



Fredericksburg Regional CoC Meeting Minutes

Date: July 10, 2019

Time: 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Location: Rappahannock United Way

MEETING CALLED BY	Samantha Shoukas
TYPE OF MEETING	Full CoC
NOTE TAKER	Samantha Shoukas
ATTENDEES	Caroline County DSS; disAbility Resource Center; Empowerhouse; FailSafe- ERA; FAHASS; Fredericksburg DSS; GWRC; Havens for Hero's; Legal Aid Works; Loisann's Hope House; McGuire VA Medical Center; Office on Youth; Rappahannock Goodwill Industries; Salvation Army; Spotsylvania County DSS; Virginia Employment Commission; NAMI
ABSENT	Bragg Hill Family Life Center; CVHC; Dollars for Doorbells; Fredericksburg Area Food Bank; Fredericksburg Counseling Services; Fredericksburg City Schools; Fredericksburg Planning Department; GF Habitat for Humanity; Habitat for Humanity of Caroline; Lloyd F. Moss Free Clinic; Mary Washington Healthcare; Micah Ecumenical Ministries; New Post Apartments; New Directions; North Stafford Farmer's Market; Northern Virginia Family Service; Open Hand Fredericksburg; Project Faith, Inc.; Quin Rivers; Rappahannock Area Community Services Board (RACSB); Rappahannock Area Agency on Aging; RACSB (RRJ); Rappahannock United Way; Recovery In Motion; Rhema Christian Ministries; SERVE; Spotsylvania County Public Schools; Stafford County DSS; Stafford County Public Schools; Thurman Brisben Center; University of Mary Washington; Warfighters Refuge Project; Clay Mihoulides; Joe Hargrove; John C. Lafley; Caryn Prasse; Christian Zammias

DISCUSSION	
Introduction	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quorum was not met so minutes from April 10 meeting will be voted on at the next meeting with a quorum. 	
Updates	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 Point-In-Time Count <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The PIT count took place on January 24, 2019 and final report was submitted to HUD on April 30, 2019. Final numbers were shared with full membership and a detailed PIT report should be expected by the end of August detailing all parts of the survey. 	

- **System Performance Measures**

- Measures were submitted to HUD for approval on May 31, 2019. Highlights from this report are:
 - Slight increase in length of time homelessness
 - Slight increase in overall returns to homelessness, especially those leaving a street outreach or emergency shelter program. However, decrease in the number of returns to homelessness by those that are exiting from a CoC housing program - 88% of participants do not return
 - Decrease in the number of people coming to homelessness for the first time

- **Virginia Homelessness Solutions Program (VHSP) Funding**

- Submitted to DHCD in June 2019. Included renewal funding for state homelessness funds. Budget changes included increase to coordinated assessment funding, rapid rehousing funding and HMIS funding and a decrease in prevention funding. New applicants will be eligible to apply for this funding in the next round, expected around January 2020.

- **HUD continuum of Care Program Grant Application**

- HUD has released announcement of applications for CoC funding. CoC is currently developing local NOFA and materials, which should be released by the end of the month.

- **Unsheltered Homelessness Initiative**

- The CoC has house 4 households including 6 people through the Unsheltered Homelessness Initiative funding received from the City and Mary Washington Hospital. The City has committed an additional 10,000 to the cause and the CoC will be working on presenting to the other localities regarding the pilot success to apply in local application process toward end of year.

Committee Updates

- The chair or vice chair from each of the CoC committees provided a brief overview of the work being done in the past quarter and where the committee is going forward.
 - The Board has approved committee action plans, applied for VHDA grant to assist with strategic planning and submitted VHSP grant. Next quarter the Board will be working on selecting a consultant to administer the VHDA grant if awarded, develop regional homelessness proposal for region, and submit the HUD CoC program application.
 - Funding and Performance Committee has reviewed and ranked VHSP applications and begun working on monitoring and evaluation plan. In the next quarter the committee will be reviewing/ranking applications for the HUD CoC program application and finalize evaluation and monitoring plan.
 - System planning committee has finalized action plan, identified ways to expand SOAR capacity in the community. And reviewed and made updates to the communities housing prioritization process. Next quarter the committee will be working on updating the community's coordinated entry policies and procedures, develop policies and procedures for each CoC project type, and provide training on data analysis for providers and staff.
 - Discharge planning group has identified key goals of the group surrounding cross training, resource development, and mental health services. Next quarter the group will begin looking at MOUs needed to put process in place for coordination between agencies and begin developing training and resources for front line workers in the community.

Agency Reports

- Agencies in attendance reported on major updates and upcoming events.

Next Meeting

- The next CoC meeting will be held October 9, 2019 at Rappahannock United Way.