

Memphis / Shelby County Homeless Consortium

CoC PLANNING MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 18, 2021 10:00 am, Online (Zoom)

Facilitator: Mia Cotton (FFL)

Minutes: Dustin Kane (CAFTH)

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am by Mia Cotton.

Review and Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the last CoC Planning meeting in November were reviewed. With a motion from Darren Bell and second form Jonquil Johnson the minutes were approved as presented.

Presentations & Discussion

a. Committee Structure Survey

Community Alliance for the Homeless (CAFTH) is in the process of exploring potentially altering the structure of our Homeless Consortium committees to more effectively benefit you and those we serve in Memphis/Shelby County. This survey will be anonymous, and will collect feedback from local service providers, case managers, and community partners to help us better understand how we can improve the performance and productivity of our meetings/committees. Please <u>click here</u> to access the survey and respond to questions with your input. For any additional questions or comments please email dustin@cafth.org.

b. 2022 Point-In-Time Count Overview

Dustin Kane provided an overview of the 2022 Unsheltered PIT Count Methodology, and opened the floor to questions. HUD has allowed our CoC to move the HIC/PIT count to the end of February and beginning of March, in the interest of safety due to the large increase in COVID-19 transmission. There will be a Community Training Webinar occurring the week of February 14 (more information will be released shortly). Please <u>click here</u> to view the 2022 Unsheltered PIT Count Methodology approved by the Governing Council in January.

c. Partner Spotlights and Trainings

Mia Cotton explained that she would like to use the feedback gathered from the committee's visioning and planning sessions to help develop upcoming agendas and training topics. The committee is looking to focus committee meeting trainings for service sites/outreach teams, case management, and other housing service provider coordinators, directors, and leadership. Examples include housing problem solving training "diversion-rapid exit, trauma informed care, motivational interviewing, harm reduction, housing first, racial equity, domestic violence," and community resource guide training "health care, child care, education, job training, employment, shelters, programs, as well as others." The committee would also like to feature a Partner "Provider" Spotlight each meeting to share



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information about all of our partner organizations and learn more about how our community is making progress toward ending homelessness in Memphis and Shelby County.

d. Open Floor and Announcements

Dana Brooks shared that a number of her team members at CCWTN have contracted COVID-19, but the Midtown Outreach Center continues to operate as normal to serve food, distribute PPE, and provide case management (Non-veterans may call CCWTN at 901-722-4762, and Veterans may call 901-722-4760). Porsha Goodman with Door of Hope and Regina Fisher with MIFA also explained that their organizations have been adapting to the high transmission of COVID-19, but remain operational.

Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 am.