Johnston County Regional Housing Committee NC Balance of State Continuum of Care *Meeting Minutes from January, 2016*

In Attendance:

Roxanne Curry, Johnston County Mental Health Center Margaret Hinnant, JCMH Community Relations Angela Jones, Johnston/Lee/Harnett Community Action Cherri Swails, Johnston County Recovery Judy Brown, Smithfield Housing Authority Rose Jones, Family Endeavors (Fayetteville) Teresa Wall, Johnston County Emergency Services Michelle Adkins, Johnston County DSS Cheri Stocks, Johnston County Health Department Krystal McCullen, Commwell Health

Introductions:

Attendee introductions were made.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Minutes were approved by common consent.

BoS Steering Committee Meeting Updates from 01/05/16

NC Housing Finance Agency **Supportive Housing Development Program** has announced **available funding** for the development of PSH and shelter construction and rehab, among other eligible activities. Please contact NCHFA staff for more information:

- Margrit Bergholz: 919-877-5633, mcbergholz@nchfa.com
- Gwen Belcredi: 919-877-5648, sgbelcredi@nchfa.com

The Steering Committee approved **Coordinated Assessment** plans from Foothills and Lee-Harnett Regional Committees. All Regional Committees should be using version 2 of the VI-SPDAT as of Jan. 1, 2016. CA Outcome forms are due Jan. 15 for October-December, 2015. NC 211 Updates are due Jan. 31 - please report directory changes using this form: http://goo.gl/forms/cmeOEPeqZw. Coordinated Assessment workgroup will be Jan.12, 3-4:00

- The State ESG Office plans to notify Lead Agencies with 2015-16 award information this month.
- The Point-in-Time (PIT) Count will be held the night of Wednesday, January 27. Regional Committees are responsible for planning and conducting their local counts, reviewing data for accuracy, and submitting their forms to NCCEH. The PIT reporting forms are posted on NCCEH's website at www.ncceh.org/2016pit. NCCEH is holding a BoS PIT training January 7 at 11:00. The training is open to everyone working on the PIT; all PIT leads are asked to attend. Participants can register at www.ncceh.org/events/971. HUD's PIT and HIC guides are posted at www.ncceh.org/pointintimehowto.
- The NCCEH Data Center has finished migration and work on the 2015 Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR).

• January is the month for **Regional Committee elections**. BoS staff updated the Local Leadership Roles & Responsibilities document to include information for the Coordinated Assessment Lead (on pg. 3): http://www.ncceh.org/files/3117/

Please elect a Regional Lead, Regional Lead alternate and Coordinated Assessment Lead and send contact info for these people to NCCEH by Jan. 31 using this form: http://goo.gl/forms/bvmtye893O

Voting Results for Regional Housing Committee Leads

- Roxanne Curry, Regional Housing Committee Lead and Recorder of Minutes
- Cherri Swails, Housing Committee Alternate
- Angela Jones, Coordinated Assessment Lead

Coordinated Assessment Up-Dates

Angela Jones was elected as Johnston County's Coordinated Assessment Lead

Guest Speaker

Angela Jones of Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Action
Point in Time Count Lead, Johnston County Regional Housing Committee
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Angela Jones from Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Action presented information about Point in Time Count as Point in Time Count Lead. Data collecting and procedures were discussed.

Discussion

Johnston County homeless locations were discussed and areas were designated as follows:

- Judy Brown of Smithfield Housing Authority Shiloh & First Baptist Soup Kitchen, and Smithfield Public Library
- Teresa Wall of Johnston County Emergency Services Smithfield Walmart, Burks, Food Lion, and Selma Tractor Supply
- Michelle Adkins of Johnston County DSS Four oaks Area, Smithfield Rescue Mission, and Good Neighbor House
- Roxanne Curry of Johnston County Mental Health Center and Cheri Stocks of Johnston County Health Department – 40/42 Area, Garner (Hwy. 42) Walmart, and Johnston Memorial Hospital & Medical Center
- Angela Jones of Johnston-Lee-Harnett Community Action Johnston County Mental Health Emergency Department, and Clayton (Hwy. 70) Walmart

Volunteers and Hygiene Bags:

 Angela Jones, Margaret Hinnant, and Roxanne Curry will reach out to contacts for volunteers to gather data and for hygiene bag supplies.

Conducting a Point-in-Time Count

Conducting a Point-in-time Count is important for all communities. The count provides a snapshot of who is homeless on a given night. This information can be used to plan local homeless assistance systems, to tailor programs to meet existing needs, and to raise public awareness of homelessness.

HUD requires that all Continuums of Care conduct a Point-in-Time Count each year during the last ten days of January. Programs that have beds dedicated to serve homeless individuals and families also conduct a bed inventory (the Housing Inventory Count.)

Announcements

Next Meeting – February 18, 2016 at 10:30 am Johnston County Mental Health Center Conference Room