

NC Balance of State Continuum of Care
Southeast Region Homelessness Committee
Meeting Minutes – March 15, 2023

	In Attendance:
Emily Locklear	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Hollie Oxendine	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Cicely Pighet	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Shelita Odom	- Southeastern Family Violence Center
Dr. Dia Thomas	- Bladen County Schools
Shaneitha Lee	- Public Schools of Robeson County
Clementine Thompson-McCormick	- Lumberton Christian Care
Sharon	- Caring Touch
Latasha McNair	- Eastpointe
Kelvin Hyke	- Eastpointe
Kim Archie	- NC Commission of Indian Affairs
Kamryn Locklear	- Robeson County Rape Crisis Center
Anna Register	- Lumbee Tribe of NC
Kameron Lewis	- UNC-Pembroke
Lisa Wallace	- Social Security Administration
Jennifer Cain	- Families First, Columbus County
Brian Fike	- Trillium NC
Tyler Thomas	- Town of Pembroke
Raisa Jones	- NC Commission of Indian Affairs
Denise Riggins	- Scotland Co. Church & Community Center

1. Meeting called to order at 11:06am – Hollie Oxendine
2. **Introduction of Committee** (those in attendance) and Regional updates
3. **Review and Approval of Minutes from February 2023**
 - Motion to accept Denise Riggins by second/carried by Dr. Dia Thomas.
4. **Regional Leadership**
 - We still need someone to volunteer for the Unsheltered Access Coordinator position
 - At this time, the CE Lead is still open. Caring Touch, United Way, & NC Commission of Indian Affairs are possibilities.
 - Shaneitha Lee volunteered for the Project Review Committee Representative. Latasha McNair made a motion to accept the position and all voted to accept.
5. **COC Funding**
 - Webinars are available.
 - Intent to apply must be submitted
 - Scorecard committee would recommend new and returning projects
 - i. As the Project Review Committee representative, Ms. Shaneitha Lee will review and submit projects to be funded.

6. NC HFA Funding

- Two different projects
 - i. Rental housing and noncongregate sheltering
 - ii. Low income housing is needed; if anyone knows of developers for housing, please share this information
 - iii. Organizations must be 5013c, present their most recent audit, and been in business for three years
 - iv. There will be two phases; all sites must be preapproved- 1st phase will consist of a site evaluation
 - v. Must be submitted by May 31, 2023
- This is the funding we have been waiting for, so please consider if it is within your capacity to do so.
- This is a forgivable loan

7. B@H Program COVID/CRF Funds

- Currently serving 9 individuals now
- 7 are currently in housing search
- Funding will end September 2023
- To date we have housed 107 families/individuals in this program

8. Rapid Re-housing Program Update

- We are currently receiving referrals for RRH
- We currently have 7 active clients receiving financial assistance and supportive services
- All referrals verifying the client's homeless status should be sent to Hollie at SFVC until the CE Lead is determined for our Region.

9. PSH Update

- Robeson & Scotland Eastpointe – do have open beds
- Trillium serves Columbus & Bladen – no openings as of right now.
- Eastpointe completed a budget amendment and has a few more slots for housing still available. They are currently working with individuals on the waitlist to be housed.

10. HUD VASH/Veteran Services Update

- No updates at this time

11. Coordinated Entry/Assessment

- In the process of finding a CE lead as stated before
- CE Lead – partners would refer to the CE Lead; they would complete the P&D, and then a VISPDAT and then prioritize according to their need which program they need.
- SFVC has been acting as the call center
- Hopefully by our next meeting will have more information about who the new CE Lead will be.

12. Agency Updates/Announcements

- Trauma Informed (<https://www.fact.virginia.gov/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/FACT-ISSUE-BRIEF-TRAUMA-INFORMED-Homeless-Intervention-FINAL.pdf#:~:text=Experiencing%20marginalization%2C%20criminalization%2C%20and%20violence%20is%20traumatic%20in,dignity%2C%20and%20building%20resilience%20in%20homeless%20service%20settings.>)

- Social Security has updated their website and is increasing their outreach.
- NC Commission on Indian Affairs will host Healing Circles twice a month
- Emily clarified the Region's Housing programs
 - i. RRH-for clients who are literally homeless, no prevention funds are available
 - ii. RRH-DV– For clients who are experiencing and attempting to flee DV
 - iii. RRH-CV – Still have some funding left but will be used for those individuals who still qualify and originally applied for that specific program.
 - iv. PSH – slots available as mentioned by Latasha. Clients must be literally homeless as well as well as chronically homeless
 - v. Veteran services – Carla Clark-McRae with the Lumbee Tribe of NC (LTNC) is the contact person
 - 1. Please be advised LTNC veteran services are for all individuals and they also work with non-natives

Next meeting – April 19, 2023 at 11:00am at Southeastern Family Violence Center

Meeting adjourned at 12:09 pm