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Continuum of Care (CoC) for People Experiencing Homelessness in Nashville

You are invited to **actively participate** in our General Membership meeting on

WEDNESDAY, February 22, 2023

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. *

IN PERSON- Location TBA

1. Welcome – Ingrid McIntyre, Glencliff & Belmont United Methodist Churches
2. Values & equity statement

“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. We pledge to stay mindful of the power and privilege that we bring into every space that we enter and conversation that we have. We pledge to actively and intentionally practice antiracism when participating in CoC General Membership meetings, representing the CoC in the community, and in talking about homelessness and housing issues in Nashville.”

3. Designation of CoC Collaborative Applicant & HMIS Lead – Steve Berg, Chief Policy Officer, National Alliance to End Homelessness, presenter

This is a special called meeting of the membership, and designed to give the public details on the role of a CoC Collaborative Applicant, national best practices, allow for questions and comments, and discuss the pros and cons of this role shifting to MHID/the new Metro Office of Homeless Services.

*** NOTE: We may not need the entire 3 hours, but want to allow time for attendees to be heard, learn & ask questions, and offer feedback & suggestions.**

The mission of the CoC is to create a collaborative, inclusive, community-based process and approach to planning and managing effective homeless assistance resources and programs (by which Federal, State and local funding resources will be used to fund all homelessness assistance needs) to end homelessness in our community, consistent with 24 CFR Part 578, the HUD regulations that guide the CoC program.

As a system we are housing focused, person centered, data driven, and committed to the effective use of resources.

Become a member of the CoC! Click on <https://forms.office.com/r/NCUWRve2Ap>

Questions? Email Suzie Tolmie, Homeless Coordinator at stolmie@nashville-mdha.org

For more on the Nashville-Davidson County Continuum of Care (“CoC”), please visit:

<http://www.nashville-mdha.org/community-development/about-the-continuum-of-care/>