



# Capital Area Coalition on Homelessness

...to educate and mobilize our community and coordinate services to prevent and reduce homelessness in the Capital Region.

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## Coordinating Committee Meeting

February 4, 2019

### Minutes

#### Coordinating Committee Attendees:

Jennifer Wintermyer  
Catherine Wyatt  
Marilyn Bellesfield  
Darrel Reinford

Maria Chianos  
Crystal Brown  
Denise Britton

In addition, Robert Mott from Valley Youth House attended.

Jennifer Wintermyer convened the meeting at 2:05 pm.

Motion to approve the December 2018 and January 2019 Coordinating committee meeting minutes without changes made by Denise Britton. Seconded by Maria Chianos. Motion passed.

#### Committee Reports:

Service Delivery/Data Collection – Dennise Hill will review the objective to be concentrated by this committee at the next meeting.

Data Quality Subcommittee – Deb Ritchey reported that this subcommittee hopes the Coordinating committee will review and sign off on the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) previously provided. In all the handouts provided, the MOU was missed and will be discussed at the March Coordinating committee meeting.

Public Information and Education – Chrystal Brown told us that the committee is moving ahead working with Lineup Designs, Inc. Some of the committee members quit the committee and Chrystal welcomed any interested people to join their efforts. The committee waits to hear from the Coordinated Entry committee about its product and will help promote it when ready. See the attached report.

Housing – The Coordinating committee wants to know the status of the Landlord Mitigation fund, the criteria for being eligible to access and other protocols. See the attached committee report which covers the committee’s continued work on this project. Marilyn Bellesfield didn’t understand why Brethren Housing Association’s application was rejected for this assistance. The committee asked about the status of the Harrisburg Housing Authority’s MulDer Project. Cadie Wyatt said she’d find out and report back.

Community Conversations – Denise Britton reported that the committee continues to review its priorities and focus on its programing: Helping the Helpers, Mental Health Wellness, etc. Please see the attached reports which included 2019 meeting dates. Planning continues on a 2019 Faith Summit with different churches involved.

Homeless Prevention – Maria Chianos told us that the committee will meet before the February 21<sup>st</sup> General membership meeting at Christ Lutheran Church. Jamie Snyder from UPMC Social Work Program is invited to this meeting. Randie Yeager is invited to a future meeting.

Planning and Resource Development – Marilyn Bellesfield said that this committee is reviewing the CACH bylaws to ensure they reflect our structure and are in compliance with HUD requirements.

**2019 Point In Time** – Deborah Ritchey told us that CACH will report the results to HUD by a due date in April. Darrel Reinford and George Payne trained volunteers from the Compassion Network and those volunteers went out. Rob Mott described the efforts of Valley Youth House which included outreach in Northern Dauphin County and several outreach events in the Harrisburg area, including at Strawberry Square. Someone asked about efforts to count homeless people in other rural areas of the county. The response is that we have no efforts in southern Dauphin County. We talked about how to do this. Community Action Commission has an office in Royalton and there is a ministry in Middletown if which both may be avenues to outreach.

**New business** – Jennifer Wintermyer informed us that the attendance policy and compliance at these meetings will be discussed at the March Coordinating committee meeting.

She told us that the Community Action Commission will head up recruitment for job openings with the U.S. Census efforts next year. 430,000 people will be hired as Pennsylvania has a low rate of census completions. She described the census process and reminded us how important census-taking is to representation and programing.

**Adjourned 2:45 pm. Next Meeting: Monday, March 4, 2019 at the YWCA. Respectfully Submitted, Deborah Ritchey Project Manager**

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