

**ROCKINGHAM COUNTY REGIONAL COMMITTEE
TO END HOMELESSNESS**
(Balance of State, Continuum of Care)

MEETING MINUTES
July 21, 2016



Members Present: Faye Pierce (Chair), Ellery Blackstock (Past Chair), Jeanne Penn (Secretary), Marlene Harrison (Regional Lead), Tabitha Cox (Treasurer), Curtis Pierce (Alternate Lead), Tracey Boubacar (Daymark Recovery), Penn McMichael (Rescue Mission), DeShanna Johnson (Cardinal Innovations).

Welcome – Chair, Faye Pierce thanked and welcomed everyone for attending.

Prayer – Marlene opened the meeting with prayer.

Meeting Minutes Review/Approval of last meeting – Motion to accept was made by Curtis and seconded by DeShanna.

Treasurer's Report & Coordinated Assessment / Housing Report – Please see Attachments A and B.

Tabitha read the housing and treasury report.

Rescue Mission – Penn reported that the Ministry is doing very well and they are in hope of continued growth and adding services to include a location in Reidsville, as well as a year round shelter. They have applied for funds from two local foundations with the hopes of funding for staff as well as a refrigerated trailer that could be shared with LOT 2540 in order to transport and deliver food from the Second Harvest Food Bank. Penn also reported that the Congregational Nurses (People Engaged in Neighborhood Nursing) come to the mission each Wednesday and are seeing between 20-25 people each week. Food distribution as well as hot meals and ministry services are provided every Wednesday and the 1st and 3rd Saturday in each month. Showers are available as well as a washer and dryer, every Wednesday. They would like to find a better location for the showers and several suggestions were made. Penn advised that their mission is to be a Christ Centered organization that provides holistic, person centered services. The NC Dental Bus will be at the facility on August 20. Individuals wanting to use this service need to sign up at the Rescue Mission. There will likely be a small charge for non-registered individuals. The group pledged support in every aspect in assisting with this ministry and hopes for a permanent shelter.

Score Card Committee: Ellery reported that the committee has met and the score card for grants has been completed.

Veterans : Curtis reported that the Stand Down planning is going well and that RCVC has been able to relocate their food pantry to 342-C, Cherokee Camp Rd in Wentworth. Food distribution is made on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-1. This service is for veterans and their family members. Some proof of service connection such as a Veteran's ID or discharge papers must be provided in order to receive food.

May possibly be able to work with DAV in getting their numbers input into CHIN.

Restructuring and Regional Lead Report: Please see Attachment C. Marlene read the Regional Lead report to include restructuring updates.

Mental Health Provider Updates: Cardinal Innovations has replaced Center Point and DayMark Recovery Services now reports to Cardinal. Tracey advised that she has been transferred to Guilford County and that Arthur Light will be her replacement for our county. She told the group that she will pass on meeting information to Arthur. DeShanna Johnson will be in the same position under Cardinal and advised that Melissa Bunker will be representing Rockingham County as contact information. DeShanna's new email is deshannajohnson@cardinalinnovations.org.

Success Stories: Help, Inc: Tabitha shared that she was able to quickly house a client who came into the shelter in less than a week, via ESG funds. Faye reported that she was able to house a family via PSH, who had been living in a shack with a door only partially covered. She also is in the process of housing the family who had been living in a tent in the woods, referred by Penn.

Group Discussion: The group discussed the need to increase attendance. Faye emphasized the importance of media coverage and various outlets were discussed, such as radio and television. Faye requested that the group continue to look at and post to, the Rockingham County Homeless FB page. Penn suggested identification of pictures taken in our county. Faye also suggested that the group consider writing letters to The Editor of the local newspapers passed out samples.

Motion to Adjourn – Made by Curtis and seconded by Ellery

Next meeting will be on August 18, 2016 at 10:00 am.

