**Transylvania Regional Committee
Meeting Minutes**

**Date: May 5, 2016
Location: Brevard Housing Authority**

**Meeting Facilitated By: Jennifer Molliere**

**Regional Committee Leadership**

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| **Position** | **First & Last Name** |
| Regional Lead | Jennifer Molliere |
| Alternate Lead | Barbara Marr |
| Coordinated Assessment Lead | Jennifer Molliere |
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 **Attendees**

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| **First & Last Name** | **Agency** | **Contact Information** |
| Jennifer Molliere | The Haven |  |
| Barbara Marr | United Way TC TRAIN |  |
| Rhodney Norman | BHA |  |
| Shelly Miller | TCS |  |
| Beth Branagan | TCS |  |
| Bethany Brown | Mission |  |
| Jim Hartye | Mission |  |
| Colin Kirkman | UWTC |  |
| Ellen Sizemore | Meridian |  |
| Gentry Hamrick | Meridian |  |
| Teesie | SAFE |  |
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**Standing Agenda Items**

**Approval of previous month’s minutes**

Approved with comments to clarify that our Transylvania County Homeless Coalition will continue meeting monthly. Information from these meetings will be shared at Regional level.

**BoS Steering Committee meeting highlights**

Restructuring was discussed. BoS wants to be sure we are all clear about the progress of the transition.

**Coordinated Assessment NEED To Update!?**

* Report from local CA subcommittee
	+ No changes. Having a regional meeting at the end of May to discuss restructuring.
* Review of monthly numbers
	+ # Prevention & Diversion Screen: (Haven) 5 completed
	+ # VI-SPDATs: SAFE hasn’t started with assessment. Haven=0
	+ # of referrals
		- SSVF: David Carr not in attendance to report
		- RRH: 1
	+ # on waitlist: Haven-7, Haven Family-0, BHS-82, SAFE-7
* Outstanding CA issues
	+ Grievances filed
	+ Gaps in current system
* BoS CA Exchange highlights

**Agency reports**

TCS: Beth brought posters about the changes to the McKinney Vento Act. These are to be posted in schools and around community. Posters were distributed to attendees. 165 homeless students were identified throughout Transylvania County and 21 preschool children last year. REACH meeting September 13th at 11am.

Meridian: Annual Voices in Recovery event will be Sept. 29th, 12pm-3pm. Agencies can set up table to share information with Meridian students. Contact Ellen if an agency would like a table. Location is at 69 N. Broad, Brevard. Meridian has a Community Support Team who has two professionals who can transport clients to appointments.

SAFE: Currently seeking an Empowerment Case Manager and a Child Advocate for their organization.

The Haven: A new collaboration with SAFE and Blue Ridge Community Health will help to provide physicals to incoming clients within 24-48 hours. Mental health services within a week. Currently working with the Dept. of Transportation to help shuttle clients to and from appointments. Also currently seeking additional options for transportation. Currently seeking prescription assistance. This program will be part of the Coordinated Assessment Plan in the future. At the region level there is potential for this type of collaboration to spread over the four counties to bring equal services across the new region. Services rendered and unable to meet will be tracked during this time to determine needs.

TRAIN: New TRAIN Specialist was introduced. Barbara will maintain a presence at Regional level along with other United Ways who are part of the region. Colin will be attending this monthly meeting along with other TRAIN duties. TRAIN and Brevard College have partnered to provide a mini-Volunteer Opportunity Fair at the Students Activities Fair on September 15th from 11-1:30.

**Other Agenda Items:**

Mission shared updates about their services: Mission has brought in Jim to help increase awareness of communities outside of Buncombe County. The goal is help the Emergency Department staff/Mission increase their knowledge of local services available to patients. This would also help the community increase their awareness of the Mission services. Beth brings first-hand knowledge of patient needs and is working to help bring in resources. Their long term goal is to have community meetings at the hospital consisting of outpatient service providers. NC 2-1-1 will be presented at Transylvania Regional Hospital Leadership meeting by United Way on September 13th.

Restructuring Update: ESG funds were awarded to Sisters in Christ in Rutherford County, but funds have been re-allocated to the state due to lack of infrastructure to support proper allocation. Transylvania County still has ESG funds available. Jennifer has met with different shelters in Polk/Rutherford, but they are not interested in applying for and managing the funds. Polk/Rutherford will be included in the application for ESG and Jennifer will be providing support to help an organization such as Sisters of Christ to better prepare for future ESG funding. Transylvania will be mentoring other counties in the new region to ensure consistent services are available through continuum of care. Homeward Bound has almost completely pulled out of Henderson County. An alternate organization in Henderson County has been identified and will be approached as a possible ESG applicant. This will be the last year each independent county will apply for ESG funds. Next year we will be applying as a region.

**Next meeting date, time, & location: October 6 at 9am, Brevard Housing Authority.**