NC Balance of State Continuum of Care Southeast Region Homelessness Committee Meeting Minutes –August 17, 2022

In Attendance:

Emily Locklear -Southeastern Family Violence Center
Hollie Oxendine -Southeastern Family Violence Center
Jamonica Watson -Southeastern Family Violence Center
Stephanie Powers -Southeastern Family Violence Center
Cicely Pighet -Southeastern Family Violence Center
Shelita Odom -Southeastern Family Violence Center

Latasha McNair -Eastpointe Kevin Khyke -Eastpointe

Virginia Locklear -Robeson County Rape Crisis Center
David Edmunds -Lumberton Christian Care Center

Denise Riggins -Church and Community Services Scotland County

Carla Clark -Veteran Affairs, HUD-VASH
Kim Archie -NC Commission of Indian Affairs

Tina Barnes-Dawson -Robeson County Department of Social Services
Brianna Godwin -Robeson County Church and Community Center
Brittany Love -Robeson County Church and Community Center

Brian Fike -Trillium

April Leake -Robeson Healthcare Corporation

Allie Card -NC Balance of State

Ms. Clementine -Lumberton Christian Care Center

Tammy Creech -Trillium

Cynthia Quintero -Robeson Community College

- 1. Meeting called to order at 11:04am Emily Locklear
- 2. Introduction of Committee (those in attendance)

3. Review and Approval of Minutes from July 20th, 2022

Motion to approve minutes: Ms. Clementine

Second to Motion: Virginia Locklear

4. CY '23 ESG Annual Allocation Funding

Southeastern Domestic Violence Representatives left the meeting for the committee to discuss funding Latasha McNair shared recommendation list for Regional 8

Lead Office Robeson County Committee on Domestic Violence, INC applied for the Fair Share Amount for Region 8 funding to be used for Rapid Re-Housing and Emergency Shelter Housing Fair Share Amount Region 8 – \$169,856 Robeson County Committee on Domestic Violence Voted All in Favor and Recommendation of Robeson County Committee on Domestic Violence

5. COC Competition 2022

- a. Annual Competition
- b. Special COC NOFO Competition

East Pointe will be requesting Renewal for the current nine slots for Permanent Supportive Housing.

Allie Card reported HUD announcing a release of additional funding for unsheltered emergency funding and rural funding plan to serve the most vulnerable rural counties- NC Balance of State will be applying

6. Regional Committee Position- Unsheltered Access Coordinator

Looking for someone to be the Unsheltered Access Coordinator

7. Emergency Housing Vouchers Update

- Still accepting referrals
- Robeson County is currently on a waitlist, Bladen and Scotland county have no waitlist
- Two Scotland County vouchers awarded-Actively searching for housing
- Referral, documents, and application to be completed online
- Five referrals have been submitted for Scotland County
- Three referrals have been submitted for Bladen County
- Vouchers are good through 2030

8. B@H Program COVID

- Cicely Pighet provided update for Back at Home
- Currently have assisted 82 individuals/families
- Currently assisting 33 individuals/families with case management
- 40 people in housing search
- Will be making referrals to Section 8 as well as Emergency Housing Vouchers
- New case manager for the program, Sheltia Odom Bladen and Columbus County referrals
- Program will end in September 30th, 2022
- New Program Similar to Back at Home to begin October 1st, 2022

9. Rapid Rehousing Program

- 24 Active families
- 8 individuals/families receiving financial assistance
- 16 individuals/families are searching for housing
- 27 on the waiting list for the Rapid Rehousing Program
- Currently housed 29 families for the year
- Jan-Dec 2022, Refer needed to access the program and to be placed on coordinated entry list

10. Permanent Supportive Housing

- **a.** Seven slots are filled. There are two current slots available
- **b.** Working with Back at Home program to fill those slots

11. HUD VASH/ Veteran Services Update

 Veteran and Community Stand Down 2022, August 19th, 2022 104 N Cedar Street Lumberton, NC 28358

12. Coordinated Entry/Assessments

- Still In the process of updating coordinating entry/assessment process within a database
- Process to place individuals on the Coordinated Entry List is to Call Hollie at Southeastern and provide the referral for the individual.
- 62 individuals are currently on the Coordinated Entry List
- Back at Home program clients to be on the Coordinated Entry Assessments

13. Agency Updates/ Announcements

• Food Bank Church and Community Services Scotland County- Open on Monday and Wednesday based on income requirements. Friday is open to anyone to receive food assistance.

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:16 PM

 Next meeting – September 21, 2022 at 11:00am at Southeastern Family Violence Center via ZOOM