Coordinated Entry Council Meeting
August 17, 2020

Attendees: Kristen Martin (Region 2), Bonnie Harper (Region 3), Michele Knapp (Region 4), Teresa Robinson (Region 5), Latonya Foust (Region 6), Jeff Rawlings (Region 7), Linda Walling (Region 10), John Apol (Region 10), Michele Welsh (Region 11 and 13), Lynne James (Region 12), Deean Fulton (At-large), Fredrika Murrill (At-large), Brian Fike, Brian Alexander, Nicole Purdy, Chaney Stokes, Kevin McNamee, Ashley Von Hatten

Back@Home surge population discussion continued with BoS CoC regions identifying the population to be served prior to NC 211 accepting referrals, based on current data and those experiencing homelessness in their community. Potential prioritization options include the current by-name list, emptying a non-congregate hotel, housing a tent city, or addressing other critical subpopulation needs. Discussions to determine the surge population should include the BoS CoC regional lead, BoS CE regional lead, and Back@Home rehousing agency. This will ensure all necessary parties are included in the discussion and decision and the numbers regarding the surge population are realistic based on awarded funding. Region 7 has identified its surge population as an existing non-congregate shelter (hotel shelter). Region 2 has identified its surge population as the current by-name list plus most vulnerable. Region 10 considering using households that were recently rehoused and are at risk of eviction. BoS CoC regions are also encouraged to define a community priority. Examples of such include chronically homeless, length of time homeless 2 years or longer, or families. BoS CoC regions are asked to email surge population, community-defined priority, and local CoC and/or CE person who will need access to NCCARE360 to Ashley Von Hatten (ashley@ncceh.org) by close of business on Wednesday, August 19, 2020.

Per HUD guidelines, coordinated entry systems must complete an annual evaluation of their system. This includes feedback from clients in emergency shelters, rapid rehousing, and permanent supportive housing, as well as coordinated entry participating providers. Due to COVID-19, the annual CE evaluation was not completed in March and NCCEH recently reached out to HUD to ask for a waiver. A response from HUD is likely to come within the next few weeks; however, if it is determined the CE annual evaluation must take place in 2020, the CEC has a process in place and can start collecting data.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.