

**Nashville/Davidson County Continuum of Care
Veterans Workgroup**

February 13, 2024 | 2:30 to 4pm

Operation Stand Down Tennessee, New Multipurpose Room
1125 12th Ave S, Nashville, TN 37203

Agenda

- Equity Statement
- Introductions
- Review of minutes from January meeting
- Data review from OHS and MDHA
- Built for Zero Update
- Federal Criteria and Benchmarks to end Veteran Homelessness work
 - *Criteria #4: The community has capacity to assist Veterans to swiftly move into permanent housing.*
 - *The community has identified a permanent housing intervention for all Veterans known to be experiencing homelessness, including those Veterans who have chosen to enter transitional housing, and are able to assist Veterans to move into their permanent housing quickly and without barriers to entry, using Housing First principles and practices.*
 - What are we doing well?
 - What is in process?
 - What needs work?
 - Next steps
- Agency Updates
- Other Business
- Next meeting - Tuesday, March 12th, 2:30pm - 4pm, location TBD

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.