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NC Balance of State CoC Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2025

Regional Leads Present: Derek Lancour, Audrey Dooley, Cory Bragg, Pamela Hinton, Tonya Gray Young, Priscilla Ward, Anita Lynch, Crystal Gwendo, Lynne F. James, Brian Fike

At-Large Members Present: Karen Carroll, Melissa Hewitt, Angela Harper King, Kim Crawford, Cassandra Rowe, Tara Peele

SC Members Absent: Erin Gaskin, Jeanne LeMaster, Jai Baker, Jessica Joyner, Lakitra Claude, Latoya Smith, Daniel “Danny” Jordan, Lisa Phillips, Erin Joy Crossfield, Thea Craft, Brooks Ann McKinney, Kenett Melgar, Makala Perez, Joesph Chilton, Rebecca Laton

Interested Parties Present: Catrina Martin, Lori Watts, Laurenn Singleton Pendergraft, Robert Hudson

NCCEH Staff Present: Ashley Von Hatten, Dr. Latonya Agard, Joanne Cain, Jenny Simmons, Alicia Price-Blanks, Natalie Rivera, Mira Sanderson, Natasha Posey, Debra Susie, Andrea Carey

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CY2026 ESG Program Competition Update on Appeals

Appeals submitted by August 8th deadline of 12 Noon.

- NCCEH received 2 appeals by the August 8th deadline of 12 Noon.
- All documentation received for each appeal was sent via email through Smartsheet to Project Review Committee members for their review.
- On Monday, August 11th at their 2 PM meeting, the PRC determined that neither appeal submitted met the criteria as an eligible appeal.
- NCCEH will send emails to those agencies this afternoon indicating their submissions were ineligible.
- Based on our Appeals Policy, since the submissions were found ineligible and decisions from last week are not being recommended to change, there is nothing for the Steering Committee to review.

For next year’s competition, Karen Carroll suggested hosting a voluntary Zoom meeting where participants could ask questions and receive feedback on what they’ve submitted. She also

recommended that staff set an application deadline early enough to allow time to review all materials and follow up with organizations that did not submit all required documents.

CY2026 ESG Program Competition Review of Region 9

Reminder: Conflict-of-Interest Policy

- People attending the Steering Committee meeting representing an agency applying for CY2026 ESG Annual Allocation Funding may not:
 - Participate in conversation about the proposed slate of applicants
 - Ask questions about the funding proposal for your agency
 - Make a motion related to approving the proposed slate
 - Vote on the proposed slate (please submit 'Abstain' in the chat so we have an official acknowledgement)

Crystal Gwendo, Lynne F. James, and Tonya Gray Young abstained from the vote.

Region 9: Oversight of Project Application Submitted

- Greene Lamp submitted an application for RRH and HP in Region 9 before the extension deadline of July 21st at 12 Noon, but it was not included in the pool of applications assigned for review.
- After the Steering Committee review and approval of the PRC recommendation last Tuesday, Greene Lamp staff reached out to inquire if NCCEH had received their Region 9 application.
- Their email was found, titled "Region 9 ESG Application Submission. The body of the email indicated the application was for services in Beaufort, Martin, and Washington counties, which are in Region 12. The application materials attached were, however, for RRH and HP in Nash and Edgecombe in Region 9.
- When this oversight was brought to our attention, it was assigned to a staff person for review.
- The Regional Review Form was revised and reissued to Regional Leadership in Region 9 for input, feedback, and return to NCCEH.

Region 9 - \$222,939 Fair Share

Overview: Full Fair Share not applied for by 7/15 deadline, extended deadline to 7/21

- Over Fair Share by **\$103,340**
- < 60% Emergency Response Cap of \$133,763 at \$125,000
- Over the Housing Stability Minimum of \$89,176 at **\$189,340**
- 2 Returning Applicants
 - **Hand Up Ministries:** ES for NASH & EDGECOMBE
 - **Centre for Homeownership & Economic Development:** RRH for ALL REGION 9 COUNTIES
- 1 New Applicant
 - **Greene Lamp:** RRH for NASH & EDGECOMBE; HP for NASH & EDGECOMBE
- Revised Regional Review Form - Red Flag for Greene Lamp - Did not meet attendance benchmarks for regional committee or case conferencing meetings. Overall, the region did not recommend them for funding.

Region 9 - \$222,939 Fair Share

| Agency | SO | ES | RRH | HP | HMIS | Total |
|---|----|-----------|----------|-----|------|------------------|
| Hand Up Ministries | — | \$133,763 | — | — | — | \$133,763 |
| * Centre for Homeownership & Economic Development | — | — | \$89,176 | — | — | \$89,176 |
| Greene Lamp | — | — | \$0 | \$0 | — | \$0 |
| Total | | | | | | \$222,939 |

*Centre for Homeownership & Economic Development – conditional based on acceptance of Technical Assistance from NC BoS CoC regarding project performance (new start-up ESG RRH project this year).



The PRC recommends the slate for Region 9 as presented to the Steering Committee for approval.

- Questions?
- Motion to approve the re-recommended slate of ESG applications for Region 9?

Melissa Hewitt motioned to approve the re-recommended slate of ESG applications for Region 9. Cory Bragg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Funding Process Timeline

| Date | Activity |
|-----------------------|--|
| By August 12 | Region 9 Applicant notifications |
| By August 13 | Agency Appeals – informed as ineligible |
| August 15 by 12 Noon | Appeal due (Greene Lamp – Region 9 – only entity eligible to submit an appeal) |
| August 18 at 1:00 PM | PRC appeals meeting, if needed |
| August 19 at 10:30 AM | Steering Committee appeals meeting, if needed |
| August 25 by 5 PM | ESG Applications, including Regional Application (by NCCEH), due to NC DHHS |

Upcoming Meetings and Reminders

- Coordinated Entry Council, *Monday, August 18, 10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.*
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)
Meeting ID: 897 8280 4661
Passcode: 490790
- Client Advocacy Collaborative, *Wednesday, August 20, 11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.*
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)
Meeting ID: 832 6483 8597

Next Steering Committee Meeting:

Tuesday, September 9th at 10:30 A.M.