

WNC HOMELESS COALITION

Regular Meetings -2nd Thursday of the month

11/10/2022 10:00 am -11:00 am

Referral and Monitoring Meeting/RRH Selection Committee 11:00-12:00 pm

Minutes

INTRODUCTIONS

Name Agency

- 1. Derek Lancour Vaya Health
- 2. Lori Watts Vaya Health
- 3. Veronica Murphy REACH of Macon
- 4. Jennifer Turner-Lynn- REACH of Macon (phone)
- 5. Judith Alvarado REACH of Clay
- 6. Michelle Bentley REACH of Clay
- 7. Gretta Worley HERE in Jackson County
- 8. Stephanie Almeida: Smoky Mountain Harm Reduction
- 9. Kenett Melgar Blue Ridge Health
- 10. Zoe Mollencop Blue Ridge Health (Haywood/Jackson Street Outreach)
- 11. Michael Spurgin Blue Ridge Health (Haywood/Jackson Street Outreach)
- 12. Daniel Ferreira Four Square Community Action
- 13. Rhonda Blanton Community Resources of Macon
- 14. Elena Keller Eleanor Health Foundation, Healthy Opportunity Pilot (HOP)
- 15. Monica Frizzell DHHS Targeted Unit Program

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- Review & Approval of last month' Minutes
 - **Greta Worley** *motioned,* **Veronica Murphy** *seconded, no further discussion, all in favor, no one was opposed, the motion carries*
- Balance of State Steering Committee Update (Derek Lancour)
 - Steering Committee updates and documents can be found at https://www.ncceh.org/bosminutes/
 - Reviewed and defined Governance Charter
 - Considering the following updates: language, more involvement from people with lived experience, new PIT/HIC data collection and procedures, new dates with updated attachments
 - Currently in process of drafting CoC Code of Conduct
 - Plan to email draft about 1 week prior to BoS Steering Committee meeting in December
 - Reviewed CoC Subcommittees:
 - Coordinated Entry Council:
 - Meets 3rd Monday of the month at 10 am

- Veteran Subcommittee
 - Recruiting new members and plan to resume meeting in January 2023
 - Recruiting members who can partake in planning and implementation of goals, and who can also educate CoC about veteran homelessness
- Funding and Performance Subcommittee
 - Subcommittee has been in place 3 years now
 - Meets 4th Tuesday of the month at 11 am
 - Email <u>brian@ncceh.org</u> if interested
- Scorecard Subcommittee
 - Includes 1 representative for each region and at large members
 - Role to be selected during 1st quarter of each year
 - Please consider if you or someone you work with would be interested in this role. We will work to identify Region 1's Rep in the coming months
 - Subcommittee meets 2nd quarter of the year for a total of 2-3 meetings
- Project Review Committee
 - Includes Regional Representatives and at large members
 - Intended to review and score project applications
 - They meet during summer months (timeline contingent on ESG RFA and CoC NOFO)
 - Regions elect their representatives during 4th quarter of the year
 - Any interested parties?
- Lived Expertise Advisory Council (LEAC)
 - Meets 3rd Friday of each month at noon
 - Interested stakeholders can email <u>laurel.mcnamee@ncceh.org</u>
 - They are focused on recruiting people located in the more Eastern parts of the state due to strong representation already involved for WNC
- Racial Equity Subcommittee
 - Include: Racial Equity Dialogue Series, Equity Core Team, Policies/Procedures
 - Interested parties can email <u>laurel.mcnamee@ncceh.org</u>
- Nominations Committee
 - Comprised of at large members
 - Meets 4th quarter of the year
 - Nominations have already been selected and working towards bringing slate to December BoS Steering Committee
- NC BoS Workforce Development
 - Information about people experiencing homelessness and their ability to increase their income
 - Written partnership agreements

- Promote partnerships with private employers
 - Local education and/or training organizations
 - Secure written agreements
 - Utilizes CE Systems and Workforce Development Boards as springboards for integration
 - Work to connect homeless with employment opportunities
 - Connect homeless in CE to workforce hubs
- o 2023 PIT/HIC
 - Unsheltered = PIT only
 - Sheltered (ES and TH) = both PIT/HIC
 - Permanent housing (RRH, PSH, OPH) = HIC only
 - Beds and units: sheltered = HIC only
 - Beds and units: Permanent housing = HIC only
 - OPH: Other Permanent Housing
 - PIT night is 1/25/23
 - Data Collection
 - Unsheltered
 - HMIS CE; PIT night 1/25/23, service-based count is 1/26/23 through 2/1/23
 - Sheltered
 - HMIS (ES and TH); HMIS reports, HMIS Entries and Corrections is 1/26/23 through 1/31/23; submit HMIS reports
 - 0 Non-HMIS (ES and TH); Counting Us App; PIT night 1/25/23
 - PIT/HIC timeline
 - Planning (Oct-Dec)
 - Project planning, training, finalize tools
 - Action (1/25/23-2/1/23)
 - Data collection, reporting to NCCEH
 - Submission (Feb-April)
 - o Confirm/Clean data, resolve all errors, enter into HDX
 - Wrap Up (April-May)
 - Updates to HMIS, analysis
 - PIT roles
 - Unsheltered Access Coordinator (UAC)
 - Elected position for each region
 - o Data collection and entry to unsheltered homeless
 - Any interested parties?
 - ES, TH, RRH, PSH, OPH agency staff
 - o Confirm point of contact at NCCEH (Laurel McNamee)
 - Counting Us App training (1/4/23 and 1/11/23)