Respectfully Submitted,



Marlene Harrison

Regional Lead

ATTACHMENT A

Housing Report – July 2016

Reidsville Housing Authority

Total number of 40 slots.
Total number of 41 slots taken.
Total number of 15 family slots taken.
Total number of -- individual slots taken.
Total number of 51 adult clients.
Total number of 35 child clients.
Total number of 0 slots available.
Total number of 3 clients in process of entering program.
Total number of 0 clients graduated or left the program this month.
Total housed – 89

Help, Incorporated: Center Against Violence

Total number of 3 slot.
Total number of 3 family slots taken.
Total number of 0 individual slot taken.
Total number of 3 adult clients.
Total number of 4 child clients.
Total number of LIMITED slots available.
Total number of 3 families in process of entering program.
Total number of 0 families that graduated or left the program this month.

Rockingham County Help for Homeless

PERMANENT GRANT PROGRAM

Total number of 20 slots.
Total number of 20 slots taken.
Total number of 10 family slots taken.
Total number of 10 individual slots taken.
Total number of 27 adult clients.
Total number of 21 child clients.
Total number of 0 slots available.
Total number of 0 clients in process of entering program.
Total number of 0 clients that graduated or left the program this month.

RAPID RE-HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM

Total number of 14 slots.
Total number of 15 slots taken.
Total number of 7 family slots taken.
Total number of 8 individual slots taken.
Total number of 15 adult clients.
Total number of 15 child clients.
Total number of 0 slots available.
Total number of 0 clients in process of entering program.
Total number of 1 clients that graduated or left the program this month.

ATTACHMENT B

August 1, 2016

Previous Balance \$2,086.46

End Balance \$2,086.46

ATTACHMENT C

REGIONAL LEAD REPORT JULY 2016

- **REGIONAL RESTRUCTURING:** BoS staff will review the timeline for implementation of the new Regional Committee structure that was approved by the Steering Committee, including available TA from staff.

- Webpage – <http://www.ncceh.org/bos/restructuring/>

Expected Timeframes:

- August 31 – Presentation of Transitional Plan to current Regional Committees for approval
- Sept. 30 – All committees should at least have had an initial meeting of combined counties.
- Oct – BoS are planning a one day meeting with the new committees to discuss a 100 plan for the transition.
- BoS staff will email current Regional Leads this week to about scheduling a mandatory call either the week of August 8, or September 12.

- **ESG Update:**

- Should be released in August
- BoS staff will schedule calls via email this week, with ESG Leads
- For additional information: <http://www.ncceh.org/bos/esg/>
- Funding amounts will not be available until grant is released, expected to be the similar to prior year
- Can apply this year as standing Regional Committee, or combined, but must be common consent of Restructured Region.

- **CoC Update:**

- Project applications; supporting letters due by August 12.
- Applicants do not need leverage documentation this year, but must prove a 25% match.
- Regional Leads will be sent a form to collect info for the CoC application, via email, this week.
- Curtis Pierce has agreed to represent Rockingham County on the Project Review Committee (Ranking Committee).
- Time Frames: August 11 – Introductory call; August 18, 19 and 22 – one on one calls with BoS staff to review scores. The final call will be on August 26 to create ranked lists of projects.
- BoS is revamping the APR review process and will send email reminders when they are due.

- **Coordinated Assessment:**

- CA Leads should share quarterly reports with regional committees.

- Calls are still held 2nd Tuesday from 3-4pm
- CA Exchange meeting materials:
<http://www.ncceh.org/bos/subcommittees/caexchange/>
- CA Outcome Report will be a part of the CAC oversight

- **Written Standards:**
 - Revised Standards for Grants posted at:
<http://www.ncceh.org/bos/subcommittees/writenstandards/>
 - Feedback due by August 12. (Our 3 funded agencies have already submitted the required feedback form).
 - CA will also have updated written standards, sent via email to CA and Regional Leads for feedback by August 12.
 - A **Special Steering Committee Call** will be held on **Aug. 30**, at 10:30.
 - The drafts will be posted on the website by August 31.
 - **The drafts for all written standards will be presented for final approval at the September 6 steering committee call.**

- **Veteran Homelessness:**
 - The Steering Committee approved the creation of a Veterans Subcommittee to implement plans to end Veteran homelessness.
 - Anyone interested in joining this subcommittee should contact:
bos@ncceh.org.

Respectfully Submitted,

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