



Piedmont Regional Committee (PRC)

Virtual Zoom CALL

September 8th 2021 @ 10am

Attendance: [Attendance Sheet](#)

Victoria Hayes/April Lawson	Family Services of Davidson
Andrea Merriman	Feminine Life Rebuilders
Patrice Brown	Carolina CARE Partnership
Teresa Robinson	Community Link, CE lead
Shanta Watkins	Homes of Hope Stanly Co.
Tierra McDonald	Homes of Hope Stanly Co.
Tiffany Weaver/Denise Davis	Turning Point
Kristen Armstrong/Meg Montemurro/Melissa McKeown	Community Shelter Union County
Kecia Robinson	Salisbury Rowan VAMC
Kristina Fausel	City of Concord
Patrice Brown	Carolina Care Partnership
Tecola Patterson	The S.T.U.D.I.O.
Curry Cromer	Veteran Services of the Carolinas
Cathy Wood-Romero	Rowan County
Alicia Broadway	City of Concord
Kristine Wiles	Rowan Helping Ministries
Debbie Reed	Rowan Helping Ministries
Shannon Thompson	Esther House

Welcome and Introductions:

€ 2021 Officers

- Regional Lead: Andrea Merriman
- Regional Alternate: Teresa Robinson
- Secretary: Meg Montemurro
- Coordinated Assessment Lead: Teresa Robinson
- COC Project Review Committee Representative: Alicia Broadway
- Point-in-Time Count Lead: Shanta Watkins
- Webmaster: Meg Montemurro

***In December we will slate for new officers. If you are interested in running, please let Andrea Merriman know.

Approval March Minutes: Will approve next quarterly meeting.

NCCEH Website

- Andrea shared a tutorial of how to access the North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness website. It is important to familiarize yourself with the funding information located on the website. The website can be found at:
https://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/manage/optin?v=001eGoVMtmIZbvM-wl_PKUEYzzOnKhplbTw_urgjEQcYiZ36t95X_L73jIX7Gwrn1Iq_sZBGiGFZ0cAdKf0PpRdPGg809hTAOR8Jwqxagejqf4YDyDu9gwk-LzSNnVGw75WsN2fs3Ko6aXqsVHt0stfiw%3D%3D

Balance of State Update

- Steering Committee Conference Call Debrief- Andrea Merriman
 - € NAEH Capitol Hill Day
 - € Consumer Advisory Council
 - € 2021 PIT count
 - € Emergency Housing Vouchers - Albemarle Housing Authority

Racial Equity Sub-Committee

- Racial Equity assessment: previously PIT count was used to assess how we are doing in the balance of state. This year we pulled data from HUD performance module (does the system support people in ending homelessness). Number show that there was an overrepresentation of white individuals and an underrepresentation of people of color.
- October 12th 11:30am Next Racial Equity Dialogue
- If you would like to be a part of the dialogue series or the work group reach out to Teresa Robinson at TRobinson@communitylinknc.org

Important Dates: Dates can be found at NCCEH Website

- Principles of Street Outreach September 15th 3-5pm (registration is required)
- HMIS user meeting September 16th 1-2:30pm
- Funding Subcommittee Meeting September 23rd
- Street Outreach training September 29th 1-3pm (registration is required)

- Street Outreach training September 30th 1-3pm
- Regional Steering Committee Meeting October 5th 10:30am

EHV: Emergency Housing Vouchers Updates

- Six referrals made to city of Concord
- One referral made to city of Albemarle
- If you have questions about the vouchers or how they are being disbursed, please contact Teresa at TRobinson@communitylinknc.org

2021 PIT Count - Shanta Watkins

PRC Coordinated Entry Update- Teresa Robinson

- By-Name List: 369 people currently on our list. DV households are not included: 12 DV households active.
- Teresa shared an update on our stats for our by-name list. Including each project and the unique individuals enrolled in these projects.
- If you have questions about these Stats, please reach out to Teresa at TRobinson@communitylinknc.org.

COC Grant: Melissa McKeown

- Community Shelter uses current COC grant for RRH. COC is currently used to support individuals that face chronic homelessness with a VI-SPDAT score of 11 or higher. Community Shelter would like to apply for a new COC grant. This grant would be used as additional resources for the economic impacts many will face due to the pandemic. First deadline to submit is September 10th.

2021 Quarter One Taskforce Reports---

As a region it is crucial that we continue to ramp up our efforts to meet and collaborate with providers in our counties to build these taskforces.

