



**Piedmont Regional Committee  
Case Conferencing**

Date: Thursday, October 24, 2019

Location: Webinar

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Facilitated By: Teresa Robinson

Attendees:

Kara Freeman	Volunteers of America	Case Manager
Brianna Vineyard	Volunteers of America	Team Lead
Curry Cromer	Veterans Services of the Carolinas	Assistant Director of Employment and Training Services
Naja Bares	Volunteers of America	Case Manager
Tiera McDonald	Homes of Hope	Program Director
Jim Hood	Opportunity House	Pastor
Angela Houston	Crisis Ministries of Rowan	Shelter Case Manager
April Lawson	Family Crisis Council of Davidson	Shelter Services Coordinator
Kendra Coney	Rowan Helping Ministries	Housing Coordinator
Andrea Merriman*	Esther House	Program Service Coordinator

**Agenda**

- County Updates
  - Cabarrus- no new changes, sending in referrals (to CE Lead) when he gets them. Currently working on more structure (Opportunity House) to allow for case management services. Providers in the county have narrowed focus on populations served which further limits impact. Salvation Army has a new captain
  - Davidson- meeting of a new group (Community solutions), Salvation Army has donated land for a new homeless shelter. This new location will be a central location for services and resources for the homeless
  - Rowan- Kara (Volunteers of America), no new updates. Currently housing 4-5 Veterans from Veterans Bridge Home and Veterans Services of Cabarrus. Angela (Family Crisis Council of Rowan), no major changes. Kendra (Rowan Helping Ministries), new organizational structure including new staff (Intake Specialist, Shelter Manager, Crisis Assistance Manager, and Case Manager Supervisor). Coordinated Entry will be the responsibility
  - Stanly- Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> Homeless Forum in the community. 40-45 people came together to discuss solutions for homeless individuals and families during the day in the county. A new agency is available for resources to people experiencing homelessness. Fundraiser in September raised \$13,000. Shelter attendance has been down
  - Volunteers of America- Services offered include: funds for deposits, 1<sup>st</sup> months' rent, utilities, bed frames and other household items (brooms, cleaning supplies, etc.). Shelter staff should never give a time span for assistance. The purpose of this resource is to provide stabilization and normalcy to the Veteran
  - Homeless Veterans Re-Integration Program- new program to the Piedmont Region but it has been in existence since 2002. They serve Veterans in SSVF and HUD-VASH programs that have been homeless within the last 60 days. Services include: wrap around employment, job training, transportation, bus fare, Uber, gas cards. They collaborate with NC Works for services and provide career focused job training through gainful employment

- Review of the number of Veteran referrals to Volunteers of America and the Homeless Veterans Re-Integration program this year, how to make referrals, and referral forms
- Review of new format of HMIS report and new columns
- Changes to DV shelter google sheet

### **Dates to Remember**

**Case Conferencing- November 7th, Webinar**  
**Regional Meeting- December 11, 2019**  
**Agency/Shelter Case Conferencing- bi weekly**  
**Point in Time Count 2020- January 29, 2020**