

WNC HOMELESS COALITION
Regular Meetings -2nd Thursday of the month
May 14, 2020 10:00 am -11:00 am
Referral and Monitoring Meeting/RRH Selection Committee 11:00-12:00 pm

MINUTES

INTRODUCTIONS

Destri Leger	HERE in Jackson County
Tobi Adams	REACH of Cherokee County
Veronica Murphy	REACH of Macon County
Sarah Martin	REACH of Clay County
Michelle Vermon	

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- Introductions/ Attendance
- Review & Approval of March Minutes
- Balance of State Steering Committee Update
 - Top priorities for initial response to COVID-19 in homelessness system:
 - Safety and Health Supplies for Emergency Shelter and Unsheltered
 - CDC guidelines for homeless shelters to keep people healthy. Support the health of people living in unsheltered settings.
 - Medical Shelter
 - Provide quarantine and isolation options for people who are symptomatic or who test positive for COVID-19. Provide recovery or care options for patients experiencing homelessness to receive care for other health issues to preserve hospital beds.
 - Housing Stabilization
 - Move people out of homelessness and into housing so they can follow social distancing and hygiene guidelines to reduce the spread.
 - Keep people at-risk of homelessness in their housing with the ability to stay-at-home.
 - Funding & Performance Subcommittee Priorities
 - Ensure essential infrastructure is in place (HMIS & CE)
 - Ensure adequate coverage of PSH
 - Increase availability for RRH
 - Ensure CoC funding is being used well, including potentially reallocating some funding from projects that have patterns of poor spending or poor performance.
 - Increasing RRH - tier 2 priority; Increasing PSH - tier 3
 - Domestic Violence Rapid Rehousing project denied
- Coordinated Assessment Update
 - Coordinated Entry Evaluation - *postponed*

- HERE now has a Coordinated Entry Project in HMIS and will begin moving towards conducting CE through HMIS.
- Rapid Rehousing Update
 - \$36,934.85 spent out of \$61,500 for the year. Increased allotments are expected to be received to provide response to COVID-19.
 - Waivers - ESG has requested a waiver from HUD to not apply the FMR cap for new leases signed for the next six months (or until October). *To place a client in a unit above FMR, you must first submit a completed Rent Reasonableness certification to HERE for approval.*
- Permanent Supportive Housing Update
- Agency Report Outs
 - COVID-19 Response Report Outs by county

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

NEXT RAMM MEETING - April 23rd at 11 AM (via telephone only)
Dial in Telephone: 224 475 1422
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