

Minutes
NC Balance of State Continuum of Care
Region 11-Northeastern Homeless Coalition Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 12, 2023
1:00 PM (Virtual Meeting)

1. Welcome

2. Introductions

Kisha Darden-Trillium Health Resources
Debra Susie-North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness
Tammy Kitrell-Trillium Health Resources
Midge Hudyma-Elizabeth City Pasquotank Schools
Stephanie Wyche-Camden County Department of Social Services
Shari Fiveash-Room in the Inn
Stacia Billups-Pasquotank County Department of Social Services
Jacquelyn Miles- Hampton VA
Zinia Holley-Dungarvin
Wendy Overton- Pasquotank County Department of Social Services
Bethany Buttram- Perquimans County Emergency Management
Tonya Rollins-River City Community Development
Dr. Lenora Mackey-River City Community Development
Michelle Moore-River City Community Development
Anne Cooper-Pasquotank County Department of Social Services
Michele Welsh-Trillium Health Resources
Raymar Virgo-Volunteers of America
Marti Chick-Ebey-Hampton VA
Gretchen Hilburger- Hampton VA
Amy Modlin-Trillium Health Resources
Quentin Jackson-Spring Life
Cheri Blount-Albemarle Regional Health Services

3. Updates/Reports

A. Debra Susie, Project Specialist-NCCEH

NCCEH is working on a project to develop relationships with PHA's across the state. For Region 11 Mid-East Housing Authority would be a great place to start in attempting to start some activities with the PHA. Kisha will send Debra Susie the contact information for the PHA's in Region 11

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B. BoS Steering Committee, Kisha Darden-Regional Lead

Kisha shared the following from the BoS Steering Committee which occurred on 9-12-23.

- 2023 CE Evaluation reports were discussed. Our region did not have any participation in the surveys. We will work to be proactive for the next surveys in 2024.
- NC BoS Coc Client bill of rights was passed this past May. Beginning in October members of the lived experience committee will begin actively attending regional meetings to have in depth conversations about the implementation of the bill of rights.
- It is time for us to start preparing for our 2024 Regional Committee Leadership positions. New leadership will be effective starting January 2024 however, we should now begin to consider those interested in leadership roles. Regional Lead, Alternate lead, webmaster, etc.
- BoS CoC is offering several free beneficial trainings. Kisha will send the link out with the trainings and method to register.
 - Serving LGBTQIA+ Individuals Experiencing Homelessness: Training 1 of 2
Virtual THURSDAY, SEP 14, 2023, 9:30 A.M.
 - Serving LGBTQIA+ Individuals Experiencing Homelessness: Training 2 of 2
Virtual THURSDAY, SEP 28, 2023, 9:30 A.M. -
 - Anti-Discrimination Policy webinar Virtual THURSDAY, OCT 5, 2023, 3:30 P.M.
 - Emergency Shelter Innovation Series - Shared Housing Virtual WEDNESDAY, OCT 11, 2023, 1 P.M
 - Racial Equity Dialogue Series - Affordable Housing TUESDAY, OCT 17, 2023 11:30 A.M.
 - List of trainings and registration can be found at
<https://www.ncceh.org/events/search/>

C. Regional Unsheltered Access Coordination Workbooks

Quentin Jackson and Erica McCloud are Region 11 unsheltered access coordinators. Region 11's workbook has not been completed. The completion should be a collective effort from the region. Kisha will send workbook to Quentin and Ericka; they will solicit help from the region for completion. Kisha asked if the workbook could be completed by next meeting. The goal is for completion by the next meeting.

4. Presentation (PSH) Amy Modlin, Trillium Health Resources

Amy Modlin's presentation resulted in the discussion of those who receive a VI-SPIDAT are not always truthful and forthcoming perhaps due to fear of for example losing their children if homeless. Tammy K suggested those who administer VI-SPIDATs participate in motivational interviewing training. A free resource was suggested by Amy M. Four part series that includes Trauma Informed Care (TIC) and Motivational Interviewing (MI)

<https://hrctraining.org/knowledge-resources/article/2788/learning-community-trauma-informed-outreach>

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5. Community Resource & Agency Updates

- A. DSS-Pasquotank County-Energy Program starts December 1, 2023 -those in need of assistance may call or go to the agency to complete an application for assistance.
- B. Coordinated Entry- working toward a separate CE for Veterans. Michelle will reach out to those who these effects. Discussed the new smartsheet that should be completed along with the VI-SPDAT
- C. School System- 79 students served so far this year who need assistance only in the 11th day of school. Last year they served 144 and 112 students the year before. This includes students in school, young siblings not in school and other siblings not in school (working on GED etc.). Continuing to partner with other agencies to help with families in need of services.
- D. County- no updates or announcements
- E. Spring Life- The agency is seeing an increase in people presenting who need state funding for services and in need of medication refills. This is problematic because the individuals can not readily access state funded services due to the approval process.
- F. Dungarvin- no updates or announcements

6. Housing Program Updates

- A. River City Community Development- not providing any ESG shelter at this time, will start back in October after new funding. Housed three families and have a waitlist of over 30 people. Located a new building. Will start as temporary shelter then will become a homeless shelter for the city. Will serve as a congregate shelter. The building does need some renovations. This will allow them to move from the hotel method of shelter unless there is an emergent need to use a hotel. The goal is to have the facility open this quarter- before it gets cold. Can support twenty to twenty-five people. The idea is to house a family upstairs. The address of the building is 318 S Hughes Blvd Elizabeth City NC
- B. EIC- not present- no update
- C. Trillium Health Resources- CoC grant renewal application submitted for Rapid Rehousing and Permanent supportive housing.

7. Success Stories

River City's new shelter!

Trillium may have some good news to share for Region 11 at the next meeting.

8. Announcements

9. Adjourn