

**NASHVILLE-DAVIDSON COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE  
HOMELESSNESS PLANNING COUNCIL (HPC)-MEETING MINUTUES**

<p><b>Council Members Present:</b> Stephen Handy, Deirdre Nicole Childress, Beth Shinn, D’Yuanna Allen-Robb, Jaha Martin, Kennetha Patterson, Sheila Decker, Traci Peckovitch, Kyonzte Toombs, Erin Evans, Will Connelly, Waddell Wright, Vicky Batchter, Jeff Gibson, Tom Turner.</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> Renee Pratt, Treva Gilligan, Ginger Hausser, April Calvin, Suzie Tolmie, Hannah Cornejo-Nell, Kelsea Combs, Karin Weaver, Stacy Horn-Koch, Harriet Wallace, Giovanni Achoe, Vai Sreenivasan, Megan Vickers.</p>	<p><b>Date: November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022</b>  <b>Time: 8:00 a.m.</b>  <b>Place: Jury Assembly Room</b></p> <p><b>Recorded by:</b> Allison Malone</p>
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AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION	RECCOMENDATION/ACTION
<p><b>I. WELCOME, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, MOMENT OF SILENCE, MINUTES AND CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Jaha Martin Opens-Gratitude and advised to focused on what brings us here and working together. Thank you for being here! Reminded council of the importance of attendance. Jaha Martin takes attendance.</li> <li>▶ Jaha Martin lists the names of those lost due to homelessness and we shared a moment of silence.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>II. REVIEW MINUTES</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Review of minutes. No noted corrections.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>III. Business</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ April Calvin thanks team for support and guidance. Announces new team members to MHID and Welcomes Kelsea Combs to CE and Allison Malone as Admin Assistant.</li> <li>▶ Metro has many new job opportunities and funding opportunities.</li> <li>▶ RFP for Housing First Support services will be out this month and the Competitive grants RFP will be released early spring.</li> <li>▶ Small group is working with Karen Weaver and the Harvard group on a capacity building grant for prevention, diversion, and housing retention.</li> <li>▶ Equity Diversity Committee is hosting a C-suite Training December 9<sup>th</sup> event.</li> <li>▶ Membership just hosted their first CoC membership orientation and the Homeless Coalition will be hosting their annual Thanksgiving celebration.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ The Encampment prioritization team is making decisions on what camp to begin a housing surge based on vulnerability of people, location, safety, and environmental concerns. Family sheltering crisis, Sally Lott, CE Manager, is working with United Way and Safe Haven for permanent housing solutions. Recently, families were sheltered by MSS at the current cold weather shelter.</li> <li>▶ Philrie Court update- The owner independently started moving people off his property. Present dangers at Philrie court includes sex trafficking, drug dealing, and around 40-50 people that lived there. He removed more than half of the people without conflict. 10-12 people remained on his property. Room in The Inn and Neighborhood Health agreed to assist with relocation, and storing of items. Two people were referred to Oasis in the 18-24 age.</li> <li>▶ Community Meeting will be held in South Nashville in December with Shangri-la to gain support for their program. And the 91 Bed Unit for Metro is underway. (2 recent housing options currently underway).</li> <li>▶ Property Manager Celebration will be hosted on December 8<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>	
<b>IV. UPDATES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Collaborative applicant review Suzie Tolmie -document provided -regular NOFO and supplemental SNOFO assessment of numbers to be served presented as requests.</li> <li>▶ Performance Evaluation committee meeting is next week.</li> <li>▶ Point and time count January 2023-an overnight count-reach out to Suzie Tolmie if interested.</li> <li>▶ Hannah Cornejo-Nell shares new data HMIS report-data and report is provided.</li> <li>▶ Renee Pratt -director position update 15 applicants will be offered an interview.</li> <li>▶ Ginger Hausser- Late file agreement for The Salvation Army, approving security and support staff for the hotel. Productive meeting with MNP, MHID, The Salvation Army, and council member. MNP will increase patrols, and all agreed on monthly check-ins for accountability between all departments. Improving the safety and security of the area.</li> </ul>	
<b>V. Questions &amp; Answers</b>		
<b>VI. New Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Cold weather update-April Calvin covers documents provided- 1st day of cold weather shelter was in October -document provided on emergency cold weather shelter. Wego offers free transportation to get everyone to the shelter and from.</li> </ul>	

	<p>▶ One Member- verbally disagrees with the 32 degrees for three consecutive hours and doesn't agree. Challenges all council members to volunteer. Renee Pratt-explains we do not have enough staff and it is a capacity issue. She assures that we are doing all we can do get these positions covered.</p> <p>-Moving forward with the RFP for cold weather shelter. There is a lot going on and MSS had 3 shelters running at one time Covid, Families, and Cold Weather. Shelter staffing has a huge impact on getting people housed and off the streets.</p> <p>▶ Waddell Wright suggests reaching out to Operation Stand Down for veterans that want to work.</p> <p>▶ Jaha Martin- Expresses to council to get involved and those volunteers are needed at the cold weather shelter and the Wego bus depot.</p> <p>▶ <b>Governance</b> Executive Committee is working on HUD's Recommendations. Developing Bi-laws, the charter is great, but we have struggled with code of conduct, accountability, Appeals Process. Also working on consolidating committees and building racial equity and diversity.</p> <p>April Calvin- Prioritization Committee and site assessments have been done and are meeting to go over findings today.</p> <p>Vicky Batcher-Asked how many people with lived experience are out doing site assessments?</p> <p>April Calvin answers that 2 out of 7 people have had lived experience and this team was decided on during the joint shelter Committee, Outreach workgroup, and an increased lived experience group.</p>	
<p><b>VII. OTHER BUSINESS</b></p>	<p>▶ <b>Story of progress</b>- Hannah Cornejo-Nell shares that 920 people have moved into perm. housing using ESG CV funds, doubling the initial goal of 400. On average it is taking up to 62 days to get into perm housing. Document provided.</p> <p>Waddell Wright- what is the gap and why do people leave the process of housing? Retention numbers are in the works and agrees knowing the numbers on the gap would be beneficial.</p> <p>Vicky Batcher-Wanting to look at the whole picture and why are we not documenting why there is a gap.</p> <p>Beth shin- How long does the permanent housing last and can we start documenting that as well?</p>	

XIII. ADJOURNMENT	<p>▶ Adjourned 9:21  NEXT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE RESCHEDULED DUE TO HOLIDAY  NEXT MEETING: 11/30/22  Family safety Center</p>	<p>NEXT MEETING: Dec. 14, 2022  Jury Room</p>

**\*We define racism as racial prejudice plus the misuse of power by systems and institutions (misuse can be intentional or unintentional). We are mindful of the racial inequities across housing, economic mobility, health care, criminal justice, and other systems. These all contribute to racial inequities in homelessness. I pledge to stay mindful of the power and privilege that I bring into every space that I enter and conversation that I have. I pledge to actively and intentionally practice antiracism when participating in the Homelessness Planning Council and all Committees in the CoC, representing this committee and the CoC in the community, and in talking about homelessness and housing issues in Nashville.**

**\*\*There are two channels available for submitting comments to the HPC:**

- Email address [NashvilleHomelessnessCouncil@gmail.com](mailto:NashvilleHomelessnessCouncil@gmail.com)
- Hub.nashville.gov website ([https://hub.nashville.gov/s/?language=en\\_US](https://hub.nashville.gov/s/?language=en_US)), there is a choice under Social Services & Housing called “Public Comment for the CoC Homelessness Planning Council.”