



Attendance: Natasha Adams, Nate Broman-Fulks, Mia Burroughs, Ronald Carnes, Nancy Coston, Kim Crawford, Allison De Marco, Kathleen Ferguson, Sarah Furman, Chinita Howard, Jackie Jenks, Alix McKay, Nancy Oates, Aly Peeler, Harrison Pierce, Corey Root, Devin Ross, Diiv Sternman, Charlotte Stewart, Jerry Villemain

Action Items in bold

Agency Updates

- The Affordable Housing Summit was rescheduled to Friday, February 23rd.

Leadership Team individual actions update

- There is a list of [Leadership Team expectations and individual actions](#) – Leadership Team members are asked to complete three individual actions each year.
- Allison DeMarco gave a guest lecture and talked about what the partnership does to a class at UNC.

OCPEH updates

- Update on Street Outreach
 - Street outreach is working directly with people that are living unsheltered to get connected directly to program referrals. OCPEH is partnering with the Center for Excellence in Community Mental Health to apply for street outreach through SAMSA.
- Update on Risk Mitigation fund
 - Orange County Department of Housing & Community Development will be hosting this program, but Corey will connect with Sherrill Hampton on program details.
- Leadership Team On-Boarding
 - Orientation Packets were available that give an overview of OCPEH work; We will update leadership team roster
 - The Chair and Coordinator will be available after Leadership Team meetings on Feb. 19 and Mar. 19 to answer questions, discuss work, clear up acronyms etc
- Events
 - NC Homeless Conference will be April 30-May 1 at the McKimmon Center in Raleigh, registration info to come
 - Disability Lunch and Learn series – March 2 and March 9, 12-1pm at IFC Community House, 1315 Martin Luther King Blvd in Chapel Hill
 - Homelessness 101
 - Noon-1pm on March 14, Chapel Hill Public Library, Lunch & Learn format, register online: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/homelessness-lunch-learn-tickets-42648992284>
 - 5:30-7pm on April 12, Carrboro Town Hall, traditional presentation format, register online: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/homelessness-101-in-carrboro-tickets-43257689915>
- Talks about the housing locator position are ongoing.

Meeting Minutes

- A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from [January 22](#). [Ferguson, Stewart] All in favor, none opposed

Presentation on Master Lease Proposal

A group of business people, advocates, and people experiencing homelessness have crafted a proposal to house many extremely low income households in Orange County using [Master Leasing, aka "subletting with a social mission."](#)

- Same concept except there is an entity that is originating the leases with multiple landlords throughout town. Subletting these apartments out to individuals who are at risk or currently experiencing homelessness, screening them, and renting them with a subsidy. Handle as much of the screening side as possible to get over barriers to housing. From a landlords perspective, they get units rented (full amount) for a designated amount of time with assurance that they will get paid – it simplifies their lives and allows the entity to lower the barriers as much as possible with little risk to landlords. Case management built in as well.
- The ideal agency to host this would be an entity with a track record around affordable rentals
- The group wants to tap into existing funding streams and avoid competing funds that are going to Permanent Supportive Housing and other homeless programs.
- Potential questions to answer:
 - utilities, gas and electricity
 - Can the Risk mitigation fund be incorporated into this?
 - What is the cost for administrative fees?
 - When will preliminary conversations with landlords begin?
 - Letters of consistency? – Those conducting would like very specific feedback.

Point-in-Time Count Updates

OCPEH coordinated the annual Point-in-Time (PIT) count on January 31, 2018 – the annual count of people experiencing homelessness on one night. The Coordinator will review preliminary numbers and next steps.

- Takes quite a long time to analyze the data. Currently, the partnership sees 25 surveys from the street count and 22 surveys from the service count, but will continue to de-duplicate, including people that were going to the cold weather shelter. The final numbers are due to HUD May 1st. The count went well overall with the weather being normal, which shows a more accurate representation. There was great participation from agencies during the service count

Plan to End Homelessness – Progress Report & Proposal for 2018 Updates

The Coordinator reviewed progress on action items in 2017-2018 Orange County Plan to End Homelessness and discuss next steps. The Coordinator will also present options for updating the Plan this Spring (current plan ends June 2018) including holding a series of listening sessions for different stakeholder groups.

- [2017-2018 Plan to End Homelessness](#)
- [Listening Session Proposal](#)
- Categories that are at a federal level
 - Increasing leadership, collaboration, and civic engagement
 - Increase access to stable and affordable housing
 - Retool the homeless crisis response system
- Want a little bit of a longer time frame to formulate action steps and organize a series of listening sessions to update the OCPEH Plan to End Homelessness. It was suggested to add

disability groups, affordable housing staff, outreach court, and those who manage voucher programs as stakeholder groups.

- Next steps: who exactly we are talking about, getting meeting spaces, sending out invitations, identifying board members that will be at each one

Process to Review Outside Agency Funding Applications

Orange County asks the Partnership to review applications for Outside Agency funding having to do with homelessness. The Coordinator will review a proposed process for 2018 and ask for volunteers for a funding review committee.

- Call for volunteers – Outside Agency Funding Review Committee, 6 hours previewed time commitment:
 - 3 hours application review (prior to Feb. 28)
 - 2 hours agency meetings in Hillsborough – four 30 minute meetings
 - Two 30 minute meetings, Feb. 28 4-5pm
 - One 30 minute meeting, March 8, time TBD between 2-4pm
 - One 30 minute meeting, March 20 time TBD between 9am-5pm
 - 1 hour discussion meeting with other Committee members to formulate recommendation to bring to Leadership Team, after agency meetings and before March 19
- Double check who would be at the meetings and how that representation would break down, a change to the precedent.
- Volunteers: Allison DeMarco, Kathleen Ferguson, Natasha Adams, Alix McKay

Next Meeting: Monday March 19, 2018

Remaining 2018 Meetings:

Mar. 19, Apr. 16, May 21, June 18, No July Meeting, Aug. 20, Sep. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17