

WELCOME

NC Balance of State CoC Membership Meeting

A New Chapter in Shared Governance & Community Participation

Today marks the first official Membership Meeting under our new Governance Charter—expanding voice, strengthening transparency, and building shared leadership across our CoC.

We are building this structure together.
And today is the start of that work.

Featured Speaker – Harry Miles,
Director, NC HUD Field Office



Purpose of the CoC and membership meeting

The Membership Meeting provides an opportunity for members to:

- Learn about the CoC's work and priorities
- Participate in planning and decision-making
- Stay informed on funding, policies, and system updates
- Engage in committees and leadership opportunities
- Strengthen collaboration across regions and partners
- Help shape a more equitable and effective homeless response system



Why Membership Matters

Have a voice in CoC decisions

- Vote on the Governing Board
- Vote on the CoC Charter and amendments
- Vote on key leadership roles (Collaborative Applicant, HMIS Lead)

Shape strategy and Funding priorities

- Provide input on CoC policies and priorities
- Help guide resource allocation and system-level decisions
- Participate in committees and workgroups

Stay connected through active participation

- Attend CoC and regional meetings (75% expectation)
- Support regional efforts to address homelessness
- Keep contact information current with the Nominations Committee*

** This committee has yet to be formed.*



CoC Members' Roles and Responsibilities

- Meet at least 2x per year
- Plan and make decisions
- Share expertise on populations served
- Support policy and bylaw development
- Vote on funding proposals, applications, and budgets
- Volunteer for and support the annual PIT Count
- Contribute resources
- Assess program effectiveness
- Collaborate with community partners
- Facilitate committees and workgroups
- Suggest strategies to prevent and end homelessness





What is the CoC?

- The Continuum of Care (CoC) is our local planning body working to prevent and end homelessness. We bring together organizations and partners across our region to coordinate resources, align systems, and improve outcomes for people experiencing homelessness.



Governing Board

- The Governing Board is the decision-making body of the CoC. The Board sets policy, establishes priorities, approves funding recommendations, and ensures accountability to the community and HUD.



Membership

- Our membership is a broad and diverse group of partners who play a critical role in shaping the work of the CoC. Members share expertise, provide input, support policy and system improvements, and help strengthen our collective impact.



Committees & Workgroups

- Committees and workgroups bring together members and subject matter experts to dive deeper into specific areas of work—developing strategies, making recommendations, and advancing initiatives that support our goals.



System Implementation & Community Partners

- Our community partners carry out programs and services that directly support individuals and families. Their feedback and on-the-ground experience help inform better policies, funding decisions, and system-wide improvements.

Understanding the CoC Structure & Purpose



All working together to prevent and end homelessness in our community.



CoC Members vs. Board of Directors

CoC Membership

Purpose: Broad network providing input and oversight.

Role: Input on policy, vote on governance, holds the CoC Board accountable.

Who participates?

- Nonprofits, government, housing, healthcare, advocates, lived experience

Responsibilities:

- Committees
- Vote on CoC Board members, charter and governance decisions

Meets: At least twice a year.

Membership is the broader governing body; the Board provides elected leadership and operational governance.

Board of Directors

Purpose: Governing body responsible for strategy and oversight.

Role: Acts on behalf of membership; makes operational decisions.

Who serves?

- 17 – 29 appointed representatives across the regions
 - Regional Leads
 - Stakeholder Groups

Responsibilities:

- Committees
- Funding Priorities
- Policies
- Performance Monitoring

Meets: At least every other month.

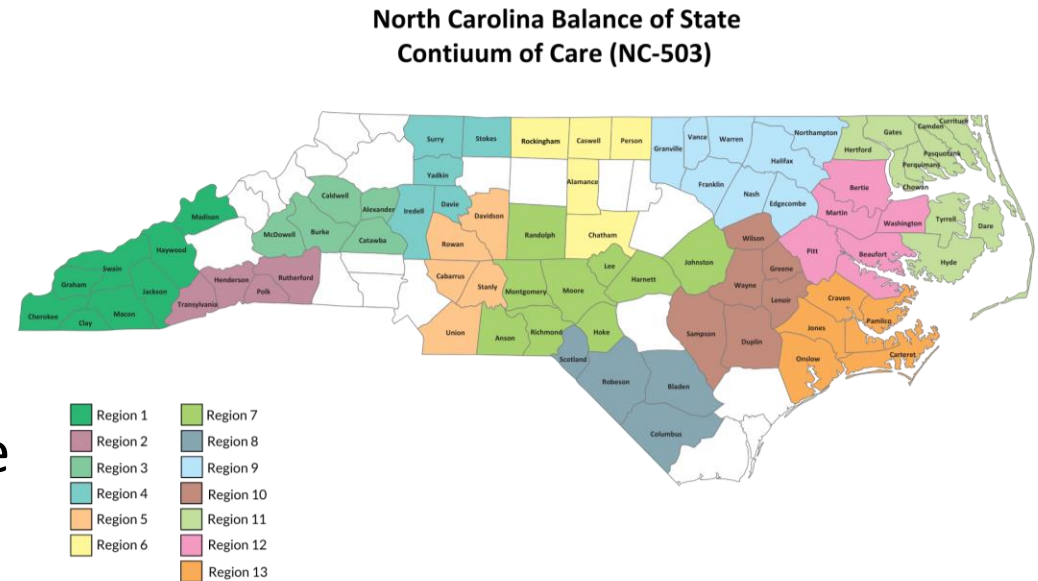
Members' Engagement Opportunities



Regional Committees

The NC Balance of State Continuum of Care expects each Regional Committee to formally elect the following positions:

- Regional Lead
- Regional Lead Alternate
- Webmaster
- Unsheltered Access Coordinator
- Project Review Committee Representative



Each Regional Committee should also appoint someone to represent them on the Scorecard Committee and Governance Nomination.

