Steering Committee Meeting
June 2, 2020
10:30 AM
Welcome

Reminders

Your line is muted.
We will unmute the line during Q&A pauses.

The chat box is available to use anytime.
Roll Call

• We will conduct Roll Call for Regional Leads and large members to confirm quorum for voting.

• All participants must enter their full names, so we can document their participation in the minutes.
Agenda
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• Consent Agenda
• COVID-19 Response
• CoC Competition Updates
• Burlington Development Corporation Grant Transfer
• Racial Equity Subcommittee Update
• Upcoming Meetings & Reminders
Review & approve consent agenda

Consent agenda:
https://www.ncceh.org/bos/steeringcommittee/

- The consent agenda was sent to the Steering Committee prior to the meeting as part of a board packet.
- The consent agenda will be voted on as a whole at the beginning of each meeting.
- Steering Committee members may request to remove an item from the consent agenda for additional discussion.

Changes or discussion?
COVID-19 Pandemic Response
ICCHP

The statewide response is being coordinated by the North Carolina Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs.

Goal

Develop a COVID-19 response and recovery plan related to those who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity. The team will develop an actionable, comprehensive plan to ensure homelessness, due to or exacerbated by COVID-19, is prevented, or if it can’t be prevented, it is rare, brief, and one-time only.

Define needed activity, create a plan to operationalize, identify budget needs.
Housing Stability: Back@Home Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention

- Housing Navigation Services – assistance to find and move into housing
- Financial Assistance – financial support for short-term rental assistance (up to 24 months)
- Case Management Services – services to help families stabilize in housing
Housing Stability: Safe@Home Eviction Prevention

Quick, low-barrier financial assistance:

- Financial Assistance – financial support for short-term rental assistance (up to 3 months)
- Case Management Services – services to help families stabilize in housing

Eligibility:

- Low or Very Low Income: at or below 80% Area Median Income
- In rental housing with current lease and facing imminent risk of eviction
- Lacks resources or support networks to remain in housing
Rehousing Agency Procurement

- Separate from Crisis Response Procurement
- Statewide coverage
- RFA or other application
- Back@Home and Safe@Home
  - Procurement may be done separately if timing or funding does not allow for one process for both programs
- Goal launch: July 2020*
CE systems are adjusting due to COVID

• Prioritizing people who are vulnerable to COVID’s effects or can’t socially distance safely, including:
  • People over 62, people with underlying medical conditions
  • People fleeing violence

• CE systems will adjust more when Back@Home resources come online.
CoC Competition Updates
The COVID-19 pandemic will impact the FY20 CoC competition. 

Efforts underway to cancel the FY20 CoC competition
• Renewal grantees could be renewed at FY19 awards levels with adjustments for FMR
• Unknown what happens with new allocated $$$

If not canceled, the competition will need to be streamlined!
• Proposed scorecard changes
• Continue Intent to Apply process
• All other work stopped until more available information
Intent to Apply form mandatory for all agencies applying for new CoC funds

Intent to Apply form have been posted to the NCCEH website at: https://www.ncceh.org/bos/currentcocapplication/

- Any agency wanting to apply for a new CoC project in the FY20 competition is required to submit a form.
- Asks for preliminary information about proposed project(s)
- NCCEH staff will review and follow-up with the agency to discuss
  - NOTE: Due to COVID-19 response, we will wait to schedule calls until we receive more information about the future of the competition.

Rolling-basis, non-binding
Deadline: 2 weeks after NOFA release (if competition not canceled)
The Steering Committee approved FY20 CoC Funding Priorities.

All renewal and new applicants should review this year’s CoC Funding Priorities document to understand current priorities and eligible project components.

- The updated document can be found on the NCCEH website: https://bit.ly/2xKXtnL
Scorecard Committee has met several times to determine best course of action for FY20 competition.

