Northeastern Homeless Coalition Region 11 Committee Meeting Minutes October 28, 2020

## **Present:**

Teresa Forward Michelle Welsh Lakitra Cluade Keisha Darden Quanisha Williams Tammy Kittrell Chenelle Riddick Char Penn Carolyn Anderson Latori Gregory Patricia Holley Monica Feil

## **Minutes**

Michelle Welsh opened the meeting. Nine new referrals were discussed most were approved for Rapid Rehousing and an EIC Housing Voucher Application. The by-name list was reviewed and updated.

Potential sources of services for families in need of assistance with such things as medication and electric bills were discussed. Many of the present programs, HOPE and CSBG CARES offer assistance strictly for COVID related emergencies. Families trying to apply through the 211 line are encouraged to use the online application. The present wait time online by phone is extensive.

The committee also discussed the importance of families utilizing the Housing Voucher once Rapid Rehousing has them housed and helped with initial expenses. EIC reports a low number are responding to their letters regarding a Housing Choice Voucher Application. RCCDC and EIC will continue to coordinate their efforts.

The present number of persons waiting to be case conferenced is high. The committee therefore decided to hold meetings on November 4<sup>th</sup>, November 12<sup>th</sup>, and November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020. No meeting will be held the last Wednesday of November due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.