

# MEETING MINUTES

February 16, 2016 (10:30 a.m.)  
Community Foundation of Greater Memphis

\*CoC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING\*

## MEMPHIS & SHELBY COUNTY HOMELESS CONSORTIUM



### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:45 a.m. by Cheré Bradshaw. For the new members, Cheré announced that HUD requires us to plan how we are going to end homelessness as a community. As a result, the CoC Planning Committee meets bimonthly. The full consortium meets quarterly (every three months). Today's meeting is a planning meeting.

Because there were new members present, Cheré began today's meeting with introductions.

### Review and Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January planning meeting were reviewed. Cheré explained specific acronyms (AHAR and HIC) to new members for clarity. With a motion from Katherine Lewis and a second from Lawrence Wilson, the minutes were approved.

### Thanks for Point-in-Time Participation

Cheré expressed her sincere gratitude to everyone for their participation in our annual Point-in-Time Count last month. She gave a special acknowledgment to Caprice Snyder for her assistance, then opened the floor for feedback. Among the information shared, the reflective vests were a welcome enhancement to the process.

### Definition of Chronic Homelessness

Cheré pointed out that HUD has issued a new definition of Chronic Homelessness. The new definition will be put into HMIS as soon as possible. For families with an adult as head of household, the head will have to have a disability in order to qualify.

There was some discussion around due diligence with individuals who are chronically homeless. Currently, uniform templates for certification are being developed to include an interview process that covers three years. There was also discussion around "breaks". We will form a mainstream interview process. Letters will be sent out. Also, there will be some efforts which focus on dedicating vs. prioritized housing which apply to or otherwise determine program funding.

Once the 2016 PIT data is released, we will be able to see how we are doing with ending the numbers for chronic homelessness. The next GAP Analysis will take place in March. The PIT numbers will be matched with the housing inventory count (HIC) to determine the GAP.

**Homeless Stakeholders Meeting Recommendations**

The Homeless Stakeholders Meeting was held last month. All recommendations can be seen by those who registered. If you haven't seen them, they are on the website for all to see. Committee members were encouraged to comment and ask questions.

**Announcements**

There will be another Coordinated Entry meeting with Meredith soon. She extended her efforts in hopes of getting hospitals, Emergency Rooms, police, and others to start a pilot project with a small group.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. with no further discussion.

Minutes Approved By:

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