



# North Carolina Balance of State Continuum of Care

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## NC Balance of State CoC Steering Committee Minutes

December 7, 2021

**Regional Leads Present:** Kristen Martin, Tonya Freeman, Arwen March, Andrea Merriman, Tharesa Lee, Teena Willis, Marie Watson, James Mercer, LaTasha McNair, Lakitra Claude, Tujuanda Sanders, Teresa Robinson

**At-Large Members Present:** Angela Harper King, Cassandra Rowe, Lisa Phillips, Torie Keeton, Ellen Blackman, Kelly Benton, Jeff Rawlings

**SC Members Absent:** Isaac Sturgill, Pamela Atwood, LaTonya Penny, Emily Locklear, Natasha Elliot

**Interested Parties Present:** Derek Lancour, Beth Lingerfeldt, Hannah Larios, Lori Watts, Elle Peterson, Kendra Martin, Amy Modlin, Lesly Delgado, Joey Mosley, Kecia Robinson, Monica Frizzell, Bonnie Harper, Kimberly Hemphill, Misti Fuller, Brian Fike, Pamela Hinton, Shelly Chandler, Cara Moraitis, Michele Welsh, Teresa Allen, Kerry Bashaw, Emily Lowry, Rachelle Dugan, Teresa Allen, Rachelle Dugan, Hannah Larios

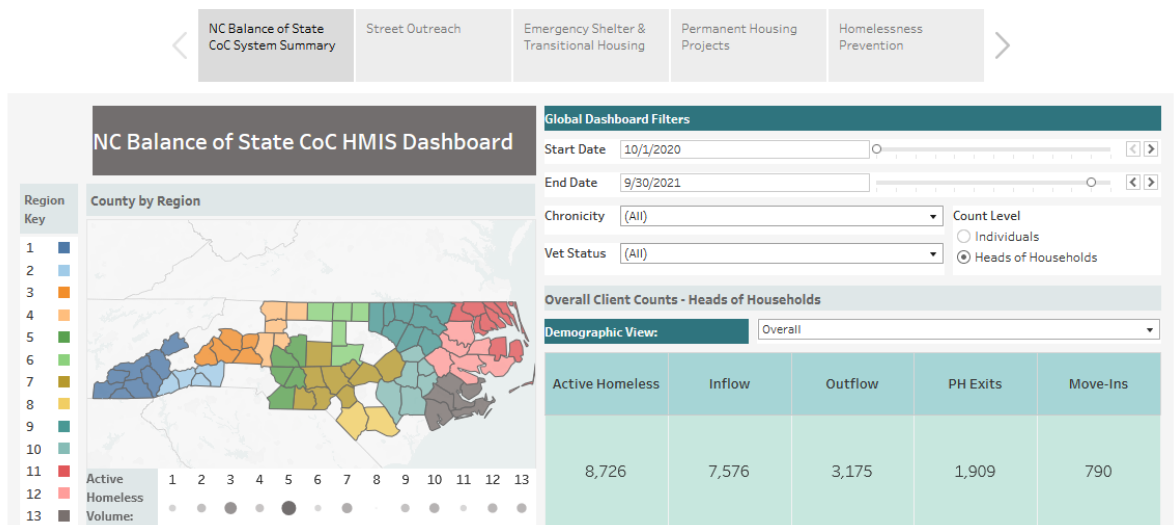
**NCCEH Staff Present:** Laurel McNamee, Ashley VonHatten, Jeremy Ratcliff, Allie Card, Debra Susie, Andrea Carey

### Approval of Consent Agenda

- The consent agenda was sent out for review prior to the meeting and is posted at: <https://www.ncceh.org/bos/steeringcommittee/>
- The consent agenda was approved by common consent without changes or objections.

