support this process. Although the new role will need to be approved by the NC BoS CoC Steering Committee, which will take place at the May meeting, this is how we envision the role of the PIT regional lead will look:
  - Regional point person for providers to coordinate outreach and engagement of people living unsheltered.
  - Coordinate with regional CE Lead to ensure people experiencing unsheltered homelessness are referred to the BNL
  - Facilitate with the regional CE Lead the regional plan to connect people experiencing unsheltered homelessness to the CE system and BNL





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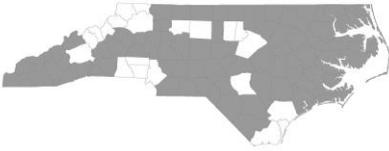
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- With the CE Lead, evaluate monthly progress on connecting people living unsheltered to the BNL
- Ensure data collection happens on all people experiencing unsheltered homelessness
- Engage all providers/organizations/stakeholders to understand the process to refer people experiencing unsheltered homelessness to the CE system and BNL
- Provide additional training to providers/organizations/stakeholders as needed to ensure understanding of the local plan.

## NC BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Access

- BoS Regional Unsheltered Access: Regions provided updates on current unsheltered and/or street outreach work.
  - Region 1: Struggles with community participation; challenges with staffing and outreach
  - Region 2: Funded street outreach staff; good relationship with local law enforcement and FEMA shelter; real-time data for by-name list
  - Region 3: Challenges with staff changes; team members doing street outreach; partnership with local law enforcement
  - Region 4: Challenges with housing stock and moving client from shelter
  - Region 5: Challenges with data collected outside of HMIS; funded street outreach project; day shelter helps with CE access
  - Region 7: Challenges with size of the region; some counties are underserved; crisis outreach taking precedent
  - Region 10: Street outreach and unsheltered access uneven throughout region; Challenges with CE, unsheltered persons, and hotel/motel vouchers
  - Region 11: Challenges with outreach; Trillium call center helps support unsheltered access
  - Region 12: Limited outreach staff (one person); working well with mental health providers; created packet of access information for unsheltered; not as much engagement due to COVID-19; engage clients with flyers/brochures
  - Region 13: Funded street outreach programs; Trillium call center helps support unsheltered access
- CE By-name List Breakdown: Andrea Carey reviewed regional information regarding 2020 PIT numbers and clients identified as unsheltered on the CE by-name list in January 2021 and March 2021 and discussed how the data will help move CE unsheltered access work forward.





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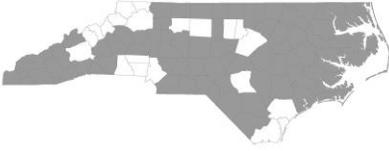
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Region	2020 PIT	Jan 2021 BNL	March 2021 BNL
Region 1	150	46	29
Region 2	132	62	119
Region 3	97	37	93
Region 4	65	10	18
Region 5	149	25	48
Region 6	4	4	12
Region 7	173	21	63
Region 8	35	0	0
Region 9	12	14	33
Region 10	102	29	62
Region 11	30	50	70
Region 12	39	14	34
Region 13	8	83	99
<b>Total</b>	996	395	680

The next CEC meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2021 and will include NC BoS CoC Regional Point In Time leads and the discussion will be focused on access for persons living unsheltered. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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## NC BoS CoC Racial Equity Subcommittee

### April 21, 2021 Minutes

**Attendees:** Deniece Cole, Manuel Hyman, Tujuanda Sanders, Mary Erwin, Tamba Chamberlain, Jeff Rawlings

**Staff:** Andrea Carey, Sarah Murray, Kevin McNamee

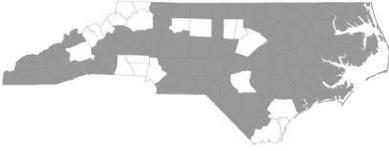
### Reflections

- Thinking about murder of George Floyd and conviction of Derek Chauvin

### Racial Equity Assessment

- Last year Andrea used data from HUD and NAEH
  - Then she and Brian drafted assessment narrative with assistance of workgroup
- This year Andrea is still working on pulling data
  - Still see disproportionality similar to last year
- 2020 Approved Areas for Action
  - Collaborative and Inclusive Dialogue and Action
  - Data Collection and Assessment
  - Training and Support
- 2021 Areas for Action- Ideas
  - Training and Support
    - Focus on scorecards? Particularly webinars/training?
    - Leverage anti-discrimination policy and standards in having conversations with agencies?
    - Sharing training resources with stakeholders?
  - Data Collection and Assessment
    - Commitment to qualitative research?
    - How to better use data we have from different sources?
  - Collaborative and Inclusive Dialogue and Action
    - Having RE subcommittee members be present across other subcommittees?
    - Ditch idea of decision making tool to guide governance in favor of above?
- Andrea will bring draft of Racial Equity Assessment to whole subcommittee when able





