

**Region 12 (Inner Banks) Minutes  
Regional Meeting NC Balance of State,  
Continuum of Care  
August 10,2022- 9:00 AM**

**Virtual Meeting Due to COVID-19**

**Attendance**

Tujuanda Sanders, Greenville Housing Authority (Host)  
Naomi Anderson, Community Crossroads Center  
Phoenix Hinson, City of Greenville  
Melissa Eastwood, Trillium Health Resources  
Devinder Culver-Greenville Police Department  
James Rhodes-Pitt County Planning Alt  
Lynne James, Pit County Planning  
James Cox, Pitt County Planning  
Angela Bates, Green Lamp  
Deloris Farmer, Pitt County Planning  
Bridgette Moore, Green Lamp-Pitt County  
Kashita Jackson- ECU Health  
Eric Chester- Trillium Health Resources  
Stephanie Elliott- Greenville Housing Authority  
Toyta Kee- ECU Health  
Gerri Ashe- Access East  
Kim Anderson- Pitt County Schools  
Laura Coleman- Center for Domestic Violence Prevention  
Tameka Edwards- Greenville Housing Authority  
Janet Parks-  
Charnel Williams- Port Health Services  
Geanine Hill- Volunteers of America  
Kirk Foster-  
Margaret Dixon- Pitt County Planning  
Kisha Darden- Trillium Health Resources  
Lakitra Claude- Trillium Health Resources  
Catonia Pitt- Center for Domestic Violence Prevention  
Lori Guttman- City of Greenville  
Jennine Cole-

**Welcome**

Tujuanda Sanders opened the meeting and called for introductions.

**Consideration of August 2022 Regional Meeting Minutes**

Minutes were presented to the group by Tujuanda Sanders for review. Lynne James offered a motion for approval and was seconded by Devinder Culver.

## **Updates/Reports**

Guest Speaker: Toyta Kee, M.Ed, ECU Health.

Topic: Talent pipeline for Health Equity & Social Impact. This program aims to create pathways through community engagement and partnerships to address health disparities. Joy Soup kitchen, located at 700 Albemarle Ave, Greenville, NC 27834, has two kiosks for individuals in the community to fill out and submit job applications. Serving as the conveyor, Toyta Kee, will assist individuals with applying for jobs. Don't hesitate to get in touch with her for more information at 252-417-3179 or [Toyta.Kee@vidanthhealth.com](mailto:Toyta.Kee@vidanthhealth.com). ECU Health Careers link <https://careers.ecuhealth.org/>

**Point In Time-** Stephanie reports the Unsheltered Access Team met last Tuesday, 8/2/2022, to make care packages and discuss community involvement. The group is in its 3<sup>rd</sup> round of calling and verifying the homeless individuals/families in the community. The group will meet Tuesday, 8/15/2022 @10am to discuss future actions. The Unsheltered Access Team encourages volunteers; please contact Stephanie Elliott if interested.

**Emergency Solutions Grant-** Pitt County Planning is a returning applicant applying for \$75,000 for the Rapid Rehousing Program. The funds will assist with case management, housing search, application fees, security deposits, the first month's rent, moving expenses, and utility deposits. In addition, Pitt County Planning is requesting \$1,600 for HMIS equipment.

The **Center for Family Violence Prevention** is a returning grant applicant that is applying for \$77,282 to cover emergency shelter services, staffing, rent, utilities, operational expenses, supplies, the onsite crisis line, client intakes, and overnight and weekend staff as well as funding for HMIS to add another user to the system. Naomi Anderson offered a motion for approval for the 2022 ESG grant competition applicants that was seconded by Stephanie Elliott.

### **(APPLICANTS APPLYING FOR ESG AND COC GRANTS RECUSE THEMSELVES FROM VOTING)**

**2022 CoC grant competition presentation and vote** – GHA has 4 renewals, Project Hope and Seeds of Change (provide rental assistance for people who are chronically homeless and serves individuals and families), Project Stable Solutions and Solid Ground (provide rental assistance and supportive services (transportation, food, etc. to individuals and families who are chronically homeless with disabilities). GHA has 1 new application for Project LIFE (to provide rental assistance and supportive services to the same population. The goal is to assist 25 households; these grants will serve the entirety of Region 12 (Washington, Bertie, Pitt, Martin, and Beaufort counties). The proposed budget for all grants is \$1,350,815.00.

**Trillium-** Renew three Permanent Supportive Housing Grants for all three regions (Regions 11, 12, 13). These grants serve individuals who are experiencing homelessness and who have Physical Disabilities, suffer from Mental Illness, Substance Use, and Intellectual Disabilities with rental assistance.

