# NC Balance of State Continuum of Care Southeast Region Homelessness Committee Meeting Minutes – December 19, 2018

#### In Attendance:

Emily Locklear - Executive Director, Southeastern Family Violence Center

Hollie Oxendine - Southeastern Family Violence Center

Demetris Wright - Southeastern Family Violence Center

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Harrison Locklear - Southeastern Family Violence Center/B@H
Jordyn Roark - Southeastern Family Violence Center/B@H

David Edmunds - Lumberton Christian Care
Clementine Thompson-McCormick - Lumberton Christian Care

Rosemarie Glenn - My Refuge

Cynthia Quintero - Robeson Community College
Dr. Ann Goudy - Eastern Carolina Homelessness Inc.

James Crouell - Eastpointe (Kinston Office)

1. Meeting called to order at 11:02 a.m. – Emily Locklear

- 2. Introduction of Committee (those in attendance) and Regional updates
- 3. Review and Approval of Regional Minutes for November 28, 2018
  - a. Demetris Wright added as attendance to minutes (change in minutes)
  - b. Jordyn Roark motion to approve with corrections
  - c. Rosemarie Glenn 2<sup>nd</sup>; no discussion needed; motion approved

## 4. Regional Leadership Positions

- a. Regional Lead Alternate: Rosemarie Glen; Jordyn Roark motioned for approval; David Edmonds 2<sup>nd</sup>; All in favor and motion approved. Emily Locklear agreed to mentor.
- b. When funding becomes available other positions can be filled for: ESG Funding Process Lead and CoC Project Review Committee Lead. Waiting until later in the year

### 5. Back@Home North Carolina

- a. Jordyn Roark explained the slow move to phase 2 with a soft launch
- b. New eligibility criteria
  - Disaster impact status as of September 11-16<sup>th</sup> of the 28 counties listed by FEMA; must be at or below 50% Area Median Income; Homeless or precariously housed
- c. 211 Process: Make sure to select the Back@Home Prompt. Help is available for rent, utilities, and possible move in items.
- d. Amendment: Do not have to apply for FEMA now. Call back if FEMA denied to see if help is available. No age limit
- e. Priority is youth, women with children, seniors, and unsheltered

### 6. PIT Count

a. Materials presented: informational flyer and general flyer in 11x8 or 11x7 sizing. Jordyn Roark will email the packet to include the 4pm – 12 am time and January 30<sup>th</sup> date.
 Volunteers that want to help will be directed to Southeastern Family Violence Center.

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- b. PIT Count Assessment can be done up to 7 days after the day of the event. We want to be aggressive with this and ask where did you sleep on the night of January 30<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Volunteers needed to help during and after PIT Count. Jordyn Roark will reach out to Phi Alpha and Christie Poteet with UNCP for volunteers
- d. Count can include persons still in motels paid for by organizations.
- e. Holly Oxendine will contact the police department for transport to both Lumberton sites and to rural Robeson areas; also contact the SFVC board members for contacts.
- f. Locations for the PIT Count are asked to provide a meal, resources (care package) and administer survey. Lumberton Christian Care and My Refuge for Lumberton; Lumberton Christian Care has 20 beds and 10 cots. Christie Poteet—Pembroke; Demetris Wright's church—Rowland; Jordyn Roark will look for help in Red Springs and St. Pauls; Sharon Armstrong will take the lead for Scotland and Bladen Counties; Vickie Pait—Columbus County.
- g. A separate meeting will be held on January 8, 2019 at 11 a.m. at Lumberton Christian Care Center to discuss training in assessment and finalize other plans

#### 7. Coordinated Assessment

- a. Rapid Rehousing is slowing down for the year
- b. Evaluation of Coordinated entry is due by February and the survey should be completed by January 25<sup>th</sup>. Emily will send out an email for all agencies and consumers. Permanent Supportive Housing and Rapid Rehousing clients need to take the survey.
- c. Coordinated Assessment Team also needs to do the survey

#### 8. Hurricane Florence Resources

- a. Deadline for FEMA is December 19, 2018 for new applications
- b. United Way and Robeson Church and Community Center are seeing people for case management
- c. Baptist Men still doing repairs
- d. Jordyn Roark explained the Declaration for Continued Need. FEMA will determine if continued rental assistance is possible if they issued a check \$1000 check for rental assistance and proof can be shown that money was used for that purpose.
- e. Christian Outreach Center (not to be confused with Lumberton Christian Care Center) has a warehouse on Chippewa Street (1pm 4pm) that has clothes, food, and a thrift store. This is the lowest barrier distribution center in the county—no application forms. Persons of Contact: Scott Ellis and Randy Lewis
- 9. Announcements: Clementine Thompson-McCormick enjoys hosting the meetings at Lumberton Christian Care Center.

Next meeting scheduled originally for January 16, 2018 at Southeastern Family Violence Center will now be held at Lumberton Christian Care Center at 11 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.