- awaiting clarification from BoS about these 2 trainings
- o HMIS training (1/10/23)
- NCCEH staff
 - Unsheltered Access Training and Materials
 - o https://ncceh.org/bos/coordinatedentry/
- Concluded Steering Committee with meetings and reminders
- Coordinated Entry Update (Gretta Worley)
 - Referral and Monitoring Meeting (RAMM) Meeting following Western NC Homeless Coalition (Region 1)
 - 2nd November RAMM meeting is rescheduled to Tuesday November 22, 2022, at 11 AM due to Thanksgiving Holiday on November 24, 2022
- Rapid Rehousing Update (Gretta Worley)
 - Since July'22 to Nov 10, 2022, 32 individuals served (22 Adults, 10 Children), 14 Households Housed (18 Adults, 7 Children)
 - Awarded \$55,000 for 2022; \$30,129.98 spent; \$24,870.02 to spend by 12/31/22
- Back@Home Update (Gretta Worley)
 - Final reports submitted
- Permanent Supportive Housing Update (Derek Lancour)
 - 41 households in total (added 1 new household but still below grant minimum)
 - 72 persons served in total
 - 57 adults
 - 15 children
 - o 36 currently housed
 - 5 looking for housing (Haywood, Jackson, Graham, Macon, and Clay)
 - Spending through 5 months of grant cycle is just over 30% but minimum goal would be 37.5%
- Agency Report Outs
 - Smoky Mountain Harm Reduction Stephanie shared about Recovery Coach Academy (<u>https://addictionrecoverytraining.org/recovery-coach-academy/</u>); Funding for 24 slots that will pay for \$850 registration per person, workbook \$50; Application to be released soon, 12/5 12/9, 30 CEU's; Registration link will be posted on our Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/SmokyMountainHarmReduction</u>; For more information, contact Stephanie at <u>stephanie@radicalloveheals.org</u>
 - Blue Ridge Health Kenett shared that they are increasing workforce peer support specialists; pay for apprenticeships to be certified; call out to organizations to increase Peer Support Specialist workforce capacity; Email Kenett (<u>kmelgar@brchs.com</u>) to discuss further

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

- WNCHC Leadership roles open and need to be voted on
 - 1 year commitment
 - Review Subcommittees and contact info if interested parties would like to consider joining
 - BoS has asked that those approved by Regional Committee be submitted to BoS by 11/15
 - Regional Lead:
 - Derek Lancour agreed to serve again in 2023
 - Lori made motion, Stephanie seconded, all in favor, no one opposed, motion carries
 - Alternate Regional Lead:
 - Kenett Melgar agreed to serve again in 2023
 - Derek made motion, Greta seconded, all in favor, no one opposed, motion carries
 - Webmaster possible colleague from 4 Square to Daniel Ferreira; meets Mon 11/14 to determine further Deferred to December meeting
 - Unsheltered Access Coordinator still vacant interested parties not in attendance at meeting, stressed importance of role needing to be filled before Jan PIT – Deferred to December meeting
 - Duties: Unsheltered Contact, Coordinates with CE Lead, engages with providers
 / stakeholders
 - Roles:
 - Facilitates data collection and entry so people experiencing unsheltered homelessness can access resources;
 - Organizes volunteers for verification surveys night-of or immediately after PIT night;
 - Leads collection, entry, and verification of data for PIT night 1/25/2023
 - Project Review Committee Representative for Region 1:
 - Monica Frizzell agreed to serve again in 2023
 - Lori made motion, Kennett seconded, all in favor, no one opposed, motion carries
 - Coordinated Entry Lead Gretta Worley HERE in Jackson Funded through BoS SSO-CE grant to Region 1

• REACH of Macon new RRH introduction and program information

- o Jennifer Turner-Lynn, Assistant Director
- Veronica Murphy,
- Website: <u>www.reachofmaconcounty.org</u>
- discussed new funding opportunity REACH of Macon has recently received from BoS Grantee NCCADV, NC Coalition Against Domestic Violence, <u>https://nccadv.org/</u>, Safe at Home RRH Imitative – HUD CoC 2021 Award
- REACH of Macon will be administering grant for persons in DV shelter in Macon, not regional;

- Starts December 1st, 2022;
- may be able to open to other areas later;
- REACH of Macon will be presenting persons to Coordinated Entry by name list but will keep administrative paperwork.

NEXT RAMM MEETING – Rescheduled to Tuesday November 22, 2022, at 11 AM due to Thanksgiving Holiday on November 24, 2022

NEXT BoS Steering Committee MEETING – Tuesday, December 2, 2022, at 10:30 AM

NEXT COALITION MEETING – Thursday, December 8, 2022, at 10 AM