

Attending: Suzanne Hitt, Susan Friedman, Andrea Carey, Jasmin Vokel, Corey Root, Stephani Kilpatrick, Nicole Purdy

Welcome & Introductions

- Agency updates
 - IFC
 - Stephani will be transitioning to Development & Communications Manager position, keeping Data & Grants work, CoC and ESG apps and HMIS Agency Admin; Anna transitioning out of Development Director – recruiting for this position and Shelter & Housing Director positions; Linda new full time case manager; Angela working as part-time case manager
 - DSS
 - It's the last month in March for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP), everyone should come to DSS to apply if they haven't already; RRH case manager position interviews this month; RRH program transitioning to OC Housing Department
 - Compass
 - Hired PT Latinx Support Group Coordinator; DV Crisis Director on leave for two months, covering with volunteers; posting Crisis Housing Coordinator position soon, hope to start crisis housing program late summer/early fall; opening apps for mental health grant – people apply through Compass, get in relationship with private therapist, up to 16 sessions; Housing Governor's Crime Commission grant, could have more slots open
- OCEPH updates
 - Change in Coordinated Entry access sites – as of today, CEF stopping being an access site as of Friday March 6; OCEPH in process to hire temp CE Housing Specialist to start in the coming weeks, CE to start at Southern Human Services Center ASAP. OCEPH will send out communications with definitive info once we have it; people are able to call overnight, midnight-6AM to Homeless Hotline hopefully 3/9
 - Faith Connections on Mental Illness Conference, March 13 in Raleigh
 - <https://www.wakeahec.org/courses-and-events/60783/10th-annual-faith-connections-on-mental-illness-conference--hope-and-healing-faithfully-practicing-community-inclusion>
 - NC Homeless Conference, May 20-21 in Raleigh
 - <https://nchousing.org/bringing-it-home-2020/>
 - Kim Crawford leaving State ESG Office, going to Raleigh/Wake Partnership to End Homelessness CoC lead
- NCEH Data Center Staff Update



Data & Grants Workgroup – Meeting Minutes

Monday March 2, 1:45-3:15 pm

IFC Community House, 1315 MLK Jr. Blvd., Chapel Hill

- Staff attending diversion training to help inform CE practices from Cleveland Mediation Center focused on 2-1-1; Data Center posting two positions, Data Analyst and Director
- Jasmin and Nicole will be covering Orange
- HMIS survey results came in a few weeks back, Data Center looking at what changes can be implemented right away; HMIS Advisory Committee agreed to issue a Request for Information (RFI) on a potential HMIS software change
- LSA timeline shifted from potential April-May submission to August-September

2020 Census

- Happening in April 2020, really important for people to participate, Orange County loses \$1600/uncounted person/year
- For shelters, IFC can either give Census info directly or workers can come to shelters to count them; Stephani will use a combo option, ask Renee to come and talk with residents about the importance of participating

FY2019 System Performance Measure Review

OCEPH submitted [FY2019 System Performance Measures](#) to HUD on February 27. Workgroup members reviewed current data and discussed. Many gaps remain, as do increases in both average and median Length of Time Homeless. We are seeing a decrease from 18% to 14% returns to homelessness. We also saw decrease in the unduplicated sheltered homeless persons, from 301 last year to 274 this year – this feels like a reflection of longer lengths of time homeless rather than a decrease in need. There are also decreases in the number of people experiencing homelessness for the first time, from 205 to 158. This could be a reflection of the successful diversion program that started implementation in October 2018.

The group ran out of time and will review of current CoC & ESG grants and reporting dates and Review of Topics for Revised Written Standards will be discussed in April.

Next meeting: April 6