



WNC
HOMELESS
COALITION

Regular Meetings -2nd Thursday of the month

3/10/2022, 2021 10:00 am -11:00 am

Referral and Monitoring Meeting/RRH Selection Committee 11:00-12:00 pm

MINUTES

INTRODUCTIONS

Name	Agency
Derek Lancour:	Vaya Health
Viyanna Langager:	Meridian/Blue Ridge Cherokee ACTT
Lori Watts:	Vaya Health
Veronica Murphy:	REACH of Macon
Robert Cochran:	HERE in Jackson Co
Samantha Gibson:	REACH of Haywood
Jennifer Holling:	Cherokee Indian Hospital
Trish Lawson:	REACH of Clay Co
Laurel McNamee:	NCCEH
Stephanie Almeida:	Smoky Mountain Harm Reduction
Cecilia Crawford:	REACH of Cherokee
Destri Leger:	First United Methodist Church of Waynesville
Lara Conner:	Cherokee Indian Hospital
Amanda Hamby:	Reach of Cherokee
Denise Bean:	HERE in Jackson
Kelly McNeirny:	Western Carolina University

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- Review & Approval of last month' Minutes
 - *Robert C motioned, Viyanna L seconded, no further discussion, all in favor, no one was opposed, the motion carries*
- Balance of State Steering Committee Update
 - Steering Committee updates and documents can be found at <https://www.ncceh.org/bosminutes/>
 - Derek Lancour provided update
 - Dashboard review (July 2021 through January 2022 (6 months))
 - Head of Household total served across NC was > 6000
 - Inflow 3300 new households
 - Outflow 2600 households
 - Chronic Homeless
 - 884 active
 - Inflow 426
 - Outflow 354
 - 152 PH exits

- 85 move ins (found new housing)
- Client Population change
 - Reviewed graph
 - Graph reflects 39 new chronic households added over past 6 months
 - January 2022 only
 - Chronic outflow 48 households
 - PH exits 19 households
 - Data reflects more chronic households in Jan 2022 than July 2021
 - Data reflects that currently cannot support chronic households fast enough to end chronic homelessness
- FY 19 SSO- CE grant report (12/1/20 through 11/30/21)
 - Reviewed NCCEH sub granted agencies
 - Accomplishments
 - Spent 92.5% which met goal
 - Expanded street outreach to focus on CE access for unsheltered
 - Partnership with 12 PHAs across CoC
 - Annual Performance Report (APR)
 - Data center intends to create reports for each specific region (future goal/plan)
 - 2448 total persons served
 - Of 2448 served only 1492 were assessed (VISPDAT) and recorded in HMIS
 - Group that lacked assessments most was families with children
 - NC BoS goals
 - 90% of households on BNL that reflect current living situation
 - Updating living situation every 90 days for 90% of Head of Households with CE and/or street outreach
- FY 2022 CoC Competition
 - CoC has begun planning FY 2022 Competition
 - Registration delayed by HUD
 - Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW) typically follows 6 weeks post registration
 - New applicant webinar transpired on 3/3/22
 - Intent to apply opened on 3/1/22
 - New CoC projects required to complete “Intent to Apply” form
 - NCCEH staff will review and follow up with agencies
 - Deadline 2 weeks after NOFA release
- FY 2021 Program Awards
 - HUD has yet to provide award announcement (expected soon)
- Outreach Mission requested letter of support for NCHFA grant
 - Increase ability to house more clients (male, female, and families)
 - Improvements to kitchen, laundry, offices, and security station

