

Wake County CoC Membership Meeting		
MINUTES	Date: 09/13/2021	Time: 2:00 – 3:20PM EST
Meeting Facilitator:	Jennifer Von Egidy, CoC Board Chair	
Note taker:	LaToya Turner, RWPEH	

	Agenda
1	<p>Call to order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome- Role Call • Agenda Overview-Will follow this order: Call to Order, Community Actions & Updates, Governance & Committee reports, Partnership/ COC Lead Updates, and Entitlements and PHA Updates.
2	<p>Governance Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022 Ending Homelessness Academy is set to be rolled out. Partnership between 1619 Consulting. Focus on systemic racial equality training. • Why DEI- Will define why there is a need for diversity, inclusion, and racial equity. What is the focus? What is the scope? As COC on system level COC must be able to describe work we do and describe within 3 yrs. Have all populations been served. • 1619 Consulting Funding Opportunity- Bryana Clover Diversity, Inclusion, Racial Equity • Bryana Clover is introduced, sharing about work she does to get to the heart of structural racism. Focused on heart of racial justice. Individual views on racial equality, be conscience beings and realize those pushed to the margin. 5 sessions partnering for 2022 Ending Homelessness Academy workshops. Equity in the Center is prepared to assist non-profits. Defines, condition where one's race does not affect the services, they provide in communities especially also society as a whole.
3	<p>Committee & Workgroup Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COC Systems Modeling- Gas Analysis Workgroup • Working with HUD TA Whitney Patterson, of Abt Associates conducted system-wide Gaps Analysis to compare our services and housing needs to actual services and housing opportunities. Publicly posted info. City, county, and state uses priorities to focus dollars use data moving forward. Findings can be found at this link: https://partnershipwake.org/partnership-library • Kim speaking on Gaps Analysis, large gaps are in area of affordable housing, RRH, and perm. supportive housing. People are languishing in shelter or being unsheltered. People and families waiting to get in for extended periods as well. NOFO and NCGRSA, Focus funds on these units. What ends homelessness is an address! Need of 300 RRH units, 720 perm. supportive housing, 800 affordable housing units. How can we move people thru system faster? Gaps analysis lets us see where we are. Eviction Moratorium ends. Barriers are still too strict, needs to look at 3 times rent and criminal background check, and eviction if all are considered, that's not affordable housing for our community we serve. Shorten the length of time in homeless response system. How? Using data is key to investing wisely. Even if gaps can't be filled know how to be strategic, and that will give you some goals to work toward. CoC prioritizes which projects to fund with new and additional resources. Continue to adapt service models and budgets of existing and new housing to meet these needs. • Street Outreach Workgroup- Eric Doll speaking, Encampment policy draft in progress. Review of draft passing through subgroup, what it looks like if encampment needs to be moved, we need clear measurements. GIS tracking, 3rd party, to map out encampment in real way. Try to have measure in HMIS or 3rd party. GIS mapping built into software would be ideal, also on phone or tablet for ease of access.

Emergency Housing Voucher Workgroup- Allison speaking. Bi-weekly case conference groups Tuesdays at 1pm., when there is no Mayors Challenge that week. As of 9/10/21 there are 113 EHV still available out of the total 138 allotted. There are 25 applicants referred, 3 EHV issued of that group, but they are still working with CM's and trying to get them housed. We will update this week when we meet, to see where we are currently. Priority for EHV is given to unsheltered homeless which is increasingly hard to place. Reach out to Allison if needed for any questions.

Funding review committee- Jennifer speaking. HUD score cards are ready we are working on rubric for that. We have established thresholds. There is a link to see adjusting rating factors : <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/5292/project-rating-and-ranking-tool/>

Developing applicant worksheet also. Kim Crawford speaking, applications were due and already turned in for updates. They were reviewed by 3 on committee and all applicants met with agencies, will make funding decisions. 6 applicants. We were above fair share, 60/40 split, appeals will need to be submitted by Friday. Thursday the 23rd the final slate will be presented to Governing Board. In the process of notifying applicants. Final info will be presented next Thursday.

