

Finding Housing Solutions for the Homeless

Pitt County Continuum of Care

Operating Principles

Mission:

To provide resources and leadership to end homelessness throughout Pitt County by providing equal access to affordable housing, adequate health care, employment, and education .

Vision:

To build a community where homelessness does not exist within the next ten years.

The Pitt County Continuum of Care (CoC) is a coordinated effort by representatives from various groups in Pitt County to create a comprehensive system of care for homeless individuals and families, and for those at risk of homelessness. The CoC identifies critical needs and gaps in services, identifies problems and possible solutions, and encourages coordination between public and private provider organizations. The CoC is an open group, encouraging diversification from as many sectors as possible in its membership.

In order to more effectively work together, the following operating principles have been adopted by the Continuum of Care:

- The CoC meets **monthly** at a place and time determined by the group. More frequent meetings may be called as necessary by the chair of the CoC.
- To be considered a voting member of the CoC, an agency/organization/sector must have attended a **minimum of three (3)** regular or specially-called CoC meetings within a 12 month period (annually?)
- Each agency/organization/sector represented shall have **one (1) voting representative**. In situations where a possible conflict of interest exists (i.e. voting on applications for funding, etc.) the agency representative shall abstain from voting.
- For the purpose of conducting business, a **quorum** shall be a minimum of **five(5)** voting members.
- The **chair** of the CoC shall be elected by the voting members, and shall serve for a term of **one (1) year**.
- All voting members of the CoC shall serve on at least **one (1)** sub-committee of the CoC. Voting members are also encourage to serve on Balance of State committees to represent the CoC.
- **To be eligible to submit an application for funding in any funding cycle an organization/agency representative must have attended a minimum of seventy-five percent (75%) of the meetings in the previous 12 months. This includes submitting an application to pay for CHIN End User Fees.**