# Northeastern Homeless Coalition - Region 11 Committee Meeting

River City Community Development 501 East Main Street Elizabeth City, NC 27909

September 22, 2017 – 10:00am

#### **Attendance**

Agency	Representative(s)
Hertford County DSS	Glenda Simmons
	Avis Murphy
*Hertford County Public Health Authority	Angel Sease Brown
Trillium Health Resources	Lakitra Claude
	Melissa Eastwood
Roanoke-Chowan Community Health Center	Nicole Boone
Salvation Army	Julie Igleheart
River City Community Development Corporation	Angie Wills
	Ray Scaffa

<sup>\*</sup>Called into the meeting

#### Minutes

### Call to Order

• The meeting was called to order by Nicole Boone.

#### Roll Call and Review of Agenda

Those present went around the room and introduced themselves. Also, the items on the
agenda were reviewed and the floor was opened for additional items to be added to the
agenda, there were none. A motion was made to approve the agenda and it was
seconded.

#### **Review and Approve Minutes of Last Meeting**

• The committee reviewed the minutes from the last meeting (July 25, 2017). There were no corrections to be made. A motion was made to accept and approve the minutes of the last meeting and it was seconded.

## **Review of the ESG Funding Process** - (Nicole Boone and Melissa Eastwood)

- The ESG office has released the ESG Application for the 2017-18 Fiscal year. The ESG Office has been able to obtain 100% matching funds for this year.
- Applications are due to Kim Crawford by 5pm, October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- ESG funds can be used for emergency shelters (operation and services) and rapid rehousing.

- Those that apply for the ESG funds must participate in the regional committee meeting, staff casing and the VI-SPDAT will have to be done (score 4 − 7 to receive rapid rehousing).
- The committee could get creative and use some of the funds for hotel vouchers
- A subcommittee will have to be formed to review the applications of the agencies that plan to apply for ESG funding. No one that is applying can sit on the review committee.
- Rapid Re-housing money can be used towards security deposits, utility deposits and up to 3 months of rent. Volunteers of America have already applied for rapid re-housing for the region.
- \$99,687 has been allotted to Region 11. No more than 60% (\$59,812) of the funds can be used for Emergency Response Services (street outreach and emergency shelter). While there is a maximum percent for Emergency services, there is no maximum for housing stability 40% (39,875) Rapid Re-housing.
- All applications are due to Nicole by 5pm, October 20<sup>th</sup>. The subcommittee will meet on October 23<sup>rd</sup> to review the applications (time and location TBD). The final applications are due to Kim Crawford by 5pm, October 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Development of Community Awareness of ESG Funds Availability**

- River City CDC, The Salvation Army and Hertford County DSS plan to apply for ESG funding.
- Letters along with the application will be sent to the following agencies on Monday encouraging them to apply for the ESG funds: Loving Light Community Outreach, Harbor of Hope, Economic Improvement Council, Chowan Area Development Association, Barnabas House and Albemarle Hopeline.

#### **Miscellaneous Items**

- The Salvation Army has a program called "The Pathway to Hope". The program provides services to families with children who desire to break the cycle of crisis and vulnerability that repeats generation after generation. The program will assist by helping families overcome challenges like unemployment, unstable housing, and lack of education in an effort to assist the family achieve self-sufficiency. If you know someone that may qualify for the program, please contact Julie Igleheart at the Salvation Army Julie.igleheart@uss.salvationarmy.org
- There are two shelters in the Elizabeth City area that are ran by the city. There is one for women and children on Herrington Road and the one houses men and is located on Road Street. For more information on the shelters (i.e. location, duration of stay, etc. please contact the City of Elizabeth (252) 338-3981.
- River City CDC is currently in the process of building a homeless shelter that houses the Youth Build participants. The shelter should be completed in a couple of months and will be gender specific and can house 5 people at a time. The group visited the home after the meeting.

# **Adjournment**

• It was motioned that the meeting be adjourned and it was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30am and the next meeting is scheduled for 10:00am on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at the Ahoskie Housing Authority. There will be a special meeting on October 23<sup>rd</sup> to review ESG applications. The time and location will be announced at a later date.

Submitted by:

Lakitra Claude

Secretary for Northeastern Homeless Coalition - Region 11