

Memphis/Shelby County Homeless Consortium

Quarterly Full Consortium Meeting-Tuesday, September 17, 2024 @ 10:00 am
CoC Planning Committee Chairs: Katrill Braden (CMI)/Darren S. Bell (AHS)

Facilitators: Katrill Braden/Darren S. Bell

Minutes: Darren S. Bell

Welcome/Call to Order/Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by Katrill Braden. Due to several new faces, the committee members made a formal introduction to include the agency/position they currently have. The motion to approve the minutes from June 19, 2024 was made by Angie Galyean (Hope House) and a second was made from Angela Payne (CMI). The minutes were accepted.

CoC Committee Reports

HMIS-Valerie Mitchner provided the report for the committee. There is a HMIS mandatory training on September 24, 2024 at 9 am to 12 noon for those serving individuals and September 25, 2024 at 9am to 12 noon for those serving families.

Planning-Darren Bell provided the report for the committee. The last meeting was held virtually on Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 10 am. In this meeting, the new committee chairs were introduced. Next, a discussion was held around the CoC internal directory. Members were encouraged to complete the Google Doc in order for CAFTH to finish the directory and place it on the website with the goal for all members to have access to a fully functioning internal directory of agencies and services provided. A presentation by CAFTH was given regarding the 2024 NOFO timeline and what is new with this year's NOFO. **Next CoC Planning Committee meeting will be on October 15, 2024 at 10 am virtually.**

Youth-Kelsey Olive provided the report. They last met on September 28, 2024 and reviewed plans for the provider/youth mixer that will be held soon in order to provide more information of what services are available to you from the committee. Additionally, the committee discussed grant opportunities, reviewed the NOFO and what's new with the NOFO and project introductions were held as YAB was able to attend the meeting. **Next meeting was rescheduled so please be on the lookout for the new date.**

Veterans-no report provided.

YAB-Vaniel Simmons provided the report. The committee is discussing the possibility to host a youth summit for all youth of Memphis/Shelby County with the emphasis on how to support youth as they begin to navigate adulthood. YAB is currently between chairs as they are actively trying to hire a new chair as well as work toward the award of a new grant to expand their capacity in order to allow them hire a new chairperson and leadership team.

Outreach-Taurus Patton provided the report. The committee discussed assessments and its buildout in HMIS. The committee's next meeting is **Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 9 am** with a focus on prioritization.

Healthcare-Errin Woods provided the report. The committee continues to discuss discharge policies for those experiencing homelessness who are exited from hospitals. The committee chairs recently met with hospital administration to brainstorm on how to move forward with developing policy centered around those discharged who are experiencing homelessness. The next meeting's focus will be centered around vaccination efforts due to the impending fall/winter season quickly approaching.

Lived Experience-Tanisha Joyner provided the report. The committee has been working on creating a mission for the committee as well as a vision to include projects they are interested in pursuing. Also, an upcoming interview with a local news station is in the works to discuss with members their experiences of being homeless.

Annual CoC Excellence Awards Presentation by **Errin Woods**

Grit and Grind to an Outstanding Frontline Employee Award Winner-Melanie Hooker

Community Champion Award Winner-Lashunta Rudd

Mother King for Personal Achievement Award Winner-Ashley Moore

June Avery Award to an Outstanding Supervisor, Manager or Director of an Agency Winner-Benjamin Rhodes

Landlord of the Year Award Winner-Cicely Buckley

Beacon Award of Outstanding Agency Winner-SchoolSeed

Announcements

Errin Woods shared that on October 24, 2024 a Provider Social/Mixer will be held from 4:30 pm-6:30 pm with the location to TBD. Also, be on the lookout for the date for the Symposium which will hopefully take place this winter possibly in February 2025. The 901 Counts Resource Fair will be held at Catholic Charities on November 7, 2024. This event is being explored to be held throughout the year at different times. If you or your agency are interested in hosting, please reach out to Errin or Kelsey with CAFTH.

Angela Payne highlighted Ms. Elizabeth Wesley on her accomplishments as SOAR Liaison for successfully getting 87 approvals through the program. She was presented with an award separately for her efforts and success in improving the quality of life for those individuals.

Stephanie Reyes reminded everyone not to forget that the NOFO is due in esnaps on Friday, September 27, 2024 at 2:59:59 pm.

The next CoC Planning Committee will be on October 15, 2024 at 10 am virtually and the next full in-person quarterly consortium meeting will be on December 17, 2024 at 10 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 am.