

**NC Balance of State Continuum of Care
Southeast Region Homelessness Committee
Meeting Minutes –May 18, 2022**

In Attendance:

Emily Locklear	-Southeastern Family Violence Center
David Edmonds	-Lumberton Christian Care
Amanda John	-Laurinburg DSS
Cynthia Quintero	-RCC
Kelvin Hyke	-Eastpointe
Brian Alexander	-NCCEH
Hollie Oxendine	-Southeastern Family Violence Center
Jamonica Watson	-Southeastern Family Violence Center
Stephanie Powers	-Southeastern Family Violence Center
Anna Register	-Southeastern Family Violence Center
Latasha McNair	-Eastpointe
Kim Archie	-NC Commission of Indian Affairs
Tina Barnes-Dawson	-Robeson County Department of Social Services
Denise Riggings	-Scotland County Church and Community Center

1. **Meeting called to order** at 11:03am – Emily Locklear
2. **Introduction of Committee** (those in attendance)
3. **Review and Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2022**
David Edmonds made a correction to information. Emily Locklear agreed to make change.
Motion to approve minutes: David Edmonds
Second to Motion: Latasha McNair
4. **COC Competition**
Emily informed that link to application will be if it has not been sent for those interested in COC competition.
SFVC has applied
Emily provided overview of program
5. **Regional Committee Position Still Available- Unsheltered Access Coordinator**
Brian Alexander provided description of the position, need for position to be filled, and importance of shared responsibilities in order for the outcome to be success
6. **Local Recovery Funds**
 - ARP funding through Lumber River United Way
 - Application called community support. Lumber River
7. **Emergency Housing Vouchers Update**
 - Emily Locklear discussed call with Scotland Co. housing authority regarding eligibility criteria and who is allowed to do referrals.
 - Client must be: Literally homeless (not prevention) housing authorities encouraged to refer Clients to community agencies in order to properly verify homelessness.

- Adjustments made to byname list in order for Scotland, Bladen, and Columbus County to access list.
- Readiness for PSH clients to move forward discussed with Latasha McNair

8. B@H Program COVID

- Anna Register provided update for Back at Home
- Recently moved in five individuals in the past month
- 384 people have called into 211 for our counties
- Currently have assisted 173 individuals/families
- Currently assisting 77 individuals/families
- 102 people in housing search
- Will be making referrals to Section 8 as well as Emergency Housing Vouchers
- Program will end in September 30th, 2022
- Extension applied for until September 2023
- Funds have been reallocated for tents, sleeping bags, personal hygiene packages
- Emily Locklear requested surrounding county needs in order to assist using COVID funds

9. Rapid Rehousing Program

- 27 Active families
- 10 individuals/families housed
- 14 individuals/families are searching for housing
- 13 on the waiting list for the Rapid Rehousing Program
- Currently housed receiving assistance 10 families
- Currently looking for landlords

10. Permanent Supportive Housing

- 8 in program and all are full
- Working towards clearing those slots in order to assist more

11. HUD VASH/ Veteran Services Update

- Lumbee Tribe Veterans Stand Down, May 21st
- Will be held at Boys and Girls Club 120 Youth Drive, Pembroke
- Flyer on Lumbee Tribe Website

12. Coordinated Entry/Assessments

- Still In the process of updating coordinating entry/assessment process within a database from Google Doc to Osnum
- Trying to figure out how to print information using prioritization but issues will be worked out and somewhat different.

13. Agency Updates/ Announcements

- Veteran standown May 21st 10-2pm
- Debbie Garner will be out of office for extended period of time. If assistance needed contact Latasha McNair directly.
- Lumberton Christian care limited to space for housing and still serving meals out of back door.
- Southeastern Community Action will be going to Scotland Co. Church and Community providing services with food boxes May 20 to seniors and June 3rd for rental and utility assistance. Denise Riggins encourages other counties

- Rape Crisis', prevention specialist announces community outreach project assisting homeless.
- Kelvin Hyke introduced to Committee

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:02pm

- Next meeting – June 5, 2022 at 11:00am at Southeastern Family Violence Center via ZOOM
- Case Conferencing permitted