# Southwest Homeless Coalition Regional Committee

# Meeting Minutes

Date: September 7, 2016
Location: 44 Bonnie Lane, Sylva and via Conference Call

Meeting Facilitated By: Monica Frizzell

**Regional Committee Leadership**

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| **Position** | **First & Last Name** | **Agency** |
| Regional Lead | Monica Frizzell | Smoky Mountain MCO |
| Alternate Lead | Buffy Queen  | Reach of Haywood County, Inc. |
| Alternate Lead | Mindy Rathbone | The Open Door Ministries |
| Coordinated Assessment Lead | Monica Frizzell | Smoky Mountain MCO |
| Point In Time Count Lead | Ashley Freeman  | REACH of Macon County, Inc.  |

**Attendees**

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| **First & Last Name** | **Agency** |
| Laura Bartucca | Smoky Mountain MCO |
| Judith Alvarado | REACH of Clay County, Inc. |
| Kristi Case  | Analenisgi Recovery Center |
| Kelly Shook | REACH of Cherokee County, Inc. |
| Courtney Bodoni | Appalachian Community Services |
| Jessie Swink | Southwestern Child Development Center |
| Destri Leger | REACH of Haywood, Inc.  |
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**Standing Agenda Items**

1. Introductions/ Attendance – Monica Frizzell
2. Approval of Minutes – approved Review of Action Items – accomplished

Both the contact list and sign-in sheet were updated.

 3. BoS Steering Committee meeting highlights

1. The BoS Steering Committee discussed the written standards. They are now online and available via the NCCEH website at: <http://www.ncceh.org/bos/>. Monica stated this information will be reviewed in trainings as well. Feedback was provided by Monica on Coordinated Assessment. The environmental review was also discussed.
2. The competition CA call will take place on Tuesday, September 13th at 3pm and RRH on Friday, September 16th at 10:30.
3. With reference to grant renewals, HMIS received 1st place while Smoky got 3rd, 4th, 6th and 8th. The ranking specifics are as follows: # 3 – Central 2011 – 122, #4 – Western Combo – 120; #6 – Central Combo – 109; and #8 – Central Chronic – 102. While there were some grants with higher scores, they ranked lower because of not meeting ‘threshold with key elements or CA’. Rapid Re-housing did not get funded, but hopefully they will try again next year to secure additional funding.
4. A question was asked about funding sources and clarification. Information provided was: Continuum of Care receives federal funding through HUD; PSH is federally funded through the CoC and the Balance of State is the name of our CoC.

4. Coordinated Assessment—Monica Frizzell

a. Outcome data reports – will discuss at next meeting

b. Updated Outcome Data Report – attached to agenda, Monica will redo the outcome report and the regional committee will discuss during the next meeting.

5. RRH update – Monica Frizzell/Jessie Swink

Rapid Rehousing Update- Staff change at SWCD, Marilyn Chamberlin will be the part-time Family Resource support; thankfully she has her own office! Out of the 15 maximum available, there have been 9 (accepted) and slots awarded with 4 rentals, 1 graduated and 2 more wanting/getting housing. The cold weather shelter is set to open on November 1st. More information will be available in October.

Kristi Case advised of some recent concerns about a family living in their car and some misinformation between DSS/Dept. on Aging/SWCD and possibly Smoky. Monica stated DSS-Jackson County will be getting trained in CA on 09/08 which will help facilitate the VI-SPDAT for individuals and families seeking assistance (from DSS).

6. PSH update – Monica Frizzell

PSH is at full capacity with 49 people in slots (2 over capacity). There are 9 in the ‘wait pool’ with lowest VI-SPDAT scores of 13-14. Four additional applications were received but are incomplete and therefore cannot be processed.

7. Agency Report Out:

REACH of Clay County – none in the last couple day. Taking time to work on DV awareness month in October.

REACH of Haywood County – Has been a slow time, only abut 2 a week.

REACH of Macon County- Has 5 adults and a baby.

REACH of Cherokee County— also slow at this time, only about 1 a week.

Analenisgi Recovery Center—Kristi advised the Inaugural Cherokee Recovery Rally will take place on September 13th from 3-7pm at the Cherokee Fairgrounds, 545 Tsali Blvd in Cherokee. The rally’s focus is to raise awareness that Recovery is possible by providing a family friendly atmosphere including speakers, employment opportunities, games, music, meetings & food.

The Open Door Ministries – Very busy with 7 new people for RRH applications – a lot of families coming in needing help. Mindy also advised that Mia Boyce has left Pathways, which is why she did not attend today’s meeting.

**Next meeting: October 5, 2016 from 10-11:30am at the Smoky Mountain Sylva Office – 44 Bonnie Lane, Sylva, NC 28779 or join by conference call.**