NC Balance of State Continuum of Care Southeast Region Homelessness Committee Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2020

Emily Locklear Hollie Oxendine **Nicole Flores** Jamonica Watson Alexis Oxendine Kassandra Quintero Jackie Patterson Stephanie Powers **Calacia Douglas** Latasha McNair Debbie Garner April Leake Carla Monds Carla Clark McRae **Denise Riggins** Virginia Locklear Meredith Dubose

In Attendance:

- Executive Director, Southeastern Family Violence Center
- Southeastern Family Violence Center
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  - Eastpointe
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  - Robeson Healthcare
  - Robeson Healthcare (HIV Program Coordinator)
  - VA Services (HUD VASH)
    - Scotland County Church and Community Center
    - Robeson County Rape Crisis Center
  - Bladen County Disaster and Recovery Services
- 1. Meeting called to order at 11:04am Emily Locklear
- 2. Introduction of Committee (those in attendance) and Regional updates

## 3. Review and Approval of Minutes from October 21, 2020

a. Motion to accept by Jamonica Watson and second/carried by Jackie Patterson.

## 4. Regional Committee Lead Elections

- a. Leadership requirements: Only TWO (2) positions per agency.
  - i. Currently SFVC has FOUR (4) positions Regional Committee Lead, Coordinated Assessment Lead, Point-in-Time Count Lead, and Secretary/Webmaster.
- b. Emily Locklear emphasized the importance of each role and highlighted the responsibilities of each.
- c. All available positions were reviewed in detail.
- d. Emily Locklear volunteered to keep the Regional Committee Lead position and a motion to accept was made by Hollie Oxendine and second/carried by Denise Regan with no discussion.
- e. Carla McRae volunteered to be the Secretary/Webmaster and a Motion to accept was made by Hollie Oxendine and second/carried by Jackie Patterson.
- f. Emily Locklear volunteered for SFVC to keep the PIT Count Lead position and a Motion to accept was made by Latasha McNair and second/carried by Denise Regan.
- g. Coordinated Assessment Lead is still available.
  - i. Latasha McNair acknowledged that Eastpointe should take a role due to receiving fuds, so she will let us know which position they will take at the next meeting.
- h. Funding Committee Lead/Score Card can be appointed as it comes available.
- i. Emily emphasized the importance of inviting new partners to join our committee.

# 5. Project HOPE

- a. HOPE stands for Housing Opportunity & Prevention of Eviction.
- b. Currently 12,000 application in NC and of those, 10,000 are eligible.
- c. As of today, SFVC has received 388 application
  - i. All cases should be assigned to a Case Manager within SEVEN (7) days of applying.
- d. The program can provide up to SIX (6) months of rental assistance to include arrears and forward rental amounts not to go beyond December 2020.
- e. The application is uploaded on SFVC's website or individuals can call 211.

## 6. B@H Program COVID/CRF Funds

- a. Latasha McNair inquired about deposits for her PSH clients. Ms. Emily Locklear said she would reach out to ESG to see if that is possible.
- b. Individuals that are eligible are those who are being assisted in the motel or WERE assisted by any organization, or individuals in non-congregate programs that are considered literally homeless according to the Homeless Verification form.
- c. CRF funds will assist with Landlord engagement and provide move in kits for the clients in the B@H COVID program.
- d. Currently working to input all clients that were a part of the surge population and placed in the motel in NCCARES.
- e. Program was awarded \$579,000 until 06/2022 and is projected to help 50 households but will likely do more than that.

## 7. PIT/HIC County

- a. PIT Count is set for January 27, 2021
- b. SFVC will remain the Lead agency.
- c. Emily Locklear encouraged the committee members to see if their local churches could sponsor coat drives, personal hygiene products and also food supplies for the night of the count.

## 8. Agency Updates/Announcements

- a. Nothing new to report for Coordinated Assessment except a new plan needs to be updated and sent out for everyone's review.
- b. Denise Regan introduced herself. She is the Executive Director for Scotland County Church and Community Center and informed the committee of the services they offer (food pantry, clothing, utility and rental assistance) (910) 276-8330.

Next meeting - November 18, 2020 at 11:00am at Southeastern Family Violence Center

Meeting adjourned at 11:49 am