## NC BoS CoC Dashboard

Andrea provided an overview of data outcomes from the dashboard. The presentation highlighted access to permanent housing. The dashboard presents data at the CoC, regional, and county levels and allows members to hone-in using individual project tabs to view aggregate data for Street Outreach, Shelter (Emergency Shelter & Transitional Housing), and Permanent Housing (Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing) projects.



The chart above gives a detailed look at the PH Exits from 10/1/2020 – 9/30/2021. Data also shows 5 households moved on from PSH monthly. Staff added suggestions for system improvement which included an increase in move-on participation and partnerships with PHAs.

## Regional Committee Leadership

The NC Balance of State CoC Governance Charter requires Regional Committees to elect the following leadership positions in the fourth quarter:

- Regional Lead
- Regional Lead Alternate
- Coordinated Entry Lead
- Webmaster
- Project Review Committee representative

Staff reminded regions to submit their new leadership by December 15<sup>th</sup>. New regional leadership will begin serving on January 1, 2022.

## **Approval of 2022 Slate of At-Large Steering Committee Members**

New At-large members were presented at the meeting

- Tiffany Askew- Executive Director of New Bern Housing Authority
- Rachelle Dugan- Housing Case Manager, Thrive
- Torie Keeton- Policy and Government Affairs Manager, NC Rural Center
- Tommy Holderness (Alternate) – Attorney, Legal Aid NC

Teena Willis made a motion to accept the new at-large members. The motion was seconded by Arwen March. The full slate of 2022 at-large members was approved unanimously.

## **Racial Equity Subcommittee Update**

- Dialogue Series
  - 2 events in 2021 On October 12<sup>th</sup> and November 9<sup>th</sup>
  - 75-80 attendees at each event
  - Special thanks to the Dialogue Work Group members: Teresa Robinson, Dr. Deniece Cole, and Tandra Chamberlain for their incredible work to make the Dialogue Series happen!
- 2022 subcommittee recruitment has begun
  - See membership FAQ as needed
  - Interested parties should connect with regional leads
  - Encouraged to serve on workgroups and other subcommittees, either RE Sub or more broadly in BoS CoC.
  - Share the responsibility of reporting to Steering Committee. Expect to present at least once in the year.
  - FAQ at: <https://www.ncceh.org/files/11696/>
- Staff also gave an update on the Equity Initiative Cohort #2
  - Began CE Initiative to improve racial disparities throughout the CE System
  - Prioritization workgroup and RE Subcommittee members represent the core team
  - NC BoS CoC have started meeting with CoCs from across the country and individual sessions with HUD TA to work on improving racial disparities in access and prioritization.

## **2022 PIT/HIC Planning**

Andrea Carey gave an update on the 2022 PIT Count and the role of the NC BoS CoC Unsheltered Access Coordinators

- Elected position for each region

- Primary goal: to ensure all people living unsheltered connect to services!
- Leads collection, entry, and verification of data for PIT night
  - Organizes verification surveys night-of or immediately after PIT night

Resources online for ALL

- Go to [nces.ed.gov/datacenter/pointintimehowto/](https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter/pointintimehowto/)

For Unsheltered Access Coordinators and CE Leads

- Go to [nces.ed.gov/bos/coordinatedentry](https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter/pointintimehowto/) > Unsheltered Access
- Planning tools like [Unsheltered CE Planning Worksheet](#)
- Data Collection tools for [First Contact](#) and [Additional Contacts](#)
- Privacy tools to have on-hand during outreach and ready for follow-up

