**Piedmont Regional Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

**Date: December 14, 2016  
Location: Family Services of Davidson County, 1301 Greensboro Street Ext., Lexington, NC**

**Meeting Facilitated By: Nicole Dewitt**

**Regional Committee Leadership**

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| **Position** | **First & Last Name** |
| Regional Lead | Nicole Dewitt |
| Alternate Lead | Melissa McKeown |
| Coordinated Assessment Lead | Ginny Rainwater |
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**Attendees**

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| Robin Shue | Family Services of Davidson County |  |

**Approval of Minutes**

The September 14, 2016 minutes will be sent via email for approval.

**BoS Steering Committee meeting highlights**

1. **Point in Time Count,**

PRC Lead – Salem Taylor

County Leads – Paula Yost, Cabarrus County; Salem Taylor, Stanly County; Melissa McKeown, Union County; Sherry Smith/Jeanne LeMaster, Rowan County; Gayle Whitehead/Kay Ochoa, Davidson County

Count will be held Wednesday, January 25, 2017

1. **ESG Update**
   1. BOS staff are creating a survey to distribute to PRC to give feedback about ESG application process. The information gathered from survey will be submitted to HUD state office for review.
   2. HUD currently reviewing applications. Award approvals are expected by the end of the week.
   3. AHAR submitted on December 7, 2016.
   4. NC Housing Finance Agency has released a NOFA for supportive housing projects. More information can be found at <http://www.nchfa.com/>.
2. **Coordinated Assessment, Brian Alexander, NCCEH** 
   1. Reiterated that CA is mandated by HUD because of COC and ESG funding but urged to look past mandate because it is also a best practice. CA building a client centered system of care. The prevention/diversion screen, VI-SPDAT and case management tool were chosen because of the ease of training and accessibility and also met our focused goal of housing.
   2. PRC Updated Coordinated Assessment plan due on April 1, 2017.
3. **Salisbury Public Housing Authority, Sam Foust**
   1. Sam, Program Director since 2010, discussed recent changes, including rehab and repairs to the 465 units in Salisbury. He explained that the NC Housing Finance Tax credit is being used to build new Public Housing Authority Communities. Salisbury PHA received two grants, one is 2013 for $11 million, and one in 2014 for $13 million. Together those grants allowed for 187 new one to four bedroom units. Sam explained that the trend is no longer public housing units, but multi-family units. Multifamily has been more stable and also receives cost of living increases annually.
4. **Regional Leadership Roles**
   * 1. Regional Lead – Nicole Dewitt, Community Link
     2. Alternate Lead – Melissa McKeown, Union County Community Shelter
     3. Webmaster – Melissa McKeown
     4. Funding Process Lead – Nicole Dewitt
     5. Coordinated Assessment Lead – Ginny Rainwater, Community Link
5. **PRC Executive Committee**
   1. Davidson and Union County executive committee members have served term limits. Looking for replacements and will be voted on at next regional meeting. Please send interested volunteers contact info to Nicole Dewitt.
6. **County Taskforce Reports**

Rowan County – PIT discussion focused on outreach count, working with local police department to collect donations

Cabarrus County – not reported

Stanly County – Focused on PIT count, Homeless Standown

Union County – PIT team coordinated, training scheduled

Davidson County –PIT discussion, focused on finding new resources for donations

1. **Stanly County Homeless/Poverty Standown**
   1. Planning stages currently, event expected to happen in Jan/Feb 2017
   2. Mobile Food Pantry, tax return accessibility and credit check are options considered to be offered at event

**Next Quarterly Piedmont Regional Committee meeting:**

**March 8, 2017, 10am-12pm Union County**

**Rowan Veterans Housing Taskforce**

**September 15, 2016, 9:30am-11am, 200 South MLK, Salisbury, Salisbury Housing Authority**