

Kerr-Tar Regional Housing Committee

September 23, 2014

Monthly Minutes

Attendees: *Angela Harris-Harbour House, Ann Grant-ARC (Men), Jacquetta Bullock-New Directions Ministries, Inc., Kanika Turrentine-Infinite Possibilities, Inc., Lequetta Deshazo-Securing Resources for Consumers, Dawn Alston- Securing Resources for Consumers, Monica Kearney-Safe Space, Claudia Amoah- Securing Resources for Consumers, Kim Currin-Daymark, Lavongue Manley-Oxford House, Inc.*

Review of August minutes, which was unanimously approved and accepted with no corrections.

Reports/Updates: .

1. Balance of State Steering Committee reported by Kanika Turrentine-
 - Reminder of the upcoming Coordinated Assessment workshops to be held on October 27-October 28 in Raleigh at Pullen Memorial Baptist Church. Attendees were encouraged to register if they hadn't done so already.
 - Application deadline for NOFA which funds (4) Permanent Supportive Housing Programs formerly Shelter Plus Care, operated by Cardinal Innovations was announced. Providers were encouraged to get support letters to Joel by Friday, September 26th. Templates were provided for reference.

Housing Homeless Organizations provided program overview. The following updates were shared:

***ARC (Men's House) 1020 County Home Rd. (Vance)**

Capacity- 15 males, full at this time

Program details: Average stay-One year, participants engage in SAIOP program for 90days. Participants are also assisted with job and housing search.

Additional comments/success: Program had (1) participant discharge and get housing with through Rapid Rehousing.

***Safe Space (DV) - (Franklin)**

Capacity-13, full at this time

Program details: Emergency shelter stay for those fleeing domestic violence situations. Currently only DV shelter in a (4) county area radius.

Additional comments/success: Program has sent many referrals to Rapid Rehousing

***Oxford House (2- Men's House) (Located Charles St., and Burwell St. (Vance County))**

4 openings in one house and 5 in the other

Program details: Men are required to pay \$100-\$105/week, plus entry fee. Contact (919) 436-8235.

Updates from Housing Program

Both Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing are still accepting referrals. Members were reminded of referral process.

Open Discussion:

Members were concerned for the growing population of clients who are experiencing housing crisis, but do not meet HUD's definition of literally homeless. Many of these individuals were facing eviction, some living in housing, with unhealthy conditions.

Announcements for upcoming Domestic Violence Events throughout Kerr-Tar region were giving.

Next meeting date: October 28, 2014

Meeting was adjourned by Kanika Turrentine