



Lenawee County Continuum of Care **Virtually via Zoom** **March 8, 2022**

MINUTES

1. Introductions / Roll Call

In attendance: Madeline DeMarco, Connie Carroll, Chris Howard, Clint Brugger, Ted Crockett, Lynne Punnett, Renee Kimball-Rouse, Nancy Bishop, Jackie Bradley, Shannon DeSloover, Alison Prielipp, Emily Pickney, Brian Elliott, Ashley Frampton, Amy Sweinhagen, Becky Selenko, Kelly Castleberry, Angie Shepherd, Samantha Tubbs, Leslie Love, Robyn Loveland, Jill Hicks, VeronCia Daffin, Audricka Jacob, Christal Albig

2. APPROVE: Agenda & Previous Minutes

- a. **Motion to approve previous meeting minutes as presented made by Jill Hicks. Supported by Ted Crockett. The motion carried.**

3. REMINDER: Telegram Articles

April	CAA	LEAD
May	Housing Help of Lenawee	Point in Time Count
June	-	Kelly Castleberry – Share the Warmth
July	???	???
August	???	???
September	???	???
October	Domestic Violence Awareness Month	Jill Hicks – Catherine Cobb
November	???	???
December	???	???

- a. If you notice that an article hasn't been printed, please let Madeline know.
- b. **If you would like to publish an article, please let Madeline know!** Articles should be submitted by the last week of the month. They should be about 1-page (single-spaced) long, typed. As a reminder, all articles must have an overall focus on our Legacy of Compassion – Campaign to End Homelessness – 10 Year Plan – Lenawee County. Articles are not for individual agency fundraising.
- c. **The Public Awareness Committee will share updated article guidelines by mid-May.**
- d. **Ted Crockett will share an example article for our reference.**

4. REVIEW: Lenawee County Homeless Numbers (those added to the Housing Preference list are automatically added to the EHV waitlist)

- a. # added to Housing Preference and EHV waitlist in February, 2022: 28
- b. # of homeless on Homeless Preference List in February, 2022: n/a
- c. # of homeless on EHV Waitlist in February, 2022: n/a
- d. # pulled by Housing Agent from Housing Preference list in February, 2022: 0

- e. # pulled by Housing Agent from EHV list in February, 2022: 4
- f. Community Waitlists:
 - i. Legacy Housing Apartments: These apartments are for chronically homeless individuals with a disability (documentation is required for both). This is the only permanent supportive housing program in Lenawee County. Chronically homeless individuals can apply at Housing Help of Lenawee – call (517) 264-0782 and ask to speak with Shannon, Catherine, or Will.
 - ii. Carriage House’s voucher waitlist is open for some 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom units. Interested folks can apply directly at the complex.
- g. MSHDA Homeless Veteran Report
 - i. Total number of homeless veterans identified in February, 2022: n/a
 - ii. # of new homeless veterans identified in February, 2022: n/a
 - iii. # of homeless veterans housed in February, 2022: n/a
 - iv. # of homeless veterans that refused housing in February, 2022: n/a
 - v. # of homeless veterans currently seeking housing: n/a
 - vi. # of homeless veterans that left services without housing: n/a

5. Grants

- a. CERA 2
 - i. CERA 2 funds have been spent except for some of the admin funds. Otherwise, we’re back to using CERA 1 funds.

6. CoC Equity Results Team (CERT) Introduction & Recruitment

- a. There is a webinar on March 17th @ 3:00pm to launch the CERT program. **We encourage everyone to attend this webinar to learn about the program and what our roles are in it. Clint will share more information about the webinar with the group as it is released.**
- b. Each CoC is being asked to nominate a diverse group of folks (diverse in identity and community role) with lived experience or frontline experience with housing and homelessness to participate in the CERT program. This means we need to recruit 3-6 people willing to spend 8-10 hours per month participating in this project. CERT is a nation and state-side program organized by HUD that we need to participate in in order to continue our eligibility for HUD funding.
 - i. Specifically, the organizers are looking for at least 2 Co-Leads and 1 Data Lead from our community.
 - ii. Participants will either be volunteers or recommended to participate, depending on the volume of interested community members we have.
 - iii. Participants will be compensated for their time – this is a paid role! There are also a lot of great training opportunities and skill-building experiences for participants.
 - iv. **If you are interested in volunteering, please email Madeline (mdemarco@LCMHA.org) and she will share your interest with the Executive Committee.**

7. CoC Executive Committee Nominations

- a. Elizabeth Salerno has moved on from her role at Housing Help. As a result, Clint (our Vice Chair) will be facilitating the March and April meetings until a new Chair is elected in April. We will be nominating Exec Committee members today and voting on these nominations in April:
 - i. Clint nominates Lynne Punnett as Committee Chair
 - ii. Jill nominates Clint Brugger to continue as Co-Chair
 - iii. Clint nominates Laura Schultz-Pipis to continue as Treasurer.
 - iv. Jill nominates Madeline DeMarco to continue as Secretary.
 - v. Clint nominates as Nancy Bishop, Jill Hicks, Kelly Castleberry, and Chris Howard as Members-At-Large.

b. Madeline will be sending out the MOUs for 2022 with the meeting minutes. Please fill them out and return them to Madeline!

8. Collective Impact Core Update: Nominate representative
 - a. We are also seeking a CoC representative to participate in the Collective Impact Core. This person will attend the Core meetings on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 10:00am – 11:30am, and then serve as the liaison between the Core and the CoC.
 - i. Both Kelly Castleberry and Laura Schultz-Pipis expressed interest in participating. We will decide on this representative in April.
9. Sub-Committee Reports
 - a. Public Awareness
 - i. The group will not be meeting in March. Their next meeting will be April 27th. The group meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 2:00pm. If you're interested in participating, please email Nancy Bishop. The group hopes to hold Project Connect in-person next year.
 - b. Homeless Youth
 - i. The group is creating a resource toolkit for youth. They are also working on things related to college applications and college visits for students. Please email Chris Howard if you're interested in participating in this group.
 - c. Affordable Housing/Short-Term Emergency Shelter.
 - i. The group had their first meeting in a long while last month. Most of this meeting was spent thinking about what direction the group wants to go in. Their next meeting is March 15th at 3:00pm. If you're interested in participating, please email Kelly Castleberry.
 - d. Advocacy
 - i. The group has put together an Advocacy Toolkit and will share this with the full coalition in April.
10. Additions / Comments / Questions
 - a. Housing Help
 - i. Looking for a new Executive Director! The posting is out and about, so please pass it around.
 - ii. The Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness has announced advocacy day as March 30th for this year. The event will be virtual this year and is free to attend.
 - iii. CoC registration was released last Friday. CoC and Housing Help are officially registered!
 - b. Catherine Cobb
 - i. The building entrance for administration has changed. Please enter on the side facing Chomp Burger moving forward.
 - c. Community Action Agency
 - i. VITA is still going on for eligible folks who would like their taxes done for free!

11. NEXT MEETING: April 12, 2022. This will be a FULL meeting.