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## Davie-Iredell-Stokes-Surry-Yadkin (DISSY) Regional Committee

**Meeting Minutes** 

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 - 10:00 AM

Location: Partners Behavioral Health, 200 Elkin Business Park Dr. Elkin, N.C. 28621

## Those present were:

Cynthia Cothren - The Ark
Mary Boyles - Shepherd's House
Joshua Edwards - Shepherd's House
Debbie Owen - Fifth Street Ministries, DISSY Rapid Rehousing Coordinator
Michele Knapp - Fifth Street Ministries
Bonnie Harper - GHCCM
Janet Carlton - Goodwill/ Career Connections Elkin
Christien Armour - Goodwill SSVF NWNC
Alan Bagshaw - Easter Seals ACT
Kim Crawford - ESG Homeless Program Coordinator

Michele called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The March minutes was approved by consensus. She introduced Kim Crawford, ESG Homeless Program Coordinator to the group.

We then received updates from the following agencies that provide services to the homeless within the five county region:

- *Diakonos, Inc. dba Fifth Street Ministries* Served 121 individuals and 8 families last month. Currently, there are 4 families in the family area. There are 2 family rooms currently available. My Sister's House, battered women's shelter, served 17 women and 14 children last month. HOMe of Mooresville has 3 family rooms which are currently full. The Veteran's Transitional Housing Program is also to capacity. All services offered by Fifth Street Ministries are available to anyone within the five county region.
- **DISSY Rapid Rehousing** -There are currently 6 families in housing. All families except one have vehicles and are employed. One family will graduate the end of April. There are current openings in the program. Please send in the VISPDAT before filling out the full application. Rapid Re-Housing is also open to individuals on a case by case basis.
- **The Ark** They currently have one family room open as well as room for singles. Assisted 9 adults and 8 children last month. One client is pursuing her CNA while at the ARK. The ARK serves families and single women who are not victims of domestic violence.
- **Shepherd's House** Currently has one family room open. Served 43 clients year to date. Turned away 121 due to lack of space. Plans to break ground in the fall for a new shelter. This will be part of an overall plan to increase options for the homeless in the Mt. Airy area.

- Goodwill NWNC SSVF- Accepting referrals for Rapid Re-Housing and Prevention.
- *Easter Seals* The ACT team is open for referrals.
- **GHCCM** There are no openings at this time. Currently has 34 clients in the program.
- *Goodwill Elkin* Has program on Wednesdays for 16-24 year olds called Next Gen. It provides employment and education assistance and other resources. They also have WIA money available.
- *ESG Coordinato*r- Presented overview on the ESG Program, which included requirements for ESG funding. Written standards, coordinated entry, and other specifics were also discussed.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. at Partners BHC, Elkin, NC 28621.

Respectfully submitted, Deborah W. Owen