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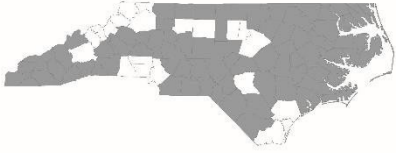
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NC Balance of State CoC Steering Committee Consent Agenda and Updates

October 3, 2023

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Section I. NC BoS CoC Steering Committee Consent Agenda

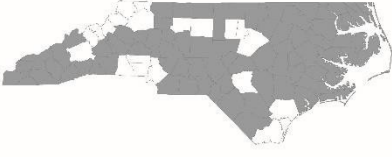
The following will be voted on at the October 3, 2023, NC BoS CoC Steering Committee meeting:

September 12, 2023, Steering Committee Minutes

Available here: <https://www.ncceh.org/files/13227/>

**Any Steering Committee member may request to move an item off the consent agenda to be more thoroughly considered. Any such items will be discussed as a regular agenda item at the next Steering Committee meeting.*

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Section II. Updates

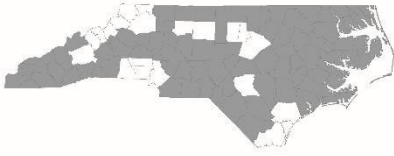
- **Unsheltered Access Coordination Meeting**
Thursday, October 5, 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
Presentation: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5799039481?pwd=UFkwNctLdUszeG94Y2prS0ttRkVmdz09>
Meeting ID: 579 903 9481
Passcode: qYqVY5
- **HMIS System Updates Meeting**
Tuesday, October 10, 10:30 – 11:30 A.M.
Register at: <https://www.ncceh.org/events/1644/>
- **Lived Expertise Advisory Council Meeting**
Friday, October 13, 12:00 – 1:00 P.M.
Presentation: <https://zoom.us/j/5799039481?pwd=UFkwNctLdUszeG94Y2prS0ttRkVmdz09>
Meeting ID: 579 903 9481
Passcode: qYqVY5
- **Coordinated Entry Council Meeting**
Monday, October 16, 10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.
Presentation: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84840397905>
Meeting ID: 848 4039 7905
- **Racial Equity Subcommittee Meeting**
Wednesday, October 18, 11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.
Presentation: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83264838597?pwd=TzVCWtM4WXdvSVJqbDVIR1I0NnMrUT09>
Meeting ID: 832 6483 8597
Passcode: 023622
- **Local Leadership Response Call**
Wednesday, October 18, 1:00 – 2:00 P.M.
Presentation: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83792461651>
Meeting ID: 837 9246 1651
- **Funding and Performance Subcommittee Meeting**

Thursday, October 26, 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Presentation: <https://meet.google.com/dep-rjxz-kze>

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Section III. Meeting Minutes and Supporting Materials

Lived Expertise Advisory Council

September 8, 2023, Minutes

Attendance: Alyce Knaflich, Rachelle Dugan, Joel Rice, Jaime Stepp, Laurel Benfield (staff), Elliot Rhodes (staff)

Membership and recruiting update -

Alyce shared that she is planning on stepping down from the LEAC, and many of her other CoC related roles, as she moves toward retirement and creates more space in her schedule. She will stay on the LEAC until the end of the year. The group congratulated her and thanked her for her service.

CoC program competition (LEAC certification of representation of PLE is required)

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Laurel presented a draft of a letter to include in the CoC Program Competition certifying that the LEAC exists and supports the NC BoS CoC to use CoC Program funding to prioritize the most vulnerable in each community. The group asked questions about how the letter would be used and how it would be linked to their personal identity and career. All present agreed to review and sign the document after a review.

Preparing for Client Bill of Rights trainings -

The group discussed planning for presenting information on the Client Bill of Right (CBoR) to Regional Committees, starting in October. Alyce confirmed that the LEAC is on the agenda for the Region 02 Committee meeting on Oct 5th. Laurel noted the need to include recruitment in the planning for these presentations, but not in Region 2, since membership from this Region is strong. Laurel will send the CBoR document and link to the recorded training to Regional Lead Emily Lowery for distribution ahead of the regional committee meeting. The expectation will be that agencies review the policy ahead of the meeting and come prepared for discussion. Staff suggested moving to regions in Eastern NC after October to include recruitment for the LEAC as an agenda item. Joel agreed to look into presenting in Region 09 for November, and staff will identify a second region as well. The agenda for each presentation is as follows:

Discuss the policy, reinforce its importance.

