

Continuum of Care Monthly Meeting Minutes

Multi-Purpose Room
Greenville Housing Authority
1103 Broad St, Greenville, NC
Wednesday September 9, 2009 ~ 9:00am

Present: Paulette White (HMIS Pitt County Planning), Amy Modlin (ECBH), Tracie Campbell (PWR), Sharon Edwards (Pitt DSS), Rob Tripp (CHIN), Joyce Jones (NC STRIVE), Talaika Goss-Williams (ECBH), Sylvia Brown (COG), Sandra Anderson (COG), Allison Hamm (Bridges of Hope), Connie Newton (Martin Community Action), Collis Niro (VR), and Linda Mandell (AHOH/St. Timothy)

Minutes

Minutes for August reviewed and accepted with corrections.

Welcome & Introductions

Connie Newton announced that Martin County Community Action is now Martin Community Action

Balance of State (BoS)

SuperNOFA (Notice of Funding Availability) has not been released. Paulette will send out an email announcement when the NOFA has been released. All BoS funds have been committed through the pre-application process that ended in June.

City of Greenville

- CDBG End of Year Report – Sandra Anderson
Sandra presented the end of year Consolidated Plan report. The entire document can be viewed in the City of Greenville Offices at 201 W. 5th Street, 3rd Floor. CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) and HOME Partnership Investment are funds the City receives from HUD. The funds are used to meet the needs of low to very low income residents. Until June 30, 2009 the City of Greenville and Pitt County formed a HOME Consortium once it was dissolved the City of Greenville became its own HOME applicant beginning July 1, 2009.
Anyone in a community applying for federal money needs to be sure their grant complies with the goals of the Consolidated Plan. The narrative piece of the 2008-2013 Consolidated Plan draft can be viewed on the City of Greenville's webpage.
- Nonprofit 2010-2011 Funding Opportunity – Sylvia Brown
There will be a mandatory workshop on September 24th (Greenville City Hall, 3rd Floor in the Gallery) for any nonprofit interested in applying for CDBG funds. The workshops will be held at 12pm – 2pm and 6pm – 8pm. It is not necessary to attend both sessions. Applications will be given out at these sessions only and are due back in January of 2010. Pre-registration is not necessary. This money is for the public service piece of CDBG. They would like to fund nonprofits that serve the homeless population which would support the Pitt County 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness. Paulette will send out an email with information regarding the workshops. Agency capacity is an essential part of applying for this money.

CoC Officers

Paulette will continue as CoC chairperson and Amy will continue as CoC secretary.

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Carolina Homeless Information Network (CHIN)

Since Paulette has become the Pitt County 10 Year Plan Coordinator there is money left from her position as HMIS Coordinator. She proposed we use the money for CHIN training needs, ART license, and additional end user fees in the community (about 21 users are budgeted). In order for an agency to use HMIS funds and become an end-user it was suggested that they must attend 75% of all CoC meetings. This and the matter of establishing CoC by-laws will be discussed further at the October CoC meeting.

Rob reported that CHIN is working with HUD to update CHIN/HPRP intake forms. There will be CHIN/HPRP training in Greenville at Pitt DSS on Monday September 21st at 11:00am.

Community/Member Updates

- Sharon gave an update on the SOAR Program. DSS is working with an applicant from the hospital. Susanna Birdsong from NCCEH met with DSS and hospital discharge planners to give an overall update on SOAR. DSS has a Social Worker at the hospital that is acting as a point person. She has not been trained in SOAR yet but will be in the future. The community needs education as people are referring to SOAR for housing needs. Sharon will update the CoC monthly on SOAR.
- Sharon also announced that her church, Koinonia Christian Center, is giving away a house to a family who is living in a doubled up situation. They will be given the house on Saturday. The church also took applications for families in need of emergency assistance. They can receive up to \$3000.00 per family. The church received over 150 applications for 12-15 awards.
- Annual STRIVE fundraiser will be 09/17/09 at 6:30pm at Cornerstone Family Life Center. \$30 per person. The event will spotlight STRIVE graduates and this year Judge Regina Parker will be the guest speaker.
- Linda Mandell announced that St. Timothy's Annual Lobster Fair to be held on October 25, 2009 from 9:00am to 4:30pm. Lobsters are \$15 and can be cooked onsite. There will be over 40 vendors there including: bake sale, craft sale, and silent auction.
- Paulette is selling raffle and lunch tickets for Habitat for Humanity. They are 10\$ a piece. Proceeds go toward sponsoring a house. If you only want to purchase a raffle ticket they are \$5 and the prize is a Subaru Station Wagon. The lunch will be on 10/07/09 and includes chicken and barbeque.

The **next Pitt County Continuum of Care meeting will be Wednesday October 14, 2009 at 9:00 AM** in the Multi-Purpose Room Greenville Housing Authority 1103 Broad St, Greenville, NC.