

Neuse Regional Meeting

November 10, 2021, 11:30 am

Introductions were made

In Attendance:

LaTasha McNair, Eastpointe
Candice Roundtree, Wilson County DSS
Felicia Williams, City of Goldsboro
Lisa Harrison, Greene County DSS
Zachary Branch, DVOP Wayne County
Andrea O'Brian, Wilson County DSS
Ashley Higson, Wilson County DSS
Cherie D. Lindsay, Chapman Wesley Shelter Wilson NC
Dr. Deniece Cole, Spiritual Destiny
Linda Walling, Hope Station
Sharon Dixon, Eastpointe
Sheryl Cox, Equipping the Saints Ministries
Captain Stephanie Blevins- The Salvation Army
Timothy Rogers, Wilson Housing Authority
Victor Kosinski, NC Works Veterans Career Advisor Lenoir County
Rory Springs, DVOP Wayne County
Angela Bates, Crystal Gwendo, Sharon Carney; Greene Lamp

Review of Minutes: Minutes were approved with corrections Gearldine to Jeraline and Lenior to Lenoir. Deniece motion with correction and Victor 2nd.

Covid-19 Response – Duplin – Dr. Deniece shared that there will be a food box give away at the Duplin County Event Center on November 24, 2021 and Duplin is at 50% vaccinated; Greene – nothing new to share; Lenoir –Greene Lamp Angela shared that they are accepting application for families through the CARES Act, CSBG; Sampson, no update; Wayne, city of Goldsboro continue to provide food boxes and covid supplies and shelter ; Wilson – Linda with Hope Station continues to get clients in shelter vaccinated, and are working on getting contract with City of Wilson.

Balance of State Short Summary – this was shared with the group by LaTasha. Sent out by email to review at your leisure.

Coordinated Entry – Linda reported that the pit count will be submitted and continued training for unsheltered data entry, discussed grant cycle of CE process. Discuss who is responsible for point count of the unsheltered in each county.

COC update – LaTasha reported that application process has finalized. Two agencies that applied COC funds, Eastpointe renewed for 2022 and Greene Lamp, Application will not move forward and therefore will not receive funding, discussion was presented by Crystal around the application submittal issues. Concerns from Zachary, Dr. Deniece and Crystal were also discussed. LaTasha read the information from the meeting discussing the issues and LaTasha shared her screen with additional information.

ESG Project Updates

Summary was presented by LaTasha, Hope station, Greene Lamp and Salvation Army

Annual ESG all applied, and the outcome was Greene Lamp received full funding plus additional \$18,000 fair share funds, Hope Station was approved with conditions (technical assistance) and Salvation Army was also approved with conditions but declined because they did not want to accept the conditions, they wanted to change to Rapid Re-Housing but was denied due to the time frame. No ESG Funds for Wayne or Duplin 2022 program year. Discussion was presented by Zachary and Captain Stephanie about Salvation Army decision.

Agency Updates

Linda, presented Hope station updates, with budget requests, updated hotel assistance, they declined shelter funds for next year due to the low barrier request, Linda discussed various processes and requirements of her program and document was shared on screen by LaTasha

Sharon, Presented Greene Lamp updates and the documents were shared on screen by LaTasha

Captain Stephanie, Salvation Army was not prepared for update, LaTasha noted that if anyone has any questions, please send them to her or Captain Stephanie.

LaTasha announced that it was time for Elections, LaTasha announced the different roles and named the individual in the current position as follows:

LaTasha McNair- Regional Lead

D.J. Cole- Regional Alternate ----- Crystal Gwendo wanted her name added to vote for this position

Linda Wailing s- Coordinated Entry

Unsheltered Point in Count- Sheryl Cox

Secretary- Sharon Carney

Web Master- Candice Roundtree

Project Review- Deniece Cole

Elections took place and the results were as follows:

Regional Lead - LaTasha McNair

Regional Alternate- Will be chosen by electronic votes due to the absence of current holder of position

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LaTasha reminded attendees of upcoming events and meetings.

2022 point in time count will take place the last Wednesday of January.

2022 Meeting scheduled for January 12.

Regional Meeting will take place once every quarter, January, April, September and November. Meeting will continue to be held virtual.

Agency updates ask to send as email, Wilson Greene next meeting is November 19, 2021, at 10:00 am,

Next Down East meeting December 8th.

Adjournment: LaTasha