- Current ESG grantee in Lee County
 - Jan 2022 BoS items to work on
 - Key issue: Diversion/Prevention
 - NCCEH including diversion framework into trainings for emergency shelters
 - Discussion about homeless prevention vs eviction prevention
 - Open discussion that included pros and cons
 - Attempted to identify focus moving forward
 - More data about evictions in BoS in relation to HUD funded programs
 - Need for additional housing stabilization resources
 - Eviction moratorium illustrated lack of available units due to decrease in turnover
 - Important to maintain landlord relationships
 - 2022 Report (Federal and HMIS reporting)
 - Longitudinal analysis completed
 - System performance measures completed
 - PIT and HIC
 - In progress
 - Data collected already
 - Deadline 4/30/22
- Coordinated Entry Update (Robert Cochran)
 - Great participation in 2022
 - Made improvements with case staffings during RAMM beyond just approving households
 - 33 approved last year and 16 approved this year
 - Question about how long those approved households stay active and is there a definitive timeline/end point
 - Example of household approved March 2021, how long do they remain approved/active
 - Destri: if intending to verify/update living situation every 90 days then that would result in updated info (results in follow up and updated info on households) establish if there is still a need for services
 - Robert: inquired about 180 days once household is approved (focused on households who have not had contact for extended period of time)
 - May formally propose at future meeting (plan to evaluate updates on BNL before formally proposing but intends to propose during April 2022 meeting)
 - Stephanie A: explained this issue presented 2 years ago when funding was exhausted but still had households approved that had not identified housing
 - Laurel not aware of length deadline for CE list waitpool
 - Currently purging list and requesting updates for individuals previously approved
- Rapid Rehousing Update (Robert Cochran)

- \$55K approved, spent \$5250, just slightly behind on spending
 - 16 approved this year in 2022
 - Roughly \$50K remaining
- Back@Home Update (Robert Cochran)
 - Offered to extend through September 2022
 - Likely to operate through September 2022
 - HERE with Vaya partnership intends to continue services through end date
 - HERE: 1 Case Manager but still housing people of steady basis
 - 4 households housed this past month
 - Referrals can be made directly to CM (Katie Strong): 828-331-1270, can also call HERE for referrals as well
- Permanent Supportive Housing Update (Derek Lancour)
 - 41 households, 6 below grant minimum
 - In terms of persons housed, 34
 - 76 persons
 - 58 adults
 - 18 children
 - 1 exit, member w/partner, children
 - No new orientations / program entries
 - No move ins
- Spending for 9 months (May'21-Jan'22) is 60.01%. 90% target at 9 months is 67.5%, 100% at 9 months is 75%, current goal would be to be between 60.01% and 75% so there is work to be done in the remaining 3 months.
- Agency Report Outs
 - Jill Carter: Vet services of Carolinas
 - Part of ABCCM
 - Case Manager for Region 1; Jill 828-585-7965
 - Have RRH and continued prevention funds for vets
 - They screen and then are assigned a Case Manager
- Stephanie Almeida (Smoky Mtn Harm Reduction)
 - Call today about more discussion across NC about obtaining IDs
 - Received free ID through mail without documentation
 - Hope that all state agencies would be able to order IDs for folks
- HERE in Jackson Co
 - Recruiting for executive director position
 - Robert submitted resignation effective end of June 2022
 - Will submit to Derek to distribute the WNCH email group
 - any potential applicants should seek out

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

- **New Leadership nominees and voting**
 - **Region 1 Lead:** Viyanna Langager: Meridian/Blue Ridge Cherokee ACTT
 - *Stephanie A motioned, Robert C seconded, no further discussion, all in favor, no one opposed, the motion carries*
 - *Goes by “Vi”*
 - *15 years lived experience*
 - *Received PSS while homeless*
 - *Worked on ACTT on west coast and found passion for ACTT work*
 - *Cherokee County ACTT currently, Housing Specialist position*
 - *Passion is housing*
 - *solution focused is a strength*
 - **Region 1 Alternate Lead:** Derek Lancour: Vaya Health/PSH
 - *Vianna L motioned, Stephanie A seconded, no further discussion, all in favor, no one opposed, the motion carries*
- **Laurel McNamee NCCEH intro**
 - Agency starting to divide staff to attend each Regional Meeting
 - CoC Covers 79 NC counties
 - Available and supportive for Region 1
 - Supporting Region 1 leadership
 - Goal to attend at least once per quarter
 - Any questions about CoC, policy, coordination

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NEXT RAMM MEETING – 3/24/2022 at 11 AM

NEXT COALITION MEETING – 4/14/2022 at 10 AM