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Coordinated Entry Council Meeting May 15, 2023

Attendees

Coordinated Entry Regional Leadership: Gretta Worley (Region 1); Rachelle Dugan (Region 2); Michele Knapp (Region 4); Teresa Robinson (Region 5); Andrea Wiley (Region 6); Caty Martin (Region 7); Tameka Joyner (Region 9); John Apol (Region 10); Michele Welsh (Regions 11 & 13); Lynne James (Region 12)

Statewide Representatives: Fredrika Murrill; Cassie Rowe; Angela Harper King

NCCEH staff and other participants: Bonnie Harper; Allie Card; Jenny Simmons; Laurel McNamee; Ashley Von Hatten

ESG Competition and CE Leadership

Laurel McNamee provided an overview of the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) competition, stating the purpose of the assistance is to rapidly rehouse persons who are currently experiencing homelessness, assist in meeting the costs of operating emergency shelters, and decrease homelessness through the provision of preventive programs and activities. The five eligible components under ESG are Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Rapid Rehousing, Homelessness Prevention, and HMIS.

A process-oriented webinar will be held on Thursday, June 1, 2023, from 2 pm – 3:30 pm for Regional Leadership. The webinar will cover the key components and changes to this year's competition. The Regional Committee will be required to provide feedback on applicant participation. The Regional Prioritization Form is an opportunity for Regional Committees to provide input on the applicants in their region applying for ESG funding and notify NCCEH staff and the Project Review Committee if any agency does not participate in Regional Committee and/or case conferencing meetings. The Regional Prioritization Form will be sent out on July 13, 2023 and is due back by close of business on July 27, 2023.

Unsheltered PIT Update/Next Steps

Ashley Von Hatten provided an update on Unsheltered PIT data, as of April 28, 2023. 1314 persons have been identified as living unsheltered on the night of 1/25/2023, with all BoS regions confirming their final numbers. As a reminder, the goal of the Unsheltered Access Coordinator (UAC) is not to count unsheltered households on the night of PIT but to ensure unsheltered households are connected to coordinated entry, services, and permanent housing. CE leads should encourage agencies to follow up with clients living unsheltered and working to get the households assessed and connected to resources. If contact cannot be made after 90 days, persons should be exited from the appropriate HMIS project(s).

UAC terms are May through April and regions should elect the most appropriate person for this role. Regions 3, 5, 6, 8, and 11 still need to identify a UAC. Please submit UAC information through

[Smartsheet](#). The goal of UACs is to ensure all people living unsheltered are connected to services, build trusting relationships, collect contact information for follow-up, assess and refer to the by-name list, and refer to emergency shelter when possible.

2023 CE Evaluation Reminders

Ashley provided a reminder about the 2023 CE Evaluation process, as HUD requires CoCs to solicit feedback at least annually from participating projects and from households that participated in CE during that time period. The CoC began its evaluation process on April 3, 2023. The timeframe for PSH surveys is April 3, 2023, through May 26, 2023. Timeframe for Shelter and/or Street Outreach is May 15, 2023, through May 26, 2023. The Shelter and/or Street Outreach timeframe opened today and all ESG grantees received an email with this information. As a reminder, all clients housed by a rapid rehousing program in the CoC must receive the CE evaluation survey within 30 days (before or after) they are housed.

Updates & Reminders

The June CEC meeting was scheduled for June 19, 2023 (Juneteenth) and has been rescheduled for June 26, 2023. The July CEC meeting is scheduled for July 17, 2023, which overlaps with the NAEH conference and will be cancelled.

