



## Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2023 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Chamber for a Greater Chapel Hill Carrboro and [Zoom](#)

**Attending:** Jess Anderson, Donna Carrington, Tim Daaleman, Barbara Foushee, Marsha Gale, Jackie Jenks, Everett McElveen, Bernard Miles, Blake Rosser, Beth Schehl; Guests - Thomas Johnson-Bean, Jamall Kinard, Andrea Carey, Paris Miller-Foushee; Staff - Rachel Waltz, Kat Wies

### Opening

Chair Foushee wished the group a Happy Pride, Happy Juneteenth, and Happy Father's Day.

### Racial Equity Session

Thomas Johnson-Bean and Jamall Kinard, The L.I.F.E. Group, began discussion with a prompt: What is community? In this group, what is community and what grounding happened before launching into work like this equity initiative? Members discussed how authentic relationships build community. Members discussed how those relationships need to be able to sustain difficult conversations and truth-telling. Consultants encouraged the group to seek understanding in relationships, particularly as it relates to opposing viewpoints in order to build bridges. The group then discussed the components and antidotes of [white supremacy culture](#) regarding Paternalistic and Binary thinking. Members discussed the tension between urgency of action and inclusive processes. The recommended comment in this case is to highlight the quality over quantity urge and to push for quality of process.

### Presentation – Gap Deep dive: Bridge Housing (OCPEH Staff)

Staff provided an overview of the need, best practices, and current inventory of Bridge Housing in Orange County, particularly as discharges from correctional settings are increasing. Consultants urged the group to consider how to highlight and amplify feedback from people with lived experience to change the narrative and highlight the way these two systems interact and compound harms if the gap persists.

### OCPEH Updates (Chair)

Leadership Team minutes from the May 15 meeting were approved unanimously [T. Daaleman, J. Anderson].

### [HUD Funding Competitions Overview](#)

The 2023 HUD funding competition season is approaching with funding announcements expected in early June and likely due in mid-August. This is earlier than in 2021 and 2022. Presentation of expected available funding, roles and responsibilities of OCPEH Staff, Leadership Team, and Project Review Committee, typical timeline, and next steps is linked above.

### Funding Principles and Priorities (Chair)

During last year's competition, Leadership Team members asked for more explicit understanding of how application ranking is developed. The Project Review Committee and Staff developed a [draft of principles and priorities](#). Leadership Team members are asked to discuss and finalize these values for use in the FY 2023 competitions. The NC Balance of State document is available [here](#) for review. Members were invited to suggest edits or wordsmith live with Partnership. Members agreed that racial equity and reducing harms must lie at the center of the CoC's funding principles. Members expressed a desire to learn more about timeframes associated across the process from housing crisis→contact with the Chapel Hill/Orange County CoC→ obtaining housing.

Staff informed the Leadership Team that the CE Planning committees is developing a process map to identify bottlenecks and areas that do not value areas to reduce lengths of time that people experience homelessness. Staff also reminded the Leadership Team that the CE Planning committee reviews and suggests revisions to a variety of operating documents, including the CoC's Written Standards and prioritization rubric and that the Leadership Team reviews that those recommendations annually.

**Wrap Up and Adjourn**

The Leadership Team historically does not meet in July. Staff are (anxiously) awaiting the CoC funding announcement that determines when the final deadline to apply for funds, when the local deadlines to apply and notify applicants of the funding recommendation are. There is a need to develop funding recommendations for the ESG funds the week of 7/31.

**Next Meeting:** TBD There will be a doodle poll to find a date for funding recommendations.

**Remaining 2023 Meetings:** 8/21; 9/18; 10/16; 11/20; 12/18