

# WNC HOMELESS COALITION

Regular Meetings -2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month

**August 9<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am -11:00 am**

**Referral and Monitoring Meeting/RRH Selection Committee 11:00-12:00 pm**

## MINUTES

Meeting at Jackson County Family Resource Center  
Call (828) 586-5561 ask for Coalition Meeting

### STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- **Introductions/ Attendance**

Normand Duhaime

Chelsea White

Toby Adams

Sarah Martin

Judith Alvarado

Destri Leger

Ashley Freeman

Jennifer Turner

Marilyn Chamberlin

Jim Tanner

Monica Frizzell

Appalachian Community Services

Down Home North Carolina

REACH of Cherokee

REACH of Clay

REACH of Clay

REACH of Haywood

REACH of Macon

REACH of Clay

Southwest Childhood Development

VA

Vaya Health

- **Approval of Minutes /Review of Action Items**

- July Minutes Approved

- **Coordinated Assessment Update**

- **Rapid Rehousing update**

- RRH is out of money for the year.

- Due to an increase in people reaching out directly to SWCD for RRH, a need was expressed to prioritize CA outreach and community education re: housing assistance programs, how to make referrals, etc.

- **PSH Update**

- VAYA in COC renewal application process

- Agency Report Outs

- ESG Review – Destri to email finalized scorecard and ESG deadlines and process to ESG applicants.

- OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

- Chelsea introduced herself and her agency. Down Home offers harm reduction resources such as need access (commonly known as “needle exchange”) and contraception; is a power changing organization but hopes to offer support to direct service providers. Gave the following upcoming event dates:

- 08/15 – Event planning day re: International Overdose Awareness Day

- 08/20 – Affordable Housing Workgroup

- 08/30 – International Overdose Awareness Day

- VAYA Housing Grant up and running. Up to \$500 deposit assistance. Only accepting five people per month.

- Jim shared that the VA will be having their Stand Down event 09/17 in Asheville.

- Normand shared that the Rally for Recovery will be held at Lake Junaluska on 09/08