Scorecard Committee recommends both renewal and new applicant scorecards for the CoC competition.
• Consists of representatives from each Regional Committee and interested at-large members
• The Project Review Committee uses approved scorecards to score new and renewal CoC application and create the final prioritization ranking list.
• Considered how to approach scorecard recommendations in light of pending changes to FY20 competition
Three areas of changes to the scorecards:

The Scorecard Committee focused on:

• Small technical changes to both the New and Renewal Scorecard
  • Edited points for outside service resources, move-on, and targeting questions.
  • Adjust points in performance section
  • Adjusted CE section
• Questions to consider TH-RRH and SSO-CE projects funding through DV Bonus for New Scorecard only
• Racial equity questions to the New and Renewal Scorecard
Proposed Racial Equity Questions

- Does the applicant provide guidelines/program rules in other languages besides English?
- Does the applicant have client-facing bilingual staff?
- Does the applicant contract with interpreter services? [Provide a MOA/MOU or other agreement with interpreter service]
- Does the applicant have an Anti-discrimination Policy?
- Does the applicant hold annual trainings on its Anti-Discrimination Policy, as required by the CoC Anti-Discrimination Policy?
Proposed Racial Equity Questions

• Has the agency sent staff to an external training for Racial Equity or Anti-Discrimination in the last 12 months?
• Does the applicant have an equal access hiring clause in job postings?
• What percentage of your Board of Directors is non-white?
Recommendation to the Steering Committee:

The Scorecard Committee recommends:

**New:**
- Use 2019's New Scorecard for FY20 competition with the addition of TH-RRH, SSO-CE, and racial equity questions
- Update 2019 New Scorecard with small technical changes as mentioned with the addition of TH-RRH, SSO-CE, and racial equity questions and use for FY21 competition

**Renewal:**
- Hold off approving a Renewal Scorecard until more is known about the FY20 competition
- Update the 2019 Renewal Scorecard with small technical changes as mentioned with the addition of TH-RRH, SSO-CE, and racial equity questions and use for FY21 competition
Burlington Development Corporation
Grant Transfer
The CoC’s Significant Change Policy requires the Project Review Committee to provide a recommendation.

Burlington Development Corporation: STEPS RRH Grant
• County served: Alamance
• Budget: $57,664 (FY19 renewal amount)
• Number of units: minimum 3 units for Adult-Child households
• Grant operating year: 07/01/20 – 06/30/21
• Transfer date: 07/01/20
The PRC recommends transferring the grant to Family Abuse Services of Alamance.

Family Abuse Services of Alamance

- Domestic violence agency providing shelter following CoC’s written standards
- Engaged in Regional and Steering Committees
  - Executive Director serves as Regional Lead for Region 6
  - Case Manager serves as CE Lead for Region 6
- Minimal RRH experience
  - Past ESG RRH grantee
  - Experience with federal and state grants
- Willingness to operate using Housing First tenets and follow RRH program benchmarks and standards
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Questions?

Motion?

Next steps!
Racial Equity Subcommittee Update
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The subcommittee recommended potential racial equity questions for the CoC scorecard committee to consider for this year’s scorecards. The goal is to find ways to reward agencies for incorporating racial equity into their everyday processes.

The subcommittee recommended POC to join ICCHP's COVID-19 response workgroups. The subcommittee is currently exploring the use of a tool through which to filter decisions to ensure the CoC does not further marginalize communities of color.

NCCEH staff are recruiting subcommittee members to work on the annual Racial Equity Assessment. This is a HUD-mandated assessment but will also help the CoC get a better understanding of service gaps/needs in our homelessness system.
Upcoming Meetings & Reminders
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• **Coordinated Entry Council Meeting**, *Monday, June 15, 10:00 – 11:30 A.M.*  
  Presentation: [https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/791696621](https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/791696621)  
  Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 791-696-621

• **Racial Equity Subcommittee Meeting**, *Wednesday, June 17, 9:00 A.M.*  
  Presentation: [https://www.gotomeeting.me/NCEndHomelessness](https://www.gotomeeting.me/NCEndHomelessness)  
  Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 975-793-733
Upcoming Meetings & Reminders

- **BoS HMIS User Meeting**, *Thursday, June 18, 1:00 - 2:30 P.M.*
  Register here: https://www.ncceh.org/events/1379/

- **Funding and Performance Subcommittee Meeting**, *Thursday, June 25, 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.*
  Presentation: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/791696621
  Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 791-696-621

- **COVID-19 Local Leadership Response Sharing Call**, *Every Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 P.M.*
  Presentation: https://www.gotomeet.me/NCEndHomelessness
  Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 975-793-733
Adjournment

Next Steering Committee Meeting:
Tuesday, July 7, 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

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