



Piedmont Regional Committee (PRC)

Virtual Meeting - ZOOM
Wednesday, September 14 2022
10:00-12:00

Welcome and Introductions

Attendance Sheet

https://docs.google.com/document/d/10emLDfeS_nI05rrwPRpZhkE7K0wAGU5WJWHtRmlgaRE/edit?usp=sharing

Approval June minutes: Minutes approved as written.

Balance of State Update

- **Steering Committee Conference Call Debrief-** Kristen McAlhaney
 - **ESG Competition Updates:**
 - PRC and NCCEH staff reviewed applications. A new tool guide was used to review applications and complete scoring this year.
 - Agency's that did not meet the score requirements were not eligible to receive an increase in funding this cycle. Overall, for the state the scores were relatively low. All applicants will receive feedback on their applications and scores.
 - Regional committees met and gave input on attendance to determine eligibility. Erin Gaskin and Alecia Broadway represented Region 5. Region 5 was granted over \$300,000 in funding to be split between agencies within the region.
 - **NC BoS CoC 2022 Coordinated Entry Evaluation**
 - The NC BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Evaluations are completed annually in the Spring (April/May).
 - These surveys are to be distributed to individuals that have completed a VI-SPDAT and are receiving services by agencies within our region.

- The 2021 evaluation process identified three areas for improvement which included engagement, aligning provider survey with client survey, and ensuring that survey information is kept confidential.
- CoC is continuing to work on a new tool to ensure equitable access and representation within our regions.

□ **Racial Equity Subcommittee**

- Balance of State is continuing to look at all current policies and procedures with an equity lens to ensure equitable processes are in place throughout our regions.
- Ensuring racial equity is included in each agencies policies and procedures is imperative throughout our region.
- The Balance of State is continuing to finalize the assessment that will be used as an access point to review all the data and work that has been completed within our communities.
- The Balance of State is looking to recruit new members and expand the lived expertise council.
- Tuesday October 18th from 11:30am-1:00pm will be the next Racial Equity Dialogue. The focus will be on changes being implemented in the BoS regarding racial equity. There will be a panelist representative from region 5.
- **NCCEH Policy:**
<https://www.ncceh.org/media/files/files/9e1d6531/2022-anti-discrimination-policy-final-1-.pdf>

□ **Regional Roles and Elections:**

- December we will make nominations for regional roles in region 5:
 - **Regional Lead:** Kristen McAlhaney
 - Represents the region as a voting member of the Steering Committee (they meet once a month)
 - Facilitates local meetings
 - Serves as liaison between the Steering Committee and Regional Committee
 - **Regional Lead Alternate:** Kristine Wiles

- Represents the region as a voting member on the Steering Committee when RL is unavailable or has a conflict of interest.
- Facilitates HMIS Recruitment plan with the local subcommittee
- **Coordinated Entry Lead:** Teresa Robinson
 - Must be a person from SSO-CE funded agency
 - Facilitates local CE system
 - Ensures Regional Committee follows NC BoS CoC CE written standards and implements required system initiatives.
 - Ensures individuals we serve are being accessed through our coordinated entry system, updates our BNL, holds monthly CC meeting.
- **Webmaster/Secretary:** Meg Montemurro
 - Ensures completion of Regional Committee meeting minutes and attendance.
 - Updates information to region 5 Webpage.
 - Submits meeting agendas and minutes to NCCEH for posting.
- **Project Review Committee:** Erin Gaskin
 - Participates fully in review and scoring process for the annual CoC and ESG funding processes.
 - Does not have a conflict of interest and is not a current ESG or CoC applicant or grantee.
- **Unsheltered Access Coordinator Role:** Melissa McKeown
 - Work within our region to know what is happening with our street outreach programs or individuals living unsheltered in our communities.
 - Continuing to work on a living document to showcase individuals that are accessing services from street outreach funded agencies.

- Taking a deeper dive into the information that is entered into HMIS for our unsheltered clients enrolled in street outreach projects.

PRC Coordinated Entry Overview- Teresa Robinson, Coordinated Entry Lead

Our System: Cabarrus, Davidson, Rowan, Stanly, Union. Which includes: Emergency Shelters, Domestic Violence Shelters, Day Shelters, Veteran Partners, Street Outreach Partners.

- **Eligibility-** Anyone who is: sleeping in a place not meant for habitation, residing in a homeless shelter, fleeing domestic violence, at risk of losing housing in 14 days.
- **Coordinated Entry:** System to increase efficiency in how individuals and families experiencing a homeless crisis access programs and services in a streamlined way.
- **Back@Home Triage:** This project will be closed out September 30th. Individuals must be closed out on the triage list prior to the close out of the project. Individuals can be closed out by referring to coordinated entry, enrolling in agency housing program or due to no contact/not eligible.
- **Coordinated Entry Plan:** Voting on new policy elements will happen at the next scheduled Case Conferencing meeting. Street Outreach Updates: - interim updates must be completed in HMIS for individuals enrolled in an agency's street outreach project when contact is made. Interim updates should be completed at least every 30 days. If a client exits emergency shelter into an unsheltered destination, they will be kept in coordinated entry for 90 days. DV shelters will work with Teresa to track and record DV households, once referred to housing agency they must record that they have been referred from a DV agency. Exits from shelter must reflect the accurate destination of the individual and if a program was utilized for this exit. An example would be leaving shelter; unsheltered, housed through RRH, housed through PSH etc.

2022 Quarter Taskforce Reports---

As a region it is crucial that we continue to ramp up our efforts to meet and collaborate with providers in our counties to build these taskforces.

Rowan- Task force meetings have been in place for over a year. Resources fair will be held on October 1st at Rowan Helping Ministries. Reunification and Relocation has been a focus; 8 clients have been able to relocate through the outreach housing coordinator with funding through crisis department within the county.

Cabarrus- There is a heavy focus on the re-entry program which works with clients coming out of incarceration, homelessness, or treatment. Agencies are working to connect individuals with resources

in the community including housing. Currently Cabarrus County has 40 referrals out through EHV with 6 housed. Working with individuals that currently have vouchers to find housing options has also been a focus.

Stanly- Taskforce meetings continuing to take place. Continuing to see barriers to EHV vouchers being used and individuals being able to find housing.

Union- Thrive Union is continuing to meet once a month. Community agencies are meeting to update on resources within the county. Planning a poverty simulation in Union County for November.

Davidson- Taskforce meetings have been in place. Continuing their work to raise funds for new shelter in Davidson County. Hoping to open by the first of the year.

Other Business-

- Racial Equity Dialogue: October 18th 11:30am-1:00pm.
- HMIS Trainings and Webinars: Reach out to HMIS Data Center.
- PRC Quarterly Meeting: December 14th @ 10am.
 - We will be voting on leadership roles at this meeting.

Navigate [ncceh.org](https://www.ncceh.org) website

- Send Webpage Updates for Region 5 to Meg Montemurro at meghan.montemurro@unionshelter.org

The Piedmont Regional Committee minutes are on the Region 5 webpage <https://www.ncceh.org/bos/region5/>

Coordinated Entry Case Conferencing meeting immediately follows the Regional Committee meeting

***Next Quarterly Piedmont Regional Committee meeting**

December 14th 2022- via ZOOM