

Mid Florida Homeless Coalition, Inc., Governing Board & CoC Ending Homelessness Stakeholder Meeting

Meeting Minutes: October 25, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Location: Department of Health – Sumter County, 415 E Noble Ave, Bushnell, FL

Officers in Attendance:	—	Robert Morin, Commissioner, City of Eustis, Chair	—	Melissa Simmes, Advent Health Waterman, Vice Chair
Directors in Attendance:	—	Veda Ramirez – Hernando County Health & Human Services	—	Dr. Alan Holden – United Way of Lake & Sumter
	—	Stephen Teaster – Office of the Criminal Conflict & Civil Rights Counsel	—	Jessica Peters – Hernando County Advocate
	—	Steve Smith – Lake County	—	Barbara Venditto – Dawn Center
	—	Sheri Goodwin – LSF Network	—	Paula Anspach – (GTM)
	—	Cara Meeks - WellCare	—	Shay Razaire – Alan Madden Foundation
Staff:	—	Barbara Wheeler, Executive Director	—	Paula Holtsclaw, HMIS Administrator
	—	Tomi Steinruck, Operations Manager	—	Kristy Lindke, Lead CAS Navigator
	—	Cassie Fountain, Coreen Garrity & James MacDonald, PATH Outreach	—	Amber Tucker, Housing Locator
Proxy:				
Presiding:		Robert Morin		

Agenda Items		Discussion & Actions Taken	Follow-up
I.	Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions	Robert Morin called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m. He welcomed everyone and self-introductions were made.	
II.	Approval of Minutes	September 27, 2019 Governing Board & CoC Ending Homelessness Minutes were reviewed. Motion: A motion was made to approve the September 27, 2019 minutes as presented. Motion By: Stephen Teaster Seconded By: Steve Smith Approved: Unanimously	
III.	Standing Committee Reports	Coordinated Access System Committee (CAS) Melissa Simmes reported on the October CAS meeting. She requested that those receiving emails relating to Coordinated Access to please reply as we really do want input from CoC membership. She reported that were 98 responses to the Priority survey, and the results were discussed at length. A presentation and discussion will follow later in today's meeting. The CAS Review process is still being worked on, and should be ready for presentation soon. The next meeting of CAS will be November 4 in lieu of November 11th – Veteran's Day. Veteran's Committee	

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IV.	Coordinated Access – Priorities Discussion	<p>Tomi Steinruck facilitated a discussion on priorities before asking for a vote. The CoC’s priorities are set based on HUD priorities: First - Veterans, Second - Chronic Homeless, Third - Families with Children & Youth, and Fourth - all homeless. This discussion focused on the additional priorities needed for the Case Calls to break ties in assessment scores.</p> <p>A roll-call vote was made for 1st Priority, 2nd Priority, and 3rd Priority. Tomi Steinruck recorded and tallied the votes.</p> <p>1st Priority Tie-Breaker – Domestic Violence, Tri-Morbidity, Elderly (tied with 5 votes each) 2nd Priority Tie-Breaker – Length on By Name List (4 votes) 3rd Priority Tie-Breaker – Elderly, Domestic Violence (tied with 5 votes each)</p> <p>Using just the barriers in the three-way tie for the first priority, a second roll-call vote determined the final order for the Tiebreaker Priority.</p> <p>1st Priority – Tri-Morbidity 2nd Priority – Domestic Violence 3rd Priority – Elderly</p>	<p><i>Sheri Goodwin wants to be on the Case Call group</i></p>
VI.	MFHC Lead Agency Update	<p>Point in Time Homeless Census– 1/28/2020 – The date was established at the September meeting. We are in the process of putting the Plan together, and all are encouraged to come to the County provider meetings to provide information and volunteer. A demonstration of the Point In Time Census phone app will be presented at the November CoC meeting.</p> <p>Citrus County Update – Daystar Life Center has made us aware that they in conjunction with Catholic Charities DOSP are in the process of developing some permanent supportive housing units. The units will be located at the Daystar Life Center property in Crystal River.</p>	<p><i>MFHC to email the Stand Down flyer out to Lake County.</i></p>

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		<p>provided mandatory training for all sub-grantees so that all involved are doing everything DCF requires.</p>	
<p>VII.</p>	<p>Membership Input</p>	<p>Robert Morin shared the City of Eustis is celebrating and recognizing Veterans with a weekend full of events. The City Commission is ready to focus on homelessness, and Robert Morin indicated that Barbara will be asked to present to the Commission.</p> <p>Steve Smith said there is more interest and openness in homelessness and affordable housing in Lake County. Lake County Sheriff's Department had 938 evictions last year. They are struggling with what to do with those who are evicted.</p> <p>Stephen Teaster reminded everyone that the PIT Count is taking place on January 28, and everyone should pay attention to where the homeless are and relay that information at the providers meetings.</p> <p>Florida Coalition for the Homeless honored Barbara Wheeler with an award at the recent conference for the years of services she provided to that Board.</p> <p>Mid Florida Homeless Coalition will be hosting a conference in the first part of next year to share the new things we have learned, as well as to provide various types of trainings.</p> <p>The Governing Board and Mid Florida Homeless Coalition Board will be attending a session with Iain De Jong on Dec 13, 2019 9:00 a.m. thanks to St Vincent de Paul South Pinellas.</p> <p>Barbara provided an update on the application to the Citrus County Hospital Board for funding. We were awarded funds, however our application was not fully funded. We have not yet received word on what our funding will be.</p> <p>There will be a dress rehearsal on November 2, for the Nov. 16 Stand Down. Lake County has proclaimed Nov. 16 as Lake County Stand Down Day, and the organizers are hoping to make this an annual event. They are looking for additional support from all organizations in Lake County. Call Dr. Patrick Ward at 352-636-5450 if you would like to be involved.</p>	<p><i>Denise asked for a list of the PIT locations for Sumter & Lake Counties</i></p> <p><i>Sheri indicated that Alachua County Sheriff sent up a chopper at night in the wooded area with heat sensors</i></p> <p><i>Barbara will send an invite to the Boards.</i></p>