NC BoS CoC Subcommittees

Veterans	Oversees and evaluates CoC strategies to end Veteran homelessness.
Funding & Performance	Assists the Board to set goals and priorities for the CoC and to make funding decisions.
Governance Nominations	Recommends candidates to serve as at-large members on the Board.
Client Advocacy Collaborative	Oversees implementation of the annual Client Advocacy Analysis and evaluates data collected to create a final report for the CoC Program Application.
Lived Expertise Advisory Council	Recommends action steps to the Board to improve CoC policies based on insights and expertise from experiencing homelessness firsthand.
Scorecard	Informs the CoC's funding decisions.
Project Review Committee	Committee reviews and rates each project application according to the current scorecard and recommends a ranked list of project applications for the CoC Program collaborative application to the BoS CoC.
Coordinated Entry Council	Appointed by the Board, they provide oversight for Regional Committees implementing coordinated.
Working Groups	Short-term, outcome-focused working groups on an as-needed basis determined by the Board.

Voting and Participation Opportunities

GOVERNING BOARD:

Quorum

A simple majority of the full NC Balance of State CoC Governing Board membership constitutes a quorum.

Attendance at a meeting is defined as in-person or via telephone/video when available. Votes may also be held and confirmed by the same quorum via email, for time sensitive situations.

Voting

Unless otherwise specified herein, all votes of the Governing Board shall require a simple majority vote for passage.

COC MEMBERSHIP:

All individual CoC members will have one vote. All member organizations will have one vote. An individual cannot vote both as an individual and on behalf of a member organization.

Quorum

Approval by vote requires a simple majority of the full CoC Membership as of the date an item appears on an official agenda to be voted upon.

Voting

Once a motion to approve an agenda item has been seconded during a CoC membership meeting, a ballot shall be sent by email to the then-current list of the CoC Membership.

Board Nominee Introductions

**This is a presentation of nominated candidates.
The formal vote will occur through the post-meeting electronic ballot in
accordance with the CoC Governance Charter.**





Timothy Rogers

Wilson Housing Authority – Region 10

Timothy Rogers is the Director of Public Relations with the Wilson Housing Authority, where he supports cross-departmental operations, including residential services, grant compliance, policy development, and coordination with partner agencies. He brings experience working across housing programs and federal compliance systems, including HUD requirements, fair housing, and program administration.

Timothy is actively engaged in Region 10, serves on the Project Review Committee, and participates in regional CoC activities.

He offers experience in housing authority operations, systems coordination, and cross-sector collaboration, and is interested in serving on the CoC Board to strengthen partnerships and improve access to housing and homelessness resources across the region.





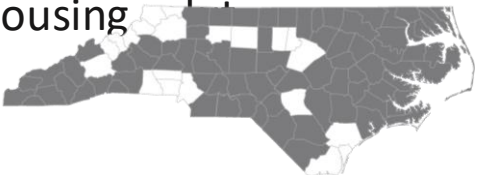
Kerry Bashaw

Brick Capital Community Development Corporation – Region 7

Kerry Bashaw is a leader in affordable housing development and housing services, overseeing CoC-funded Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), Back@Home initiatives, housing counseling programs, and housing development and construction efforts and currently serves on the Scorecard Committee.

He brings extensive experience in HUD and federal grant compliance, CoC and ESG programs, housing and homelessness services, fair housing laws, and fiscal oversight. Through his work, he has developed strong expertise in grant management and financial stewardship.

Kerry is interested in serving on the CoC Board to help guide the Balance of State through its evolving governance changes and contributing to stronger partnerships and housing across the region.





Benjamin Horton

Veterans Services of the Carolinas,
ABCCM – Region 13

Benjamin Horton serves as Region 13's Unsheltered Access Coordinator and leads one of the largest street outreach and peer support teams in North Carolina outside of the VA, supporting collaborative efforts across multiple CoCs. His work focuses on building partnerships and strengthening systems to better serve communities across the state.

Benjamin has extensive experience in writing and overseeing federal grants, developing policies and procedures, and serves on multiple boards and coalitions, including the UNC-Chapel Hill Peer Support Program and local human services initiatives.

Benjamin brings a valuable lived perspective to his work and is interested in serving on the CoC Board to be apart of the collaborative process in serving the most vulnerable neighbors in our communities.





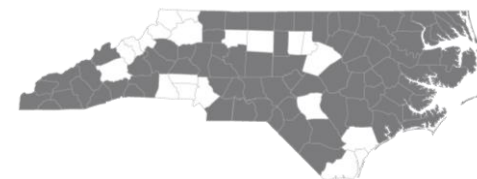
Teena Willis

Partners Health Management – Regions 2, 3, & 5

Teena Willis brings more than 20 years of experience in housing and homelessness services and has been actively involved with the NC BoS CoC for over two decades. Through her years of service, Teena brings valuable institutional knowledge and a long-standing commitment to strengthening housing systems and improving outcomes for communities across the state.

Her work spans 15 counties and multiple CoC's across NC, giving her a broad perspective on systems collaboration and housing services.

As a CoC-funded provider and housing leader, Teena is interested in serving on the CoC Board because she is committed to helping move the NC Balance of State forward while ensuring strong compliance with HUD regulations and funding requirements.



Next Meeting(s)

Governance Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 2, at 10:30 AM

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