Wilson-Greene BoS CoC Regional Committee Meeting Minutes

Location: The Wesley Shelter, Wilson, North Carolina

Date: August 19, 2014

Attending:

Howard Anthony – Wilson County DSS

Candice Rountree – Wilson County DSS

Mary Mallory – Wilson County DSS

Lynne White – The Wesley Shelter

Donna Pridgen – The Wesley Shelter

Angela Ellis – Greene County DSS

Linda Walling – Hope Station

Valinda Belton – Wilson Housing Authority

Claudia Baker – Veterans Residential Services

LaTasha McNair – Eastpointe

Elvis Townsend - Landlord

Lisa Council – Wilson County

Lee Parker – Green lamp

Twala Coleman – Family Endeavors

Jill Tarleton – Wilson County Health Department

* **Welcome/Introductions:**
* **Updates from Balance of State**

ESG Application Update: The State ESG Office released the application on July 30; applications are due on September 3. Application materials are available on the NCCEH website: <http://www.ncceh.org/esgapplication/>

Candice noted that the BoS wanted to conduct Webinars but this has not occurred as of this date. The application materials have been changed with a new date of September 8, 2014. $62,101.00 is in the grant for Wilson-Greene County ESG Grant. Candice is asking for volunteers for a subcommittee to conduct reviews of local project and regional applications. The group discussed the logistics and time involved with processing ESG work. The CHIN data system administrative agency possibly may be moving/changing to an organization in Michigan. This has not been approved by Martha Ore, BoS/NC yet.

Lee Parker noted that Green Lamp is interested in being a referral point. Donna Pridgen, Jill Tarleton and Candice will make up the sub-committee to review project and Regional application. The only applicant who expressed an interest in a project application is Hope Station. Elvis from Wilson Community Health Center said he talked it over with his administration and they wanted to act as a referral agency.

CoC Application Update: NC BoS staff continue to work on the preliminary application requirements - the Grant Inventory Worksheet and CoC Registration.
New project applicants, please complete the [CoC Intent to Apply](https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form?EQBCT=55fdc3ad1e024fc9a841d5c76aa4f556) (renewal projects do not need to do this). Regional Committees - please appoint representatives to the Scorecard and Project Review Committees and email contact info to bos@ncceh.org.

Howard Anthony volunteered to be our local rep for the Project Review Committee. Mary Mallory volunteered to be the rep for the SCORECARD committee.

Coordinated Assessment: The Steering Committee approved the final version of the NC BoS Coordinated Assessment toolkit: <http://www.ncceh.org/files/4622/>
NC BoS staff are planning 2-day Coordinated Assessment workshops in Raleigh for this fall (September/October), we will be in touch with more details in the coming weeks.

HMIS RFP: The CHIN Governance Committee chose Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness as the new HMIS administrative agency for North Carolina. This decision needs to be ratified by CoCs but there are questions about the proposal budget, staffing and structure. BoS CHIN Governance Reps will have more information and a recommendation in September.

PSH Subcommittee - The date of this meeting has been moved from Aug 11 to Monday Aug 18, 10:30 -11:30 a.m. Register on the NCCEH website: <http://www.ncceh.org/events/749/>

* **Landlord/Community Partner Breakfast:** Candice discussed the logistics and plan for our upcoming breakfast. Valinda, Jill, Tasha and Candice reviewed the recent survey they created. It will be sent out to landlords in the near future with a tentative time/date in October. One of the questions is how and what can we all do to help people to become better more capable tenants. The group discussed the possibility of doing some outreach in addition to the survey/invitation.
* **CoC Committee Member Updates:**

Candice/WCDSS talked about the WCDSS Strengthening Families Program that started on August 5th. Next class is tonight and we are looking for referrals to this program.

Lynn/Wesley Shelter talked about their statistical report noting the numbers served. She noted that the ESG program was vital to the Wesley Shelter being able to fully services and help their customers. Lynn added that their new Attorney is being utilized to a great extent. Donna informed everyone that the recent sexual assault training was a success with many participants and the community forum saw 46 people attending.

Mary Mallory/WCDSS noted that the Work First plan is being worked on at this time. She noted that the agency is focusing more on the cliff effect when people are not taking advantage of raises because they worry about losing benefits. WCDSS is starting with child subsidy.

Claudia with Veterans Residential Services noted that their office has been very busy with many people needingfood and clothing.

Linda Walling with the Hope Station noted that their Shelter Manager is retiring this fall thus they are taking a new look at their shelter management program. They did not receive the Veterans Services Grant but they are moving forward to help as many people as possible.

Valinda with the WHA noted that their waiting list is closed again with a possible 2-year wait at this time. They are seeing a flood of applications thus many people. The Anthony Street Apartments are open after being offered to city/county employees. There will not be subsidies for this unites with most unites being 2-bedrooms. There are not HUD funds available for these units. $450 (2-bed), $550 & 3-bed). The senior building is almost ready and is being coordinated by another company (Rent $421-431) and are 1-bed units for people 62 years and older.

**Next Meeting will be held on September 16, 2014 10:00a.m. At The Wesley Shelter**