## January 7, 2016, 3pm, 425 S Lexington, Burlington NC

## ACICHA Meeting Minutes

Introductions were made. Present Included: *see names on sign-in sheet*

Proposed New Business:

No new business.

Reviewed & approved previous meeting minutes, a motion was made by Heidi, seconded by Derek, passed unanimously by the voting members present.

New Business:

* Per our bylaws, elections should be held in January. Potential candidates were discussed at length resulting in Kim remaining the chair (Motion: Nikki, Second: Cheryl), alternate/vice chair: Thadeous (Motion: Monika, Second: Cheryl and secretary: Nikki (Motion: Heidi, Second: Monika), April- assistant secretary.
* Discussion was held about Congressman Burr’s upcoming visit to our area and what topics we should bring to his attention.
  + Mental Health Funding
  + Tax credit points: for affordable rental housing developers (include criteria on proximity to grocery store)
* HMIS Data Quality: all agencies are to run and provide a DQ report for next month’s meeting.
* Program 2015 outcomes presented at Feb 2016 meeting
* FMR 2016 $551 - 2015; up $642 - 2016 according to HUD Fair Market Rent Documentation System. The packet will be sent out to the Committee.

Old Business:

* Project Homeless Connect: Nikki passed out vendor/provider registration forms and encouraged those who had not signed up to do so. All other details for the event are taken care of.
* PIT Regional Contact: Jai Baker of Allied Churches finished training today. Minor changes from last year, will send to ACICHA. Forms are available on NCCEH.org. Allied Churches will forward the links. Plans are in place. End of next week everyone will have information they need. Kim described PIT to the group and how crucial an accurate count is for our county's funding. PHC has helped with this. We still have no unaccompanied youth in our PIT count. This is probably because they are doubled up and this is not considered in the count. We are looking at new and creative ways to count. We need to get out of Burlington to other parts of the county.

ACICHA Subcommittee Reports:

* Development: meeting was planned with Amy Nelson and Cheif Smythe. Amy will meet with the city attorney so our meeting was delayed until Amy's meeting with the attorney has taken place.
* Direct Services
  + Coordinated Assessment Updates
* ACICHA Monthly Outcomes- December - see report. People are still calling thinking they will find an apartment, but not eminently homeless, hence the high total call volume. Also calling for utilities on the coordinated assessment line. Currently 55 in the shelter. #'s drop during the holidays, they will begin to increase. Average shelter stay is 72 days. Problem is not that there are not enough shelter beds, but that we don't have enough affordable appropriate places for people to go.
* (I didn't get all the numbers Monica reported – here is my attempt but then I quit. Monica will supply her report for distribution to ACICHA) 2015 rapid rehoused 28 , 21 still housed. 5 still housed but moved to different states. 2 came back to shelter but diverted to other housing through coordinated assessment. 95% success in RRP.
* Landlord breakfast on 1/19 9:30 - 10:30 at Allied Churches. They are the key to success for RRP. Makes good business sense for them as well. Flyers were made available. Success is also due to good case management which starts after they are housed. Allied Churches just received word that a foundation is going to fund an additional case manager for 3 years.
* Waiting List Update ???

NC Balance of State Steering/NCCEH Data Center (HMIS) Updates:

# Please refer to the information on the agenda. Kim will send notes from BofS CoC to ACICHA. Bob inquired whether each agency has at least one person who is qualified to use HMIS. Kim responses yes. Some have more. We are also exploring using 211 for Coordinated Assessment and this will also assist with data gathering. Bob will help with PIT count.

Announcement Roundtable:

# Community Connections - Reinvisioning Welfare in Alamance County

# Thursday, January 14 at 7:00 - 8:15 at the Paramount Theater

# Event Description: As of 2016 Presidential election nears, the issue of welfare once again has garnered national attention. Yet for the thousands of people in Alamance County, and millions around the country who rely on some form of public assistance to make ends meet, the issue of welfare is always a hot button issue. Join us for a lively conversation about the realities of living with the help of public assistance and the importance of re-envisioning welfare in our local and national communities.

* Mayor Ian Baltutis made the group aware of his book club and the various books they will be discussing. The first book will be Metropolitan Revolution. Next month's book with be Speed of Trust by Stephen Covey. Dates and times can be found on the library's website as well as City of Burlington's site. You can also find the Mayor's office hours there as well.

Kim thanked the Mayor for taking the time to meet with ACICHA. Mayor Baltutis invited organizations to read Destination Burlington 2035 and bring any ideas to the City Council at their upcoming retreat.

* FAS - Tammy Smith kitchen - still being renovated. They have tapped a many churches for meals. Need meals for February.
* Bonita Brown mentioned a new video about unaccompanied youth will be available soon and she will make it available to ACICHA.
* WRC - Financial literacy workshops for the next three weeks. Land the Job workshop next Friday 1/15 at 11-1.
* Derek Smith - SAL - Over 200 people having their water being cut-off in Burlington. This can cause them to have to leave their homes as they will be inhabitable.
* UW - Volunteer Website; Grant Workshops.

Adjourned

Next Meeting: February 4, 2016.