What you need from providers: post the CBoR, train their staff on the policy and its implications.

Discussion:

Recruitment (not region 2)

Budget goals for 2024 -

Laurel presented information that NCCEH is currently considering its budget for 2024, and asked the LEAC members what they thought should be prioritized in addition to hourly compensation. The LEAC noted the following:

Attending national conferences

Travel expenses for in-person meetings

In-person meeting (1 time per year)

Technical support (laptop or tablet)

Financial support for wifi bills

The meeting adjourned at 1:00pm.

Next meeting

October 13 at 12 P.M.

Racial Equity Subcommittee

September 20, 2023, Minutes

Attendees: Kennet Melgar, Dr. Deneice Cole, Lori Watts, Christina Rary, Bonnie Harper
Staff: Andrea Carey, Teresa Robinson, Laurel Benfield, Elliot Rhodes

Icebreaker: 15 minutes

Dialogue Planning: 20 minutes

Working title: Affordable Housing: Rethinking Housing Solutions in NC

Potential panelists:

Brick Capital CDC (Kerry Bradshaw) - housing development & housing services (agreed)

Poder Emma: Latinx housing cooperative (contacted)

Looking for suggestions for other panelists

Looking for suggestions for questions for panelists

Requesting dialogue facilitator volunteer from subcommittee : **Kennet**

Laurel: we want to step outside the conversation about how there isn't enough affordable housing, we want to discuss options, new ideas, novel approaches.

Christina: Rowan County police department homeless liaison, share resources, gather information, build relationships. Have funds to relocate to family members. Rowan Helping Ministries is immediate shelter growing space with transitional housing. Received donation of older buildings being retrofitted to apartment units. Contact for Rowan Helping Ministries:

Dennis Rivers, Victims - Witness / Homeless Advocate, Salisbury Police Department
Office: (704) 638-5342 | Cell: (980) 234-7942 | dennis.rivers@salisburync.gov

Another example of taking old warehouse/building and creating housing options:

<https://www.salisburypost.com/2021/12/09/redevelopment-will-turn-old-ford-dealership-into-64-housing-units/>

Bonnie: more talk about shared living, PSH program has done for 2 households. Takes a lot of work to have roommates, get individuals agree to shared living (a lot of people don't want that) but there are more 3-4 bedroom homes than 1-2 bedroom homes. Why providers don't offer classes about how to be a good roommate. Individuals with trauma, need to address that, support that.

Laurel: Allie & Laurel hosting forum for providers in emergency shelters on that topic the week before next RE Dialogue

Dr. Cole: study from 1998 about veteran shared housing, housing people with similar trauma, disaster. People not taking medication one of the biggest issues.

Dr Cole: Wake County buying extended stay hotels, converting to PSH.

Analysis Next Steps, Group Check-in: 20 minutes

Racial Equity Analysis: Action Steps

Naming impacts of committee:

Racial Equity Subcommittee impact

- Racial Equity Dialogue Series:
 - 12 events since 2020. Average attendance of over 50 people.
- Equity section in competition scorecards:
 - All applicants for both CoC and ESG submit responses based on their equity efforts.
- Racial Equity Analysis:
 - Annual dive into our data to determine where there are disparities and where the CoC should focus its efforts.
- Racial Equity Core Team:
 - Working to replace the VI-SPDAT

Christina on future work: barriers with social security card, birth certificates, barriers getting documentation. Blaming people once they turn 18 for their circumstances – how do we prevent abuse and get people empowered and tools they need to break cycles. Individuals who come from out of town seeking services, want to invite them into conversations. People without experience trying to make the decisions. Have individual relationships with housing authority, apartments to house people, seeking help shaping policies to formalize those informal practices.

Laurel: discussion of lived experience advisory committee, recruiting in eastern NC, looking for representation from people of color, collaboration is possibility.

Next meeting

October 18 at 11:30 A.M.

Next regular Steering Committee meeting:

Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 10:30 A.M.