

**NC Balance of State Continuum of Care
Southeast Region Homelessness Committee
Meeting Minutes –December 21, 2022**

In Attendance:

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| Emily Locklear | -Southeastern Family Violence Center |
| Hollie Oxendine | -Southeastern Family Violence Center |
| Anna Register | -Southeastern Family Violence Center |
| Latasha McNair | -Eastpointe |
| Kevin Khyke | -Eastpointe |
| Carla Clark | -Veteran Affairs, HUD-VASH |
| Clementine Thompson-McCormick | -Lumberton Christian Care Center |
| Jenny Simmons | -NC Coalition to End Homelessness |
| Dia Thomas | -Bladen County Schools |
| Tina Bowen | -Director, Suds of Love |
| Lana Locklear | -Robeson County Rape Crisis Center |
| Michele Welsh | -Trillium |
| Lori Jacobs | -Community Care of North Carolina |
| Shelita Odum | -Public Schools of Robeson County |
| Alice Bell | -Southeastern Family Violence Center |

- 1. Meeting called to order** at 11:02am – Emily Locklear
- 2. Introduction of Committee** (those in attendance)
- 3. Review and Approval of Minutes from November 16th, 2022**
Correction to Minutes: Clementine Thompson-McCormick not Thompson McCormick
Motion to approve minutes: Clementine Thompson-McCormick
Second to Motion: Dr. Dia Thomas

4. Regional Leadership

Regional Committees should elect the following leadership roles to begin Jan 2023:

Regional Lead

Regional Alternate

CE Lead: Michelle Welch, Trillium

Webmaster: Carla Clark, Veteran Affairs

Unsheltered Access Coordinator

Project Review Committee Representative

Discussion held to discuss the importance of regional leadership and roles. Emily Locklear noted that one agency is not suppose to hold more than two leadership roles. Stressed that everyone's participation is needed to ensure the success of the committee.

Emily Locklear agreed to remain the Regional Lead for 2023 year

Latasha McNair motioned to allow Emily Locklear with Southeastern Family Violence Center to continue with the Regional Lead position. Clementine Thompson-McCormick second the motion.

Dr. Dia Thomas with Bladen County Schools committed to regional alternate within regional leadership.

Latasha McNair motioned Dr. Dia Thomas to represent as Regional Alternate
Hollie Oxendine second motion

Additional Leadership roles tabled until January 18th, 2023
Unsheltered Access Coordinator
Project Review Committee Representative

5. Coordinated Entry

Michele Welsh with Trillium was assigned by NCCEH for Coordinated Entry Lead. Jenny Simmons discussed efforts and noted that coordinated entry efforts will need to be paused as a process will need to be developed between Trillium and Southeastern Family Violence Center. Southeastern Family Violence Center previously acted in the Coordinated Entry role as a call center to handle homelessness needs.

6. PIT/HIC Overview- January 25, 2023

Email sent out on 12/21/22 (Please review)

PIT overview completed

Agencies are required to use the Counting Us App for data collection

Training, January 4th for non-victim agencies providers training <https://www.ncceh.org/hmis/pithic/>

Counting Us App Webinar, January 11th -Victim service provider

Resources to be available during PIT count. Ask local churches and or non-profit organizations to assist with donations.

Flyers to be distributed

7. Emergency Housing Vouchers Update

- Robeson County is closed and will not receive any more vouchers
- Scotland was issued 8 vouchers. No leases were completed with the vouchers.
- Vouchers issued will be good until 2030
- No vouchers utilized in Bladen county
- All additional vouchers have been returned to HUD
- Lumberton Housing Authority has current openings for Section 8 housing

8. Back at Home Program COVID

- No updates
- Currently put on hold and not accepting referrals until January 2023
- Assisting current families to ensure funding is available and not overspent.

9. Rapid Rehousing Program

- Update provided by Hollie Oxendine
- Total for 2022 year housed 37 new families housed
- Total of 80 families assisted in 2022
- Program is currently on hold to assist active families only
- Program to resume January 2023
- New Domestic Violence Rapid Rehousing Program -Safe at Home to begin in January 2023
- Alice Bell, Safe at HOME case manager and will be the point of contact for all four counties

10. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

- a. Seven slots are filled. There are two current slots pending housing
- b. Barriers: Location due to rural areas, Funds for deposits/application fees, Lack of Housing/Landlords
- c. Eastpoint to serve Robeson and Scotland Counties
- d. Trillium to serve Columbus and Bladen Counties
- e. Debbie Garner is no longer with Eastpointe

11. HUD VASH/ Veteran Services Update

No updates at this time

12. Coordinated Entry/Assessments

- Trillium will serve as the Coordinated Entry lead
- Coordinated Entry will be on a two week paused due to switch in roles

13. Agency Updates/ Announcements

Lumberton Christian Center will operate as a White Flag for the upcoming weekend due to significant lower temperatures.

SUDS of LOVE Resource update provided

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 pm

- Next meeting – January 18, 2023 at 11:00am at Southeastern Family Violence Center via ZOOM