

Mid Florida Homeless Coalition, Inc., FL-520 Citrus, Hernando, Lake, Sumter Counties CoC Ending Homelessness Stakeholder Meeting

Meeting Minutes: September 24, 2021

Location: Virtual Meeting via GoToMeeting or Call-in Feature

Presiding: Barbara Wheeler

	Agenda Items	Discussion & Actions Taken	Follow-up
1.	Call to Order	B.E. Thompson called the meeting to order at approximately 9:01 a.m.	
2.	Roll Call	Paula Holtsclaw conducted the roll call of members, and guests were invited to announce their attendance.	
4.	Approval of Minutes	The minutes from August 27, 2021 will be presented at the October meeting for approval.	
5.	Standing Committee Reports	<p>Coordinated Access (CAS) & Mid Florida Information Network (MFIN) Melissa Simmes reported on the recent meeting. There are two motions that will be presented to the Governing Board.</p> <p>Motion: To raise the maximum spending per household from \$10,000 to \$20,000 for ESG-CV funding.</p> <p>Motion: To extend the time limit from 90 days plus a 1-month extension for non-congregate shelter to 90 days plus three 1-month extensions with approval.</p> <p>The upcoming October 11th meeting will be lengthy as there is quite a long agenda. ESG and Challenge spending limits will be discussed, as will MFIN Policy updates and a new policy relating to data entry for Coordinated Access.</p> <p>Performance Committee Barbara Wheeler reviewed the spend down for each grant. MFHC’s ESG & ESG-CV Outreach will likely have some difficulty in spending as the ESG & ESG-CV Outreach team has resigned to go to work for one of our subgrantees.</p>	
5.	MFHC Lead Agency Update	<p>Barbara Wheeler reported that we are attending a monthly one-on-one Contract Managers’ meeting, as well as a quarterly meeting with our Contract Manager’s CoC’s. During the recent meeting, we were advised the deliverables requirement for ESG-CV has been revised to be one overall number, rather than a specific number for each component. Our Contract Manager complimented MFHC’s Performance Committee and the data that is shared and asked us to present a sampling at the recent quarterly meeting and how we put the data together.</p> <p>FL520 Funding HUD CoC – The timeline for applications was provided, as well as the funding available for renewals, reallocation and bonus. HUD CoC Priorities were proposed and will be presented to the Governing Board for approval during a special meeting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Renewal Coordinated Entry System and Homeless Management Information System Projects 2. New or Renewal of Permanent Supportive Housing Projects based on HUD priorities 3. Renewal of Permanent Housing Projects 	

		<p>4. Renewal Reallocation Permanent Housing Projects 5. New Permanent Housing Projects 6. New DV Projects 7. New Joint TH-PH Housing Projects</p> <p>The DV project is ranked toward the bottom because in the past there hasn't been any interest from our DV organizations in applying.</p> <p>Tomi Steinruck reported on the County Updates: Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) – Lake County - after a few bumps the project is moving forward. There is a weekly report on the referral process to ensure things move forward smoothly. The desire is to have as many people as possible dually enrolled with a rapid rehousing project.</p> <p>CARES Act – MFHC is working to keep on top of all funding streams and trying to refer people to the best resource for their situation.</p> <p>MFHC – the ESG/ESG-CV Outreach team has resigned for employment with another agency. The PATH Outreach team will not be able to go out and verify homelessness and do assessments for the overall homeless population, as they are very specific in who they can provide services to. The CoC will need to rely on the Assessment Hubs to complete the assessments, and the rapid rehousing sub-recipients will have to do due diligence to verify homelessness.</p> <p>COVID Testing & Vaccinations – MFHC continues to work with all county Health Departments. Hernando County's free testing site has been a big help. Citrus County has been increasing sites.</p> <p>A donation of rain gear for Citrus & Hernando Counties was received and the outreach team is working on getting out to those in need.</p> <p>Barbara reported we are hoping to hold the next Lake Provider's Meeting in person to talk about all the funding, to make sure we aren't overlapping services, and to ensure people are getting to the best resource.</p> <p>The CoC definitely wants to meet the needs of the community and we appreciate those agencies who speak up to let us know what is needed.</p>	
6.	Membership Input	Paula Holtsclaw reported that MFHC staff member Mariselle Cruz passed away due to COVID-19 in early September. This has affected staff heavily, both personally & professionally.	

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Attendance	Members - Organization, Name		Members Continued
	Adventist Health System, Melissa Simmes	X	United Way of Lake & Sumter Counties
	Alan Madden Foundation, Shay-Anne Razaire	X	VA, Orlando - Judith Ramos-Rivera, Jina Thalmann
X	Catholic Charities DOSP, Danielle Husband	X	Sunshine Health, Cara Meeks, Paula Warner
	Century 21 Alliance Realty – Jared Tanner		
	Christ Centered Fellowship		Staff
	Citrus Abuse Shelter Association		Barbara Wheeler, Paula Holtsclaw, Tomi Steinruck-MFHC
	Citrus County Housing Division		
	City of Tavares		Guests
	Community Food Bank of Citrus County		Announced:
X	Dawn Center		
	Find Feed & Restore, Inc.		
	Lyn Forleo		
	Patrick Foreman		
	Forward Paths		Britt Swain
	Mr. Francis Gladeck		Corinne Montgomery
	Hope With A Purpose, Pandora Jackson		RD Martin
	Lake Cares		Lea Knezevich
	Lake Community Action Agency		
	Lake County Government		
	Lake County Schools		
X	LifeStream Behavioral Center		
x	LSF, Sheri Goodwin		
	Morris Realty & Investments, Inc. - Kim Ducharme Levensohn		
	New Beginnings - Steve Smith		
	Michelle Noriega		
	Real Life Christian Church - Timothy L. McCormack		
X	Salvation Army, The - Lake & Sumter Counties		
	Salvation Army, The Hernando County		
X	Society of St. Vincent de Paul S Pinellas		
	State of Florida -Office of the Criminal Conflict – Stephen Teaster		
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x	United Way of Citrus County, Stacy Leach	x	UWL&S
	United Way of Hernando County, Samantha Beckham		