

NC Balance of State Continuum of Care
Southeast Region Homelessness Committee
Meeting Minutes – July 15, 2020

In Attendance:

Hollie Oxendine	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Cicely Pighet	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Jamonica Watson	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Latasha McNair	- Eastpointe
Debbie Garner	- Eastpointe
Clementine Thompson-McCormick	- Lumberton Christian Care
Virginia Locklear	- Robeson County Rape Crisis Center
Laurie Jacobs	- Community Care of North Carolina

1. Meeting called to order at 11:02am – Hollie Oxendine
2. **Introduction of Committee** (those in attendance) and Regional updates
3. **Review and Approval of Minutes from May 20, 2020**
 - a. Motion to accept by Cicely Pighet and second/carried by Virginia Locklear.
4. **HMIS System**
 - a. NCEH wants everyone to use one system for reporting. (The HMIS system is what is being required to be in place by October)
 - b. Emily and Hollie had a phone conference about how our Region should move forward with the mandatory execution of the HMIS system. It was recommended that EastPointe take on the Coordinated Entry Lead role and input our Region’s information into the HMIS. (Southeastern Family Violence Center is not allowed to use the HMIS system because we are a DV agency)
 - c. All reports beginning October 2020 would be generated from HMIS
5. **CoC Competition**
 - a. There is movement towards cancelling the FY20 CoC Competition.
 - b. Current grantees could be renewed at FY19 award levels with adjustments for Fair Market Rents
6. **B@H Program**
 - a. Southeastern Family Violence Center will not be applying for the CoVid Response B@H. However, Volunteers of America will be applying for those funds for our Region.
 - b. There is currently five (5) potential clients and one (1) new client was helped last month.
 - c. No more 211 referrals but allowing self-referrals and client to client referrals.
7. **Coordinated Assessment –**
 - a. Hollie mentioned changing the prioritization schedule.
 - i. Currently the Prioritization schedule is based solely on the VI-SPDAT score. However, as we have been using the prioritization schedule, we have found that it is not working. Clients that are in great need may not score high enough to be helped.

- ii. Most clients that are referred by Red Cross can not be helped because their VI-SPDAT score is between 4-6. However, they are in need of immediate assistance and most times only the initial deposits.
- b. Natasha added that some other Regions are adding CoVid to their criteria.
- c. Jamonica mentioned the difficulty in housing people because there is a lack of available properties being rented.

8. Agency Updates

- a. SFVC has five (5) individuals left in the motel. *They get a 30 day stay and a food bag once a week. **At this time, SFVC has projected to be out of funds for hotel stays after the remaining individuals received their 30 days**
- b. SFVC's shelter still remains open with a limited capacity of FOUR (4).
- c. Lumberton Christian Care is still operating with a FIVE (5) person capacity but will make exceptions if someone has a small baby. Lunch is still being served daily.

Next meeting – August 19, 2020 at 11:00am at Southeastern Family Violence Center

Meeting adjourned at 11:37am