Rowan- Rowan Helping Ministries will be hosting a fair on October 16th. This will be used to allow the community to get involved. Providing informational resources to disburse into the community.

Continuing to work on outreach as they work through transitions with staff.

Cabarrus- A task force meeting has taken place. More information to come.

Stanly- A task force meeting has not taken place.

Union- Thrive! Union is a collaboration with providers and business that are working with people living below the poverty line in Union County. Currently Thrive is meeting four times a month. Thrive is currently in the process of restructuring the taskforce into a non-profit and bringing The Racial Equity Institute into the community. Thrive! Union holds a meeting on the third Wednesday of every month at 12pm. If you are interested in joining this, please reach out to Melissa McKeown.

Davidson- Crisis Ministries is the lead on this task force. A meeting has not been scheduled. However, Davidson County is working on getting this meeting scheduled.

Other Business – Navigate [ncceh.org](https://www.ncceh.org) website

- Go to [Piedmont Regional Committee | Raleigh, North Carolina USA | \(ncceh.org\)](https://www.ncceh.org) to access our piedmont regional information.
- Esther House September 24th will be holding a BBQ to benefit Esther House
- Carolina Care Partnership has a few Rowan, Union County and Lincolnton Vouchers. Please send referrals to Patrice Brown.
- The Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project grant

Youth Grant Email

Good morning, Andrea.

The Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project grant has to applied for at the CoC-level, but there's some flexibility in how we define the geographic area. The work to get the grant application together would be collaborative with providers/leaders within that geographic area. The CoC gets to define the coverage area in the application, meaning that we could designate a county, a group of counties, a region, several regions, or the entire CoC. The biggest issue with applying for this grant is the large number of requirements that need to be met prior to application. We have had several regions that have been interested in applying in prior cycles, but they have been unable to get all of the pieces in place before the application deadline. If a region wanted to work with the CoC to apply for the grant, it must have an active youth advisory board, signed MOUs with child protective services and other social service agencies serving youth, amongst many others requirements in place before we even start. Most regions have found these requirements prohibitive,

and because the number of youth experiencing homelessness in the CoC has been relatively small in comparison to other populations, the CoC and most regions have not developed this infrastructure.

I hope that helps. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks for reaching out.

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1.1 billion Housing Vouchers

NC	NC901	North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs	414
NC	NC003	INLIVIAN	178
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NC	NC057	Gastonia Housing Authority	37
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NC	NC012	Housing Authority of the City of Winston-Salem	31
NC	NC159	Western Piedmont Council of Governments	30
NC	NC001	Housing Authority of the City of Wilmington	27
NC	NC022	Housing Authority of the City of Greenville	27
NC	NC008	Housing Authority of the City of Concord	26
NC	NC104	Orange County Housing Authority	19
NC	NC018	Housing Authority of the Town of Laurinburg	15
NC	NC025	Rockingham Housing Authority	15

NC	NC050	Wadesboro Housing Authority	15
NC	NC075	City of Albemarle Department of Public Housing	15
NC	NC089	Bladenboro Housing Authority	15
NC	NC118	Roanoke-Chowan Regional Housing Authority	15
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***Next Quarterly Piedmont Regional Committee meeting**

December 8, 2021 – on Zoom

Send Webpage Updates to Teresa Robinson at TRobinson@communitylinknc.org

The Piedmont Regional Committee minutes are on the Region 5 webpage
<https://www.ncceh.org/bos/region5/>

ZOOM Link for Quarterly Meetings -

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86463310303?pwd=ZUJNSIA3VUUyODI5VmNCMHZsV1ZEQT09>

Meeting ID: 864 6331 0303

Passcode: 839211

Other Relevant Links:

Coordinated Entry Evaluation Material on the NCCEH webpage, under [BOS Coordinated Entry](#)

[Vaccine Operational Guidance for Homeless Provider Staff](#)

State COVID Vaccine Prioritization of NC Homeless Population

Letter to Secretary Mandy Cohen and signers: <https://www.ncceh.org/files/11345/>

Carolina Public Press Article:

<https://carolinapublicpress.org/42630/why-were-homeless-shelters-deprioritized-for-vaccines/>

Stateline (Pew Charitable Trusts):

<https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/blogs/stateline/2021/03/01/states-fail-to-prioritize-homeless-people-for-vaccines>

NEXT REGIONAL MEETING IS December 8th 10 am- 12pm

Platform will be virtual for our meeting in December.