### **Lived Expertise Advisory Council**

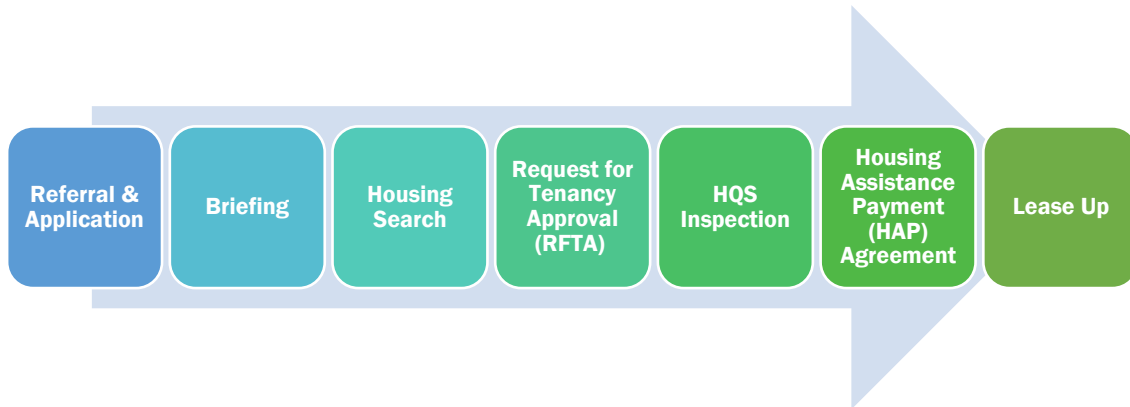
- Council member Jeff Rawlings was unable to attend so staff member Laurel McNamee presented an update of the Lived Expertise Advisory Council. The group has decided to rename the subcommittee from Consumer Advisory Council to avoid using the term “consumer” and will now be the Lived Expertise Advisory Council (LEAC). It was noted that the LEAC formally launched in October and met in October and November. Meetings have focused on building a foundation of understanding and relationships, as well as a knowledge base for working in the context of a CoC.
- Steering Committee approval will be needed to make name changes in the governance charter.
- Draft edits to the Governance Charter and a formal proposal will be coming in 2022.

### **Emergency Housing Vouchers**

Allie Card gave a presentation on Emergency Housing Vouchers and detailing the priorities for 2022.

- 1) Households are ready to Move On with long-term rental assistance but less intensive case management. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Rapid Rehousing (Region 7) clients are both eligible for Move On.
- 2) Households with highest length of unsheltered homelessness and where documentation for PSH (chronic homelessness and/or disability) is not able to be obtained.

3) Families and/or individuals on current regional Coordinated Entry (CE) by-name list (BNL) who need long-term rental assistance



Allie also gave details on the roles and expectations for regional positions and other programs regarding emergency housing vouchers. The positions included:

- CE Lead
- PSH Provider with Move On clients
- Provider Point of Contact for EHV household
- PHA
- NC BoS CoC
- EHV Household
- Landlords

#### **2022 Steering Committee Dates**

- January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022
- March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022
- April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022
- June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022
- September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022

- October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022
- December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### Upcoming Meetings and Reminders

The Steering Committee was directed to review the following meetings and reminders for December 2021.

- **Coordinated Entry Council Meeting**, Monday, December 13, 10:00 – 11:30 A.M.
  - Presentation: <https://www.gotomeet.me/NCEndHomelessness>
  - Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 975-793-733
- **Racial Equity Subcommittee Meeting**, Wednesday, January 19, 11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.
  - Presentation: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/791696621>
- **NC Local Leadership Response Sharing Call**, No December Call. Next Call: Wednesday, January 19, 1:00 – 2:00 P.M.
  - Presentation: <https://zoom.us/j/5799039481?pwd=UFkwNCtLdUszeG94Y2prS0ttRkVmdz09>
- **NC BoS HMIS User Meeting**, Thursday, December 16, 1:00 - 2:30 P.M.
  - Presentation: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/168443229>
  - Audio: (571) 317-3122 Access Code: 168-443-2293
- **Funding and Performance Subcommittee Meeting**, No December Call. Next Call: Thursday, January 27, 11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
  - Presentation: [uberconference.com/brianncch](https://uberconference.com/brianncch)
  - Audio: (401) 283-4752 Pin: 13939

Next BoS CoC Steering Committee meeting: Tuesday, January 11, 2022, 10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

