

Northeastern Homeless Coalition
Region 11

February 23, 2023

Minutes

Those Present:

- Lakitra Claude – Trillium
- Kisha Darden – Trillium
- Amy Modlin – Trillium
- Michele Welsh – Trillium
- Curtis Shannon – Hampton VA
- Debra Susie – NCCEH
- Marti Chick-Ebey – Hampton VA
- Tammy Kittrell – Trillium
- Sonya Williams – Vidant Health
- Angel Denson - ARHS

Roll Call/Introductions

- Those present introduced themselves and what agency they were representing.

Steering Committee Updates (Lakitra)

- Special NOFO awards were announced by HUD. The NC BoS was awarded \$21,844,985
 - \$7,041,152 for rural projects
 - \$14,843,833 for unsheltered projects
 - The NC Office of Recovery and Resiliency (NCORR) will conduct an RFP once the awards are available to choose Regional Service Providers across the CoC will be able to apply for the funds from NCORR – more information will become available in the next few weeks
- HUD has initiated the beginning of the FY2023 CoC Competition
 - Regional Leadership and At-Large members have been asked to help recruit agencies to apply
 - Agencies that apply must be able to run effective programs and eligible activities include Permanent Supportive Housing and Rapid Re-housing
- Regional Committees need to choose a Scorecard Committee representative
 - The committee recommends both new and renewal applicant scorecards for the CoC competition
 - Regional Committees should choose and submit their representatives by February 28th

ESG Funding and Project Review Committee (Debra)

- Encouraged committee members to serve as a representative for the Project Review Committee and CoC Scorecard Committee
 - The representative must be conflict – do not currently operate a HUD CoC funded project or intend to apply for a HUD CoC-funded project in the 2023 competition
- Region 11 lost approximately \$67,000 for Rapid Rehousing
 - The money will be divided up among 2 or 3 other agencies in other regions
 - Encouraged the committee to think of other agencies in the region that may be able to apply for the funding in the future

Unsheltered Access Coordinator (Michele)

- This position is still vacant and needs to be filled
- The position would work closely with the CE Lead which is Michele
- Duties include:
 - Serve as primary contact for Regional Committee around unsheltered access
 - Coordinate with regional Coordinated Entry Lead to ensure people experiencing unsheltered homelessness access the local coordinated entry system
 - Ensure data collection happens on all people experiencing unsheltered homelessness
 - Engage providers/organizations/stakeholders to understand the local plan to engage people experiencing unsheltered homelessness and how to connect them to the coordinated entry system
 - Provide additional training to providers/organizations/stakeholders as needed

Committee Participation

- The committee had a brainstorming session on how to get more agencies involved in the regional committee
- Some suggestions included:
 - Contact agencies within the region and ask them to present their programs
 - Start having in person meetings and meet in different counties
 - Reach out to public housing authorities
 - Try to get the agencies that were participating in the past back to the table

Housing Programs/Resources

- The committee was asked to share any housing programs/resources that they know about within the region

Case Conferencing/Updates

- Updates were given on some of the individuals that are on the by-name list

Agency Updates

- Brad has left River City and his replacement will be Tesheena Edmondson. She was previously a housing manager. River City is still operating their emergency shelter. At the end of the month, 4 individuals will be leaving the program.
- Albemarle Hopeline – has a new staff person – J. Williams – handles education
 - 2 Available positions – Victim Advocate and Overnight Shelter Specialist
 - Run 4 Hope 5K will be held on April 22nd from 8am – 10am at Charles Creek Park
- Mr. Shannon with the Hampton VA will be visiting Elizabeth City on March 7th to check on homeless veterans in the area

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:52am

The next regular meeting will be held on March 9, 2023 at 9:00am.

Due to confidentiality, the case conferencing notes are not attached to the minutes.