



GUILFORD COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE

Working to End Homelessness in Guilford County

Guilford County Continuum of Care Membership Meeting

Location: Jamestown Presbyterian Church

February 13, 2020 – 9:30am – 11:00am

Attendance:

I. MEMBERS PRESENT: **Caring Services** (Gattis Long), **Central Carolina Health Network** (Donna Hodges), **City of High Point** (Michelle McNair, Alisha Doulen), **City of Greensboro** (Elizabeth Danley), **Family Service of the Piedmont** (Tom Campbell, Becky Hunt), **Greensboro Housing Authority** (Annette Harris, Jonathan Beech, Tameria Fewell), **Greensboro Police Dept.** (John Thompson) **Greensboro Urban Ministry** (Mark Sumerford), **High Point University** (Dr. Pamela Palmer), **Open Door Ministries** (Steve Key, Leah Westbrook, Tonya Clinard, Beth Waters), **Partners Ending Homelessness** (Bennita Curtain, Rebekah Dobbins), **Psychotherapeutic Services, Inc.** (Debbie DuRuss), **Room at the Inn** (Albert Hodges), **Salvation Army of High Point** (Twanna Craft, Roxanne Mills), **The Servant Center** (Shanna Reece) **Tiny Houses Community Development, Inc.** (Scott Jones), **West End Ministries** (Brad Bowers), **Women's Resource Center of Greensboro** (Chewan Moore), **Youth Focus** (Jonathan Mindas, Sarah Roethlinger), **YWCA of Greensboro** (Lindy Garnette).

VISITORS: **High Point Police Department** (Jeff Boyd, Evelyn Dockery, Gary Rene, Ian Stanick, Matt Truitt), **Family Justice Center** (Heather Magill), **ACTS Ministries** (Dan Hodgson), **Goodwill** (Jessica Schultz), **Veterans Services** (Robert Shelley).

II. Welcome and Introductions (meeting begins): Dr. Palmer called meeting to order @ 9:09 a.m. There was quorum. Members introduced themselves; the Pastor of the church, Jay Smith, welcomed members. Dr. Palmer welcomed the High Point Police Department and thanked them for their attendance.

III. Review and Approve Minutes – December 12, 2019

Minutes were approved at the end of the meeting via Dr. Palmer. Tom Campbell of Family Services made a motion to approve and Sarah Roethlinger of Youth Focus seconded. They were approved.

A. 2020 meeting dates - Mar 12, Apr 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug 13, Sept 10, Oct 8, Nov 12, Dec 10

IV. Membership Members

A. New members were presented to the CoC membership by Dr. Palmer for approval.

1. Piedmont Triad Apartment Association – Jon Lowder
2. Guilford County Family Justice Center – Heather Magill/Cathering Johnson
3. Guilford County Veterans Services – Robert Shelly Jr. / Traci Lundy
4. Hadassah Inc. – Claretta Witherspoon

B. New members were presented and approved by the membership; Sarah Roethlinger made a motion to approve and Michelle McNair 2nd the motion. New members were approved.

V. Member Spotlight – Central Carolina Health Network

Donna Hodges from Central Carolina Health Network presented regarding their agency.

- Support and serve in 7 counties
- Housing Opportunities for individuals with HIV
- Target Key Program
- Utility, Mortgage, and Rental Assistance
- Voucher Program
- Currently a waiting list for housing

VI. Collaborative Applicant UPDATE

- a. SPEC Committee Report – Alisha Doulen gave an update for the SPEC committee during this time – She stated they wanted to be more involved in monitoring over the next few months; were looking to get feedback during the next meeting regarding the appeals process and project scorecard reviews; the committee is also wanting to get ahead of the NOFA for LOI's and to provide Technical Assistance and Training for both new applicants and renewal projects
- b. The SPEC committee is hoping to have an interest meeting in April or May; they are also looking to take more of a role in the application and NOFA process to avoid conflicts of interest

VII. HMIS UPDATE

Partners HMIS Update – No update from HMIS Committee – Some members asked for Point in Time Count (PITC) update

- a. Many stated they felt the PITC process improved this year; went smoothly, had a lot of volunteers; felt like there was an increase in numbers, but no specifics yet; Greensboro Police Department assisted – Dan Hodgson from High Point stated that High Point's numbers increased but still feel like we're missing a piece – he stated he's spoken to Debbie and Bennita regarding High Point

VIII. Strategic Planning Update - Dr. Palmer

- Dr. Palmer reminded/invited everyone to stay after for our CoC Membership meeting for a Strategic Planning work session.
- Nancy Hunter coordinated the facilitation of six focus groups to gather feedback data relative to CoC membership's insight and perspective regarding the future of the Guilford County CoC.

IX. Coordinated Entry Lead UPDATE – Shanna Reece

- Sarah Roethlinger stated that the training for the year had been laid out and identified; she stated that the IRC funds between HUD and the IRC that were originally for Coordinated Entry would not be released to PEH/CoC for Coordinated Entry, HUD will recapture those funds; PEH is planning to post the Lead Position next week

X. CoC Committee Reports

- Housing Resource Committee – Ramona Carl - No update
- Governance Committee – Thanena Wilson - No update
- Advocacy and Public Relations Committee – Gattis Long - He stated they would like to see supportive

services at our meetings so they are involved, especially agencies serving weekly meals.

- Membership Committee – Bernita Simms – New members approved earlier in meeting
- Nominating Committee – Thanena Wilson - No update
- Strategic Planning Committee – Pamela Palmer (Interim) – See update above.
- HMIS/Data Committee – Scott Jones – See update above.
- System Performance and Evaluation Committee – Thanena Wilson (Interim) - See update above.
- Coordinated Entry – Shanna Reece – See update above.
- Appeals Committee – as Needed - N/A
- Executive Committee – Pamela Palmer - No update
- Youth Committee – Sarah Roethlinger - No update

XI. Old Business and/or New Business

Michelle McNair requested the CoC members update the High Point Police Department regarding the work and purpose of our CoC meetings; Shanna defined the role of the CoC Members and that our goal is to reduce and end homelessness in Guilford County; Michelle stated that she and Brian Hahne met with the High Point Police Department a week ago and thanked them for being at the table today. She stated they are working to have a representative from the High Point Fire Department present at our next meeting. Michelle also asked for the Police to share or ask any questions they had as well. There was discussion about the need of a day shelter in High Point as well as shelters that offer life skills classes during the day for the Police to refer individuals to. Brad Bowers from West End Ministries stated they had a day room open that women could come to in bad weather. Gattis stated that the HPPD did participate in CIT training at Caring Services in High Point. Dan Hodgson stated that we definitely need to be more involved in High Point City conversations for a future day shelter.

Brad Bowers reminded members that West End Ministries has a women's overflow shelter open for the next month and a half in High Point – first contact them to see if there is open space – 336-906-7725

XII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Next CoC Board Meeting 3/18/20 and Membership Meeting 3/12/20 – See Website