



FREDERICKSBURG REGIONAL
CONTINUUM OF CARE

Lived Experience Committee (LEC)

Date: February 10, 2022

Time: 6PM

Location: George Washington Regional Commission/GoToMeeting

MEETING CALLED BY	Christian Zammas (Individual) at 6:10
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly
NOTE TAKER	Todd Rump (GWRC)
ATTENDEES	Christian Zammas (In-person) Joe Hargrove (Virtual) Kima Nieves (Virtual) Jordan Leahy (In-person)
ABSENT	N/A

DISCUSSION	
<p>Introductions Each member introduced themselves at the first LEC meeting.</p> <p>Continuum of Care (CoC) Overview Todd Rump provided a CoC overview presentation to the group. This included a conceptual diagram on how the LEC will operate as a CoC committee.</p> <p>LEC Bylaws and CoC Committees Todd Rump briefly reviewed the LEC bylaws and other CoC committees and their functions.</p> <p>LEC Roles and Expectations There was a discussion among the LEC members about their roles and expectations with the new committee. A comment was made about wanting to ensure that the CoC was transparent to the LEC and that the group was able to provide inputs to all CoC processes.</p>	

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Todd Rump informed the group that CoC staff will be responsive to LEC requests and ensure the LEC receives pertinent information that impacts the CoC to review.

There was a discussion about how refugees, specifically Afghan refugees, were assisted by the CoC. The group discussed that these refugees were initially assisted by local social services departments, but that if they required housing after this initial placement could seek help through the CoC.

A concern was voiced about how housing was pushed to individuals without giving them services. It was mentioned that this was the Housing First model that the CoC has adopted. The concern was further clarified that adequate services were not being rendered after housing was provided.

There were concerns that the homeless helpline was not working as effectively as it should and that LEC members need to bring people physically to service providers to be properly served.

LEC Compensation Update

Todd Rump provided an update on the progress of the LEC members receiving compensation for their time on the committee. Current status is that a compensation policy is being developed and that CoC has prioritized resolving this issue.

Joe Hargrove departed the meeting at 6:45pm.

Tasks:

- LEC members were provided the draft Coordinated Entry Policy to review for discussion at the next meeting
- Request for LEC to be provided with CoC good news stories. It was suggested that the CoC Annual Report be distributed to the group.

Next Meeting: March 10, 2022 at 6PM at the George Washington Regional Commission/GoToMeeting

CONCLUSION	
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