

Region 12, Inner Banks, NC Balance of State Monthly Meeting

Multipurpose Room-Greenville Housing Authority

1103 Broad Street, Greenville

Wednesday April 11, 2018-9:00 AM-10:30 AM

Present

Joseph Beach, Volunteers of America

Ken Becker, Endeavors

Wayne Bray, NC Works

Tommy Cloyd, Disability Advocates Resource Center

James Cox, United Way of Pitt County

Devinder Culver, Greenville Police Department

Melissa Eastwood, Trillium Health Resources

Kim Faire, Vocational Rehabilitation

Deloris Farmer, Pitt County Planning

Lorina Garrison, Mid-East Regional Housing Authority

Lynne James, Pitt County Planning

Tonette Latham, Community Crossroads Center

Gloria Leak, Vocational Rehabilitation

Sally Love, Beaufort County United Way

Linda Mandell, Pitt County Planning

Liz McDowell, Catholic Charities

Catonia Pitt, Center for Family Violence Prevention

James Rhodes, Pitt County Planning

Tujuanda Sanders, Greenville Housing Authority

Bob Williams, Community Crossroads Center

Approval of March 2018 Minutes

The April 2018 BOS/Pitt Regional Committee (Inner Banks) meeting began with approval of the minutes for March 2018. Jim Cox asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Linda Mandell made a motion to approve the minutes for March 2018 with Bob Williams seconding the motion. The committee approved the minutes for March 2018.

Updates/Reports:

NC Balance of State Steering Committee & Work Groups Steering Committee/Conference Call 4/3/2018

Jim emailed everyone the Steering Committee call summary. He encouraged everyone to review the summaries each month. Jim reviewed the information discussed on the call. The "Bringing it Home: Ending Homelessness in NC" conference will be held April 30 and May 1st 2018 in Raleigh.

A.) 2018 CoC Grant Competition

We are in the beginning stages of the CoC grant competition. The NOFA has not been released. The Letter of Intent has been posted. Agencies that are interested must complete the Letter of Intent to move forward with the application process. There was a webinar recently regarding the process. It was recorded and posted. The Letter of Intent can be submitted up to 1 week after the notice of funding is released. Pitt County Planning is assessing whether or not they are going to apply again this year. Lorina noted that Mid-East has submitted the Intent to apply form already. Bob Williams volunteered to represent Region 12 on the Scorecard committee. Ken Becker volunteered to represent Region 12 on the Project Review Committee.

B.) Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Transfer Policy

There will be a webinar on May 17, 2018 from 11:00am to 12:00pm regarding VAWA. The webinar is required for all agencies receiving ESG or CoC funding. Refer to the NCCEH website if you have questions.

C.) Anti-Discrimination Policy Webinar

The Anti-Discrimination Policy Webinar will be on April 19, 2018 from 11:00am to 12:00pm. This webinar is mandatory for all ESG and CoC recipients.

D.) HMIS Update

There will be a BoS HMIS Users Training on April 19, 2018 from 1:00pm to 2:00 pm. There will be a Coordinated Assessment Council meeting on April 25, 2018 from 10:00am to 12:00pm.

The Balance of State is developing their own information system. Our CoC will use the new system beginning June 2018 (HMIS@NCCEH). There will be two information systems in the state beginning in June. The NCCEH test site will launch in May. The site should go live in June.

D.) Veterans Plan Updates

Joseph stated that they have 375 Veterans active in services. 169 of the 375 have been housed and have received assistance with utilities. 195 Individuals have received Rapid Rehousing services. 92 individuals have received Prevention services. These are statewide numbers. Jim inquired as to whether Volunteers of America is expanding services into other counties. Joseph stated that he is unsure at this time about the expansion. Joseph stated that he is still working his way to the by name list. He hasn't been able to work on this yet. Ken stated that Family Endeavors has changed their name to Endeavors. He stated that he will be working with Volunteers of America to get the By Name list going. Jim reminded everyone of the counties served by each agency in our region. Volunteers of America services 4 of our 5 counties (does not serve Beaufort). Endeavors serves Beaufort County and Pitt County. Wayne provided an update regarding his concerns about Veterans being sent to the hospital in Ahoskie and then sent to various shelters (ex. Zion in Beaufort County). He contacted a representative from the hospital and he an appointment to talk with representatives (including the hospital president) on 4/17/2018. He will update the group at the next meeting.

Coordinated Assessment Updates

Lynne stated that there will be a webinar on Coordinated Assessment in HMIS on April 18, 2018 from 10:00am to 11:00am. She suggested that everyone participate if you can (anyone making referrals to coordinated assessment). In the future, everything will be housed in HMIS. Data will be pulled from HMIS to compile the quarterly reports. The quarterly coordinated assessment report for the region is due April 15, 2018. Lynne needs all reports/data by the end of the day tomorrow. Please call or email Lynne if there are updates or if you have questions. The Coordinated Assessment plan needs to be reviewed at least annually. Lynne stated that she will call the CA subcommittee back together for review so that we can update our plan. Lynne is still working to get updated MOUs from everyone. Lynne discussed the need to elect a Coordinated Assessment Co lead to assist as needed and to ensure attendance requirements are met. She suggested that it would be wise to have someone in place by next month. Please email Jim if you are interested.

Supportive Services Only-Coordinated Entry Grant

The Balance of State received a CoC grant from HUD for Coordinated Entry. They will sub grant to some of the regions for implementation of Coordinated Entry. The RFP will be released soon. There will be a webinar after the RFP comes out. Grant applications will be due in May. There will be a competitive competition and the BoS will award the funding to 3-8 agencies (\$15,000 to \$40,000). They will only fund one agency per region. We can have more than one agency apply. Pitt County Planning may apply for the grant. Agencies applying must obtain letters of support from the committee (regional leads). Agencies must be willing to assume the role of Coordinated Assessment lead for the region and assume all of those responsibilities. The agency must serve the entire region. Funding will be awarded in July.

Beaufort County-Sally reported that the next Inner Banks meeting for the entire region will be held at Beaufort County DSS on June 13, 2018 at 10:00am.

Tri-County Meeting- No updates at this time.

Housing Updates

CCC/Tonette Latham-TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/200%)-Tonette reported that they assisted 3 families in March (4 adults, 5 children). The total amount of assistance was \$2366.00.

GHA-Tujuanda reported that they are accepting applications for public housing and permanent supportive housing (regionally). Greenville Housing Authority was awarded five additional HUD VASH vouchers. They will begin building Phase II of Honor Ridge in June and they are projecting that it will be completed in August 2018.

Rapid Rehousing/Pitt County Planning- Deloris reported that she is still accepting referrals for Rapid Rehousing. Funds are still available.

SOAR Updates-Linda reported that the cases that were pending at the last meeting have been approved. She stated that she received 3 referrals since our last meeting.

Trillium Health Resources-Rapid rehousing is going well (2 referrals 1 housed since the last meeting). One intake is scheduled for Beaufort County tomorrow (referral from Ruth's House).

Mid-East Regional Housing Authority-No updates at this time.

C4FVP-Catonna reported that they do not have beds available now. However, she stated that three families will be moving out over the next 2 weeks. She thanked the housing committee and Greenville Housing Authority for assistance with these housing placements.

Community Crossroads Center-Bob reported that they officially opened their respite area last Monday. The room is for individuals to go to during the day that have medical needs. Individuals complete a short application and submit for approval. The respite area is open from 2:00pm to 6:00pm. He would like to eventually extend the hours to 8:00am to 6:00pm. He will need additional volunteers to extend the hours of operation.

Next Meeting: May 9, 2018 @ 9:00am
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