

NC Balance of State Continuum of Care
Southeast Region Homelessness Committee
Meeting Minutes – November 20, 2019

Emily Locklear	In Attendance:
Hollie Oxendine	- Executive Director, Southeastern Family Violence Center
Jamonica Watson	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Stephanie Powers	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Cicely Pighet	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Tasmon Smith	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Latasha McNair	- Eastpointe
Clementine Thompson-McCormick	- Lumberton Christian Care
David Edmunds	- Lumberton Christian Care
Rosemarie Glen	- My Refuge
Brian Fike	- Trillium NC
Virginia Locklear	- Robeson County Rape Crisis Center

1. Meeting called to order at 11:04am – Emily Locklear
2. **Introduction of Committee** (those in attendance) and Regional updates
3. **Review and Approval of Minutes from October 16, 2019**
 - a. Motion to accept by Hollie Oxendine and second/carried by David Edmunds (No discussion)
4. **Regional Committee Elections**
 - a. A list of Local Leadership & Regional Committee Roles & Responsibilities was given to each person present at the meeting. There are still positions available that need to be filled by an agency other than Southeastern Family Violence Center.
 - b. Emily Locklear nominated Rosemarie Glen for the COC PRC (Project Review Committee) Lead and she accepted.
 - c. A Secretary/Webmaster and Alternate Lead needs to be elected.
5. **PIT Count**
 - a. The date for the 2020 PIT Count will be 1/29/2020 from 4:00pm – 12:00am
 - b. An Information flyer is currently available. It includes how and why the PIT count is conducted. Everyone should be giving out the same information, therefore the flyer will eliminate confusion about the actual count.
 - c. The surveys will be conducted electronically again. United Way will be contacted to see if their 14 tablets can be utilized again this year.
 - d. Southeastern Family Violence Center will be the lead agency. Emily Locklear asked for other agencies to assist if they would like.
 - e. Southeastern Family Violence Center has put up a flyer on their Facebook page asking the community for coats, blankets, socks and hats. Emily Locklear asked that everyone share the post if they can.
 - f. Hollie Oxendine volunteered to contact Chic Fila for the free meals to be given out.

- g. Emily Locklear mentioned the importance of reaching out to our Faith Based community.
 - i. Hollie Oxendine will make a post on SFVC's Facebook page "Calling all Churches" to ask for assistance with the PIT count. The post will include Rape Crisis, My Refuge, Lumberton Christian Care, and Church and Community Center.
- h. Hollie Oxendine will reach out to Sheriff Wilkins to ask for Deputies to assist with reaching the outlying communities. (We are hoping for at least five)
- i. It was mentioned that maybe individuals could attend a City Council meeting to ask for support and reach to Ms. Kay Freeman for assistance from Vocational Rehabilitation.
 - i. In addition, the Census Bureau was mentioned as a possible resource to locate homeless individuals
- j. More outreach needs to be conducted to ensure the homeless population is familiar with us and why we are doing the PIT count.
- k. Lumberton Christian Care and My Refuge will both participate again this year and LCC will have a white flag night.

6. RRH Program

- a. In 2019 a total of 58 families were served.
- b. Currently out of funds, but SFVC has been refunded for another year starting in January 2020.
- c. Ms. Jamonica is still doing assessments and adding client to the waiting list.

7. B@H Program

- a. To date 73 families have been helped.
- b. The program has been refunded until June 2021
- c. Trillium serves Columbus County and has served 200 families through their B@H program.

8. Coordinated Assessment

- a. Hollie Oxendine reminded everyone to record their assessments in the Google Docs. It makes it easier for reports to be turned in on time.
- b. The CA needs to be revisited to include the new agencies and remove others that are not participating and change the prioritization schedule for the Waitlist.
 - i. Latasha McNair, Jamonica Watson, Virginia Locklear, Hollie Oxendine, Clementine Thompson-McCormick, and Emily Locklear will meet before the next meeting and present the changes to the group at the next meeting.
 - ii. Hollie will send out an email and a doodle poll to see when is the best time to meet about changing the current prioritization schedule.
 - iii. Hollie asked Latasha what type of prioritization schedule was used for Region 10. Latasha McNair said they use the VI-SPDAT score 1st and then the length of time they've been homeless if the VI-SPDAT score is the same for multiple clients.

9. Announcements – My Refuge will:

- a. Give away 100 turkey dinner boxes on 11/22/2019 (from a donation made possible by Prestige Farms). Their annual Thanksgiving Meal will be on 11/23/2019 from 1:00pm-4:00pm and their Christmas Meal on Saturday December 21, 2019.
- b. It will be closed from Sunday, December 22, 2019 – Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Next meeting – December 18, 2019 at 11:00am at Southeastern Family Violence Center

Meeting adjourned at 11:46am