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## **Prioritization Work Group**

- Tasked with taking a critical look at CE and the VI-SPDAT
- Started by looking at data on access to CE vs Back@Home (through 211)
  - 211 appears to be more accessible than tradition CE projects for people of color
  - Ethnicity (Hispanic/Latinx) missing from the data due to HUD's definitions
  - For RRH in Back@Home, see a good representation of people of color in higher priority groups
    - Similar distribution for Homeless Prevention clients

## **Bringing It Home Conference**

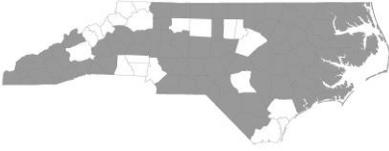
- Annual ESG conference- free this year!
- Link: <https://nchousing.org/bringing-it-home-2021/>
- Kevin, Jeff, and Dr. Penny asked to reprise their NAEH presentation on the BoS RE subcommittee's work
  - C4 will also be part of the presentation

## **Next Meeting**

5/19/21 at 9:00AM

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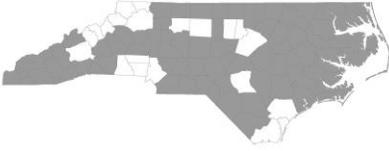
**Members Present:** Melissa McKeown, Amy Modlin, Jane Earnest

**NCCEH Staff Present:** Brian Alexander

### Minutes:

- Brian welcomed members and introduced the agenda for the meeting.
- Brian provided an overview of HMIS Recruitment activities from regional reports due on April 15th
  - 5 regions reported recruitment activities.
    - Regions 1, 2, 6, 12, and 13 had some activity in the first month.
      - Region 1: HERE in Jackson County (called, awaiting a return call)
      - Region 2: Hendersonville Rescue Mission (not interested in joining)
      - Region 6: No outreach this month; working on outreach plans
      - Region 12: Zion Shelter and Open Door Community (both interested but not ready, follow-up needed)
      - Region 13: Family Promise Carteret and Hope Recovery Homes (called, awaiting a return call); Second Chance (not interested in joining)
    - FPS members will do follow-up calls/emails with RLAs that did not report. Brian will send a list of assignments and contact information.
    - Brian will do follow-up in reporting regions where there are some issues or more information needed.
    - Amy suggested, and members agreed, it would be a good idea to have a follow-up call with RLAs in May to do peer sharing. Brian will look at scheduling a call.
- Brian gave an update on the current status of the FY2021 CoC Funding Priorities. Prior to the meeting, NCCEH emailed an updated draft that was inclusive of feedback from members from the February meeting and member feedback after the initial draft was emailed.
  - Minor changes were made to the FY2020 CoC Funding Priorities document:
    - Dates
    - Minor word updates without substantive changes
    - Consideration of pandemic when making decisions regarding re-allocations
    - New Projects Grid updated:
      - Used 2020 Point-in-Time count data
      - Used FY2020 CoC awards to update funding totals and number of beds per region





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- Added number of projects to the chart in the Appendix
- Brian mentioned Sarah Lancaster's questions about the process for determining whether a project is reallocated. He explained that the PRC asks for more information about what other projects exist in the region, the existing projects' ability to absorb households that need continuing support, spending information, and the ability to serve more households. Staff provide an overview of current regional coverage and implications for reallocating a portion or all of a projects funding.
- Brian asked if other changes needed to be considered. Members had none.
- Melissa motioned to approve the draft FY2021 CoC Funding Priorities document for recommendation to the Steering Committee for approval. Amy seconded. All in favor. Motion was passed by the subcommittee.
- Brian explained the next steps:
  - Staff will finalize the FY2021 CoC Funding Priorities draft document and post to the Steering Committee page for review.
  - Steering Committee members will consider the document for approval.
  - Staff will post the final approved document to the CoC Application page.
- Brian gave an update on the NC Balance of State CoC Steering Committee Dashboard project.
  - Andrea has finished the QA process on the changes that WellSky made to update the CSV export.
  - ICA has the criteria for the dashboard and construction is underway.
  - Andrea will be meeting with ICA tomorrow for troubleshooting and a progress report.
  - If all goes well, we may have a draft dashboard for the FPS to review at the May 2021 meeting.
- Next month's meeting will be Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 11 AM.

