North Carolina Balance of State Continuum of Care

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Balance of State Steering Committee Meeting 01.05.10

Attendance:

Denise Neunaber Albert Barron Susanna Birdsong Laura Hartman Debbie Cole William Parker Marcie Lewis Joel Rice Jim Curtain **Paulette White** Melissa Ledbetter Kim Braxton Jennifer Olson Amy Modlin Talaika Williams Lynn Inman Michele Steele Tracy Asbury Teena Willis Shanetta Moye **Beverly Collins Hall** Jane Motsinger Wanda Feldt Donna McCormack **Don Rogers** Sonia Ensenat Jackie Sheffield Vanessa Neustrom

Kristi Case

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes

A motion to approve the December meeting minutes was made and approved [Hartman, Willis].
 Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 10:30 AM.

CoC Awards

• Renewal Projects were awarded in late December. All 18 BoS Renewal projects received renewal awards, totaling \$2.250,377. Renewal projects should look for their award letters from HUD within the next few weeks. New projects will be awarded in the next couple of months, after HUD reviews all Exhibit One Applications. This is the first year that the renewals have been separated out from new projects during the review period, so hopefully this expedited process will address any gaps in funding that have occurred in the past for existing projects.

BoS Regional Leaders

- In 2010, the BoS wants to make Regional Leads official—one regional lead per regional committee. If you haven't already, have your regional lead approved at your next Regional meeting. When you have that approval, please make sure it is included in your meeting minutes and send us a copy so we have that in our records.
- Add bos@ncceh.org to your mailing list if you haven't already.

Point in Time Count

- The Point in Time Count is coming up on Wednesday, January 27
- All 2010 forms have been updated and are accessible here: www.ncceh.org/2010PIT
- This year, we are adding an optional form to count imminently homeless/precariously housed individuals and families—this is something that will be especially helpful in our rural communities, as these situations occur more frequently than street homelessness does there.
 - If you're interested in talking more about planning for capturing these groups, please email us at bos@ncceh.org. We are meeting via conference call on next Tuesday, January 12 at 2:00 PM to discuss this new population for the Count.
- Your PIT Counts are due to NCCEH no later than Friday, February 5.

Local Updates/Q & A

- CoC meeting attendance is low in some areas. How do we hold a leader election with so few meeting participants?
 - Feel free to do the election/vote over email so you may get more response
- Suggested strategies to get people to meetings:
 - Asking people to make presentations always seems to work well to get them more involved/feel more a part of what's going on.
 - Meet with potential attendees personally, help them to see how they fit into the scope of what you're trying to do.
 - At the last meeting of the year, Albert Barron (Eastpointe) hosted an end of the year update for all stakeholders, including S+C recipients. The event showcased the spectrum of involvement and really let others see the difference they're making in their communities.
 - Get buy-in from agency director, not just one staff member, so you can keep the momentum going when there is staff turnover.
 - Give assignments—ask everyone to do something and be able to report on it at the next meeting.

Mark your calendars for BoS calls! First Tuesday of every month at 10:30 AM

**February meeting date exception, due to HUD Rental Calculation Training: Tues., Feb. 9, 10:30 AM