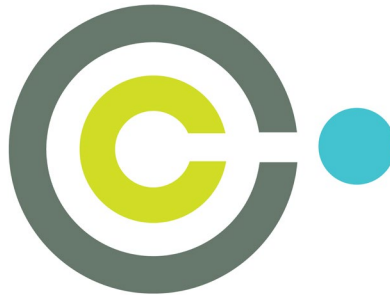


FREDERICKSBURG REGIONAL  
CONTINUUM OF CARE

**Fredericksburg Regional Continuum of Care  
CoC Full Membership Agenda  
October 14, 2020**

- Introduction
- Approval of July 8, 2020 Minutes
- Vacant CoC Board Seat Election
- CoC Updates
  - CoC Staff Introductions
  - COVID-19 Update
  - Unsheltered Homelessness Initiative
  - Bylaws Working Group
  - 2021 Point-In-Time Count
- CoC Board Report
- Committee Reports
- Agency Updates

**Next meeting:** January 13, 2021 at 10am



**Fredericksburg Regional CoC Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** July 8, 2020

**Time:** 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

**Location:** GoToMeeting (online)

<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	<b>Sam Shoukas</b>
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	Quarterly Meeting
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Sam Shoukas
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Caroline County DSS; Central Virginia Housing Coalition; disAbility Resource Center; Empowerhouse; Fredericksburg DSS; Fredericksburg Planning Department; George Washington Regional Commission; Germanna Community College; GF Habitat for Humanity; Haven for Hero’s; Loisann’s Hope House; McGuire VA Medical Center; Micah Ecumenical Ministries; Office on Youth; Rappahannock Area Community Services Board (RACSB); Rappahannock Goodwill Industries; Salvation Army; Stafford County DSS; Thurman Brisben Center
<b>ABSENT</b>	Bragg Hill Family Life Center; Couponing for a Cause; Dollars for Doorbells; Easterseals; FAHASS; FailSafe- ERA; Fredericksburg Area Food Bank; Fredericksburg Counseling Services; Fredericksburg City Schools;; Fredericksburg SPCA; Habitat for Humanity of Caroline; Legal Aid Works; Lloyd F. Moss Free Clinic; Mary Washington Healthcare; New Directions; North Stafford Farmer’s Market; Northern Virginia Family Service; New Post Apartments; Open Hand Fredericksburg; Project Faith, Inc.; Quin Rivers; Rappahannock Area Agency on Aging; Rappahannock United Way; Recovery In Motion; Rhema Christian Ministries; SERVE; Spotsylvania County DSS; Spotsylvania County Public Schools; Stafford County Public Schools; University of Mary Washington; Virginia Employment Commission; Warfighters Refuge Project; Ben Litchfield; Joe Hargrove; John C. Lafley; Clay Mihoulides; Caryn Prasse; Laura Sellers; Christian Zammias

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>Introduction</b>	
<b>Approval of April 8, 2020 Minutes</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CVHC moved to approve the minutes and Office on Youth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</li> </ul>	
<b>Approval of the CoC Strategic Plan</b>	

- Havens for Heros moved to approve the Board elections and CVHC seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**2020 Point-In-Time Count**

- CoC staff shared outcome of the 2020 PIT count that was submitted to HUD in March.

**COVID-19 Updates**

- CoC staff gave an update on the CoC COVID-19 response to date including strategies and funding received in the community targeting protecting those experiencing homelessness from the spread of COVID.

**Committee Reports**

- CoC Board Chair, Susanna Finn, shared accomplishments from the last quarter and goals for the upcoming quarter.
- Committee Chairs shared accomplishments from the last quarter and goals for the upcoming quarter for the System Planning committee, Funding and Performance committee, and Discharge Planning working group.

**Agency Reports**

- Agencies in attendance shared major updates and upcoming events. CoC staff will start an email chain for service and program updates due to COVID-19.

**Next Meeting**

- The next CoC meeting will be held October 14, 2020.

**Fredericksburg Regional Continuum of Care  
COVID-19 Funding**

	<b>Emergency Shelter Operations</b>	<b>Targeted Prevention</b>	<b>Rapid Rehousing</b>	<b>Admin</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>COVID Emergency Funding Support</b>				\$75,000	<b>\$75,000</b>
<b>VHSP COVID Funding</b>	\$518,903				<b>\$518,903</b>
<b>State COVID Relief</b>	\$46,000				<b>\$46,000</b>
<b>CHERP</b>	\$582, 832	\$32,400	\$1,081,062	\$99,782	<b>\$1,796,076</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,147,735</b>	<b>\$32,400</b>	<b>\$1,081,062</b>	<b>\$174,782</b>	<b>\$2,434,979</b>

**Funding Descriptions:**

**COVID-19 Emergency Funding Support (Virginia Housing): \$75,000**

**Performance Period:** March 1, 2020 – August 30, 2020

This funding provided general operations dollars to community agencies to support continued operations to provide housing services. Funds were used to support local housing agencies expenses on staffing/fringe, insurance, and building costs. Funds were not used for direct assistance to support clients. Funding was allocated to Empowerhouse, Loisann’s Hope House, Micah Ecumenical Ministries, Rappahannock United Way, and Thurman Brisben Center.