**Greene Lamp-** Is applying for Martin & Beaufort Counties to offer Rapid Rehousing to assist families in extremely rural areas experiencing homelessness. This grant will help with rent and food and add to the other programs offered in the area. In some of the extremely rural areas, the funding will target Seniors,

Veterans, LGBT, and the chronically homeless. The estimated funding request to assist 18-20 individuals is \$5,985 per participant.

**Pitt County Planning-** Renewal application for Rapid Rehousing \$121,000 anticipating adjustment due to fair market rent. The funds will assist with case management (one-on-one), rental assistance (sec dep/1<sup>st</sup> & last month's rent), utility deposit, wrap-around services, transportation, food, and employment resources. The RRH program can serve individuals and families for up to 24 months and targets special populations, including veterans, disabled households, substance use, mental/ physical disabilities, and youth ages 18-24. Naomi Anderson offered a motion for approval of the 2022 COC grant competition applicants that was seconded by Laura Coleman.

### **Community Resources & Agency Updates**

**Greene Lamp-** Bridgette Moore reports Greene Lamp Community Action is currently hosting a DEFEATING POVERTY Event today in Kinston, NC, at Grainger Stadium from 10:00 am-2:00 pm. This one-day one-stop event is to provide services for families.

**Eviction Diversion-** Lori Guttman explained that the City Manager and the City Council are putting together a closed workshop to update funds and establish a public hearing in October for their American Rescue Plan allocation. Once the allocation plan and draft are ready, the City will post information on the City of Greenville website for feedback and comments from the public.

**Greenville Housing Authority's Housing Stability Counseling Program Grant-** Tameka Edwards (Neighborhood Services Coordinator) informed the group of the Housing Stability Counseling Program, provided by the American Rescue Plan Act in response to the pandemic. The program aims to prevent evictions, foreclosures, delinquencies for renters, and homeowners. The program also assists with locating rental housing. Contact counselor Kimberly White (252.329.4056) or counselor Tameka Edwards (252.329.4036) for financial counseling and assistance with locating housing.

**Coordinated Entry-** Lynne reports she is maintaining the by-name list and coordinating weekly case conferencing. The coordinated entry grant is halfway through the current grant cycle. To remain in compliance with activities, Coordinated Entry will work alongside Trillium to have the Back-at-Home enrollees removed from the by-name list and those in places not meant for habitation will transition to the Region 12 list. Individuals and families not living in homeless locations will come off the list by the end of September. Coordinated Entry meets monthly to update the veterans' by-name list and to establish housing resources.

**TANF-** Naomi reports funds are exhausted; the program is not taking applications until August 15, 2022.

### **Housing Program Updates**

**Trillium Health Resources-** No update

**Community Crossroads Center-** The shelter is at capacity & Non-Congregate Hotel Program is possibly full.

**Pitt County Rapid Rehousing Programs (ESG & COC)-** Both programs still have funding and welcome appropriate referrals.

**Center for Family Violence Prevention-** Currently have available beds for families.

## **Announcements**

Greenville Police Department and Uptown Greenville hosted the 38th annual National Night Out Tuesday, August 3, from 5 pm-8 pm at Five Points Plaza, as well as in the neighborhoods of Kearney Park, Moyewood, Colonial Heights, Cypress Glen, Lakewood Pines, and the Barnes-Ebron-Taft Community Center in Greenfield Terrace. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and public camaraderie to make our City a better place to live. National Night Out was a success!

Applicants Pay attention to ESG, COC & PSH deadlines. The COC's intent to apply deadline is today, and the final submission is by August 19, 2022. Please meet the deadline; due to the scoring system, if not submitted on time, the applicant will score low, possibly affecting funding. The group may meet next week during case conferencing to rank and vote for final approval for COC & ESG applicants.

**Adjournment-** Motion by Lynne James and seconded by Devinder Culver.

## **Special Regional 12 Meeting- August 17, 2022**

Recommendation of Funding- (APPLICANTS APPLYING FOR ESG AND COC GRANTS RECUSE THEMSELVES FROM VOTING)

Center for Family Violence Prevention Center, returning applicant, is applying for \$77,282 to cover emergency shelter services. Motion to approve by Naomi Anderson and seconded by Phoenix Hinson. All in favor, no opposition, motion approved.

Pitt County Planning is a returning applicant applying for \$75,000 for the Rapid Rehousing Program and \$1,600 for HMIS equipment. Motion to approve by Phoenix Hinson and seconded by Naomi Anderson. All in favor, no opposed, motion approved.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 @9am (Virtual)