

## **Memphis/Shelby County Homeless Consortium**

**Quarterly Full Consortium Meeting-Tuesday, December 17, 2024 @ 10:00 am**

**CoC Planning Committee Chairs:** Katrill Braden (CMI)/Darren S. Bell (AHS)

**Facilitators:** Errin Woods/Stephanie Reyes

**Minutes:** Darren S. Bell

### **Welcome/Call to Order/Approval of Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 am by Errin Woods. The motion to approve the minutes from September 17, 2024 was made by Toriella Jackson (CCWTN) and a second was made from Phillis Lewis (Love Doesn't Hurt). The minutes were accepted.

### **Brief Announcement from a Community Partner**

The consortium then received a brief announcement from Caleb Sigler on behalf of Chef Kelly English who was unable to be present. He provided information regarding an annual event their organization holds on behalf of the community which is the New Year's Day of Warmth event held for the purpose of giving back to the community. The mission of the event was to provide humanity and service to all individuals who attended and highlighted those who are doing the hard work for our community.

### **Equal Access Training**

Stephanie Reyes conducted this annual, mandatory training to the consortium. The purpose of this training was for members to receive a basic understanding of LGBTQ+ terms and pronouns through a condensed presentation of a broader and deeper overview of this topic. In addition, HUD's definition of "family" was given in the second part of this training. This was tied into a brief presentation of statistical disparities of these individuals and expectations of CoC funded organizations in ensuring equal access to housing and services is offered in accordance to HUD's guidelines.

### **New Business**

The consortium participated in an icebreaker game which led to the breakout session. It's intended purpose was for everyone to get in assigned groups based off of the slip paper they pulled to discuss "what is missing from our CoC" and "what project should we focus on in our first 8-12 week planning period." Each group discussed these items and presented it back to the full consortium afterwards. Errin shared with the consortium some highlights into what CAFTH is seeking to do as we enter into the new year.

### **Announcements**

No new announcements were given during this meeting.

**The next CoC Planning Committee will be on January 21, 2025 at 10 am in-person and the next full in-person quarterly consortium meeting will be on March 18, 2025 at 10 am.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 am.