

Northeastern Homeless Coalition
Region 11

December 8, 2022

Minutes

Those Present:

- Lakitra Claude – Trillium
- Tammy Kittrell – Trillium
- Michele Welsh – Trillium
- Altisha Edmond – Inspiring
- Cherri Brunson – ARHS
- Lillian Dance – EIC, Inc.
- Kinsha Richey – Touched by Loving Hands
- Kisha Darden – Trillium
- Victoria Gray – River City CDC
- Nicole Wilson – Durham VA
- Anne Cooper – Pasquotank DSS
- Brad Gravely – River City CDC

Roll Call/Introductions

- Everyone on the call introduced themselves and stated what agency they were from. Today, two new agencies joined the call – Inspiring Greatness and Touched by Loving Hands.

PIT Count – Michele Welsh

- The PIT count will take place on January 25, 2023
- It is important that we report as many unsheltered homeless individuals as possible in each county. Funding for the region depends on the data that we collect
- Survey potentially unsheltered clients
 - The survey can be conducted over the phone or in-person
 - When conducting the survey, as the individuals where they slept or plan to sleep the night of the 25th
 - Surveys are only valid if they are completed within 1 week after the 25th
- Since the region doesn't have a Unsheltered Access Coordinator, each region will need a point person
- The CE Lead will work close with the Unsheltered Access Coordinator to help support planning and action, help with unsheltered count data entry, and help influence relationships, as needed
- In the future, we would like to have street outreach in the region
- The CE Lead will be sent a \$100 Visa gift card to help purchase items to be placed in “goodie bags” for the homeless

Lived Expertise Advisory Council

- The LEAC has open seats starting January and are looking for people to fill those seats.

- The LEAC is a subcommittee of the NC BoS CoC Steering Committee composed of people who have experienced homelessness.
- Participation in the LEAC is compensated at \$15/hr. with a cap of 5 hours per month. The meetings are the second Friday of the month from 12pm – 1pm.
- Qualifications
 - Have experienced homelessness within the last 7 years (or are still experiencing homelessness)
 - Participated in the services within the NC BoS CoC (shelter, outreach, RRH, PSH, etc.)
 - Passionate about improving the system, telling their story, and helping others
- If you, or someone you know may be interested in serving on the council, please let Lakitra know

Elections for Regional Leadership

- The following positions need to be filled: Regional Lead, Regional Alternate, Funding Process Lead, PIT Lead/Unsheltered Access Coordinator, Webmaster, and Project Review Committee Representative
 - The roles and responsibilities of each position was shared with the committee
 - No one volunteered to fill any of the positions. It was shared with the committee the importance of having those seats filled.
 - Since no one volunteered for a position, another election will take place on December 12th
 - There will be a webinar on December 14th from 11:00am – 12:00pm to help orientate new leaders
 - Anyone can attend the webinar; you don't have to be in a leadership position

Case Conferencing

- Updates were given on individuals that were conferenced during past meetings
- New cases were presented for housing programs

Agency Updates

- River City CDC – not accepting referrals at this time; they are out of funds

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:33am. A special election will be held on December 12th and the next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 9:00am.

******Due to confidentiality, case conferencing notes are not included with the minutes******