4 Partnership/CoC Lead Updates

4.0 Partnership and ESG leads-

NC ESG RFA UPDATES- September 14th applicants were notified of review committee decision. Applicants 9/17 was the final day for appeals to be submitted. NC-507 CoC will announce approved projects at 9/23 board meeting. All be uploaded via Smartsheet moving forward.

- NOFO-Timeline reviewed there will be a meeting and making sure project applicants have what they need Oct 6-18
Oct. 21, Oct 28, board votes. Also, appeals process begins, emailed out to COC on the 29th, Nov 16 everything is due. For full submission. NOFO sets the timeline and what type of projects are available, DV bonus
- ELIGIBLE COC COMPONENTS-
(4) new permanent supportive housing, RRH (2), reallocation or NOFO, expansion funding also InterAct, DV bonus.(4) newly funded projects. 12 FY21 projects to rank in total. CoC Bonus for infrastructure: HMIS, which is not rated, but ranked, SSO-CE not rated but ranked, and planning not rated or ranked.
- COC Competition Review and Ranking will be split in two tiers. HUD requires.
Tier 1 solid projects based on the score. Tier 2 is not as safe.
Kim speaking-Our COC is bringing in 3.5 million and that is well under others that bring in about 10 million. See what questions we are to answer for the NOFO and what is important to Hud and the scoring. All 71 here today are critical to this score. The Funding Review Committee will decide on the scorecard to review project applications with and make recommendations for ranking.
Access Hub Updates Crystal speaking- From Aug.9 -Sept. 10, 2873, total incoming calls, 1924 live and handled calls. Weekly average is 575 calls with 384 live calls. In same timeframe 947 total referrals outgoing.
HMIS Team updates-Eric Doll speaking. Where we are with HMIS software. It lacks reliable referral assist component, having to make multiple reports, data errors, having to wait and see if errors were fixed, not user friendly, direct training opportunities lacking, retiring old reports are where they may or may not work. Poor fiscal management GC dollars. Often inclusive of costs that were previously vetoed, no leadership on resolving HMIS issues, no attempts to find better software for our CoC.
Next week will be evaluating vendors to meet those needs. KIM- we have heard HMIS is not meeting all agency's needs, Will use ESG- CE dollars to absorb cost of migration if we decide to move forward. With HUD TA what is the process if we decide to move forward with migration, MICA and WellSky must get 6 months' notice so we will need a decision by Dec. Data Advisory committee will

be making recommendations. Potential is there for new software. If you have issues and are not on the committee, send them to us Chloe, Eric, and Jasmine.

CHLOE- Everything is going through Smartsheets now so we can get all forms quickly.

HMIS meeting was 9/8/21, slides and recording ready from meeting soon and will be uploaded. For links to forms go to HMIS@partnershipwake.org We are working on Provider Page audits. They will entail checking visibility and referral set-ups. Closing expired provider pages. We have activated 15 new licenses since last meeting. We had 230 support requests, we have resolved at least 200 since last meeting.

5.0 Entitlements & PHA's

Wake Co. Gov't- Housing equitable housing and community development 641 units supported by Wake Co. L194 funded by those below 50% AMI threshold.

Kingsbridge development in the works. We are 2,219 units, 3 yrs. in and Wake Tech.-colab. for development. If interested contact county. Tax-credits on properties. Apex has affordable housing plans Apex and Wake Forest and Morrisville still working on plans. Looking to extend capabilities of Housing Authority.

Programming and services 142 beds at SWSC stopped the cohort model but we have applied and people are being moved to affordable housing.

Can now self-attest for housing. Approved 2025, denied 19 million for direct assistance in housing Landlord Navigation Unit. Former HNU posted jobs this week ---(Vanessa speaking).

