

**FACILITATOR:** Kim Mitchell(HCD)

**MINUTES:** Errin Woods (CAFTH)

### ***Call to Order & Approval of Minutes***

The meeting was called to order by Errin Woods at 10:05 am. The December quarterly meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as presented with a motion from Mary Hamlett and a second from Marian Bacon.

### ***Partner Spotlight Presentation***

Sam Tubikh from Memphis Area Prevention Coalition, she informed us of the mission of the organization as well as the programs they offer to individuals and families that suffer with drug addiction. She informed us of the syringe exchange program, they provide HepC and HIV testing, Harm Reduction training, and Narcan Training. She stated they are always looking for new partners in the community to work with.

### ***CoC Committee Reports***

**CoC Planning Committee:** Errin Woods reported the review and approval of minutes from the previous meeting. Some of the topics discussed were obstacles around housing shortage for those experiencing homelessness as well as the lack of supportive housing and services for families. The committee also discussed multi agency meetings. These would be combined meetings to tackle issues within the community together. The committee voiced concerns of lack of collaboration and housing agencies functioning as silos. We identified and re-engage 5 to 8 agencies that have fallen out of the CoC to help boost attendance and membership within the consortium. Identified and we are planning 2 annual collaborative meetings with another CoC committee or work group.

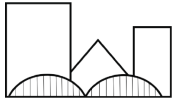
**Youth Committee:** Stephanie Reyes reported the committee has been focused on navigating the process and implementation period of YHDP. In an upcoming meeting, they will be going over YHDP projects and talking about new resources that will be added to the new youth housing system. The Youth Committee/YAB would be interested in collaborating and providing information on YHDP to the Housing Committee. The parameters for housing youth are different from those for adults.

**Youth Action Board:** Jack Anderson reported that the board has been connecting with other youth action committees and beginning to collaborate on how they can work on projects together. They were still looking for a Youth Action Board chair and the search was ongoing until they found a candidate.

**Affordable Housing Committee:** Vernua Hanrahan reported that at the last meeting, they have been focusing on identifying quality housing that follows HUD guidelines. Measuring Housing Quality Standards and talking with landlords on how to eliminate barriers associated with Fees. Continuing to work on ABLH and finding funding for the program.

**HMIS Committee:** Shalonda Adams-Young reported that the committee working on PIT count numbers. Pushing to get new people to sign up for HMIS that will help the community. Informing the community on data quality and its importance. MOAs coming in July and working on ways to have online payment options for HMIS fees.

**Veterans Committee:** Jeff reported that they have achieved their housing goals for the year and they are still increasing. He informed us they are moving soon to Phelan across from Georgia Elem. They continue to work on how they will affect the community. He wants the consortium to know more about what they do in the community and



services they offer.

**Outreach Committee:** Kirsten Hipkins reported they are working diligently on strategies for CES process and VI-SDAT. Continuing to work through youth CES. Discussions on diversion, PSH, and Housing First.

#### ***CAFTH Updates***

***Julie Meiman (CoC Planning Team)***- reported that the team is working on the 901 Home Strategic Plan and System Performance measures, as well as updating the Bylaws for the consortium. In the beginning planning process for the Monitoring with CoC funded organizations. She reported that the team is working on a new Families Committee and Healthcare Committee.

***Kiarra Fortney(HMIS)***- reported that the team is working submitting information for PIT count for sheltered and unsheltered, the deadline is April 30th. Emmitt is working on help desk requests, Ryan is focused on the comparable database which is up and running for agencies that are victim service providers. The team has successfully submitted the System Performance Services and Quarterly APR reports.

***Andrea Wilkins(Affordable Housing)***- reported the team is continuing to work on the ABLH incentive program for landlords in Memphis and Shelby county. Continuing to add to the monthly housing list as well as accessibility to available units from new and old landlord partnerships. The team is working on a Tenant empowerment work group which is working on tenant rights.

***Kirsten Hipkins(Coordinated Entry)***- reported that the team is working to fill vacant job positions. They are meeting with shelters and other agencies that need to share information about their shelters and availability in CES.

***Stephanie Reyes(Youth and Special Populations)***- reported that the YHDP program is going well since its launch. They are still working on any issues that may arise.

#### ***Adjournment***

**COC Planning Meeting:** April 18th, 2023 @ 10am

**Quarterly Consortium Meeting:** June 20th, 2023 @ 10 am (in person)