**VHSP COVID-19 Funding for Emergency Shelter Operations (DHCD): \$518,903**

**Performance Period:** April 2, 2020 – December 31, 2020

This funding was state COVID-19 funds to be used to provide temporary shelter of those experiencing homelessness. Funds were allocated to be expended on hotel rooms, including case management and transportation to support the hotels, for those that would otherwise be unsheltered to ensure those experiencing homelessness had safe shelter during the pandemic. Funding was allocated to Empowerhouse, Loisann’s Hope House, Micah Ecumenical Ministries, and Thurman Brisben Center.

**State COVID Relief (DHCD): \$46,000**

**Performance Period:** Through December 31, 2020

This funding is state funding to continue to support non-congregate sheltering through the end of 2020. This funding has been awarded to Empowerhouse and Loisann’s Hope House.

**Virginia COVID Homeless Emergency Response Program (CHERP) (Federal passthrough from DHCD)**

**CHERP Allocation 1 for Rapid Rehousing: \$499,354**

**Performance Period:** April 2, 2020 – September 30, 2022

This funding is federal ESG-CV funding passed through DHCD to the community for Rapid Rehousing. Rapid Rehousing funds are used to support those experiencing homelessness to return to permanent

housing with case management and short-term housing subsidy. Funding was allocated to Empowerhouse, Loisann's Hope House, and Micah Ecumenical Ministries.

**CHERP Allocation 2:** \$1,196,940 + \$99,782 in admin

**Performance Period:** April 2, 2020 – September 30, 2022

This funding is federal ESG-CV funding passed through DHCD to the community for Emergency Shelter Operations, Rapid Rehousing, Target Prevention, and Admin. Funding was allocated to Empowerhouse, Loisann's Hope House, and Micah Ecumenical Ministries.

## **Fredericksburg Regional CoC FY21-FY22 Unsheltered Homelessness Initiative Notice of Funding Availability**

The Fredericksburg Regional Continuum of Care (FRCoC) is soliciting project applications to select a provider to administer funding targeted toward unsheltered homelessness.

In FY2019 the FRCoC partnered with the City of Fredericksburg and Mary Washington Healthcare to fund a rapid re-housing (RRH) project focused on moving persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness back into permanent housing. This partnership developed into a two-year pilot project known as the Unsheltered Homelessness Initiative. (Additional information on the two-year pilot project can be found on the [FRCoC website](#).)

With success of the two-year pilot, the FRCoC is continuing the project for another two years. The FRCoC continues to seek increased funding for the project from all jurisdictions of PD-16, in addition to seeking additional funding opportunities from community partners that may also be able to support the project. This solicitation is seeking to select a provider to administer any funding received for the Unsheltered Homelessness Initiative FY21-FY22.

### **Applicant Eligibility & Requirements**

Per the [FRCoC Funding Policies & Procedures](#), applicants requesting funds must meet the following conditions:

1. Be a member of the FRCoC as defined in the Bylaws.
2. Agree to adhere to the *FRCoC Coordinated Entry Policies & Procedures*, including the following requirements of that document:
  - a. Follow the Housing First model
  - b. Participate in the CoC's coordinated entry process
  - c. Adhere to established project standards
  - d. Collect data through HMIS or a comparable database
3. Meet the eligibility requirements of the funding agency.

### **Project Requirements**

The project must be a rapid re-housing (RRH) project that meets all requirements contained in the [Virginia Homeless and Special Needs Housing Funding Guidelines 2020-2022](#).

Project participants will be identified through the FRCoC's existing prioritization process. All project participants must be households that were unsheltered at time of engagement with homeless services and/or unsheltered at time of enrollment in the RRH project.

### **Estimated Funding Available**

FRCoC has secured \$10,000 and is working to secure an additional funding for the project. As additional funding is secured, funding will be allocated to the administering provider to use toward the project.

The George Washington Regional Commission (GWRC) will serve as the fiscal agent for the project. Project costs will be paid on a reimbursement basis, with remittances being submitted to GWRC.

### **Funding Process & Timeline**

The *FRCoC Funding Policies & Procedures* governs the solicitation, review, selection, and ranking of projects for funding through collaborative applications to ensure an objective, transparent, and competitive funding process. The selection process for this funding will adhere to this policy.

<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Action</b>
9/25/2020	Application forms and scoring sheets approved by CoC Board
9/25/2020	Local NOFA, application forms, attachment templates, and scoring sheets sent to CoC members and posted to FRCoC website
9/29/2020	Information Session
10/26/2020	Project applications due to GWRC <b>at noon</b>
11/4/2020	Project applications reviewed and selected by Funding & Performance Committee
11/4/2020	Project applicants notified of determinations, proposal scores, and appeals process
11/6/2020	Appeals due to GWRC <b>at noon</b>
11/13/2020	Appeals reviewed and determined by Appeals Committee
11/13/2020	Appealing agencies notified of Appeals Committee determinations
11/20/2020	Project determinations approved by CoC Board
11/20/2020	Project applicants notified of CoC Board determinations
11/20/2020	Project determinations sent to CoC members and posted to FRCoC website

### **Application Submission**

Application forms and attachment templates, as well as scoring sheets, are available on the [Funding](#) page of the FRCoC website.

Project applications must be submitted via email to Samantha Shoukas at [shoukas@gwregion.org](mailto:shoukas@gwregion.org) by **October 26, 2020 at noon.**

### **Appeals Process**

Appeals will adhere to the appeals process outlined in the *FRCoC Funding Policies & Procedures*. Appeals must be submitted via email to Samantha Shoukas at [shoukas@gwregion.org](mailto:shoukas@gwregion.org) by **November 6, 2020 at noon.**