John Niffenegger speaking for, City of Raleigh Gov't-City funds housing too thru NOFO, Funds for developers or sponsors of affordable rental housing. City passed affordable housing bonds coming next year. 9% LIHTC applications are due in January, open applications for bond deals. Goal is to produce 570 units a year. Bond and HOME-ARP funds to become available soon. Programming and services- ESG entitlement RFP issued for public services. Going out in Nov. Treasury dollars for those behind on rent. CDBG Community Enhancement grant RFP-issued in November. CDBG-CV3 applications were due 9/10: to be reviewed.

Wake Co. Housing Authority 3 types of funding- HUD-VASH Available 328, 215 housed, Family Reunification Program (FUP) 48 available, 43 housed. Mainstream vouchers 13, and 7 housed.

City of Raleigh Housing Authority- HCV vouchers 50 available, 43 matched, 2 housed. EV- 138 available, Matched 25, 0 housed.

Matched what does it mean- Allison explains these are from Bi-name list which will be sent over to HA.

Rick Miller- Haraway- Why so many matched and such a low number housed.

Allison: Housing facing barriers and CM are working with them to get housed. Landlords not working with those vouchers. Is the committee assigned Jen- HA usually works with landlords they have worked with in the past, HNU struggled with landlord engagement?

Arlene Smith- Had success riding around engaging landlords. Propose we will continue to support and not just put client in housing and leave. Waitlist have been a barrier.

Erin Yates- TFS- Says most larger buildings are owned by bigger corps. no one to even contact in town. Mostly local landlords have flexibility. May be willing to listen to bigger org. such as Wake Co. and Partnership those conversations can be had. Make sure community is aware of need also.

Paige Felton- TFS SO has 12 to 14 vouchers- apt. accepts voucher but rent is too high still to house ppl. Needs are not being met if apt. is too expensive.

Frank Baldiga- Amend fair housing ordinance, making it illegal to refuse voucher- long term, Social media, HNU, used to engage more landlords. Voucher amounts are not high enough for owners, not enough Landlord will accept. Property manager will say, "no my company" wont" and its hard to move up the chain.

Many don't have the fees to even get in such as application fees since those prioritized are unhoused mostly. Allison Sickles- We are trying to get access to those kinds of funds so we won't be hindered in any way.

5	<p>Community Actions and Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • .Processing next steps after Eviction Moratorium.
6	<p>Adjourn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabled Items - Null • Next Meeting is Monday October 11, 2021 2:00-3:30PM <p style="text-align: center;">3:20PM—MEETING ADJOURNS</p>
	<p>MEETING CHAT MESSAGES</p> <p>2:39pm- Jennifer Von Egidy to everyone: Yes! Thank you Rick!</p> <p>2:50pm- Chloe Pearson to everyone: HMIS@partnershipwake.org</p> <p>2:55pm- Karen McKinnon to everyone: Karen with Oxford House</p> <p>2:56pm- Karen McKinnon to everyone: I'm jumping onto another ZOOM meeting, we have no questions or updates.</p> <p>2:56pm-Jennifer Von Egidy to everyone: thank you, Karen!</p> <p>3:06pm- Frank Baldiga to everyone: landlords aren't accepting vouchers</p> <p>3:07pm- Paige Felton to everyone: Very limited EHV housing availability in our community.</p> <p>3:07pm- Erin Yates to everyone: Agreed with Frank. There are no units available.</p> <p>3:07pm- Erin Yates to everyone: (and Paige)</p> <p>3:08pm- Arlene Smith to everyone: That's correct, there are no availability using vouchers and there are lengthy waitlists.</p> <p>3:14pm- Danielle Butler to everyone: These are conversation that TAA is having with its members but they have been hit hard by eviction moratorium.</p> <p>3:15pm- Danielle Butler to everyone: We are also engaging with the County's LEU as well.</p> <p>3:16pm- John Niffenegger to everyone: @Frank- good point on fair housing law. There was a push 10-15 years ago at the state level to amend the state fair housing act to make source of income a protected class. Unfortunately, it did not pass at the time.</p> <p>3:18pm- Paige Felton to everyone: Thanks Allison</p>