



# McHenry County Continuum of Care to End Homelessness MEETING MINUTES

**MEETING DESCRIPTION:** CoC Board Meeting ~ Virtual Meeting

**DATE/TIME/LOCATION:** February 17, 2022, 9:01 am; via Teleconference/Zoom

**ATTENDANCE:**

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Agency	Voting Member	Present?	Alternate Voting Member	Present?
4-C:Community Coordinated Child Care	Nicole Davis	X		
Advocate Good Shepherd	Suzanne Martinez	X		
AID	Alejandra Gutierrez		Gabrielle Kitchell	X
Catholic Charities	Amber Emmert	X	Catherine Weightman-Moore	
CCCS	Donna Jackowiak	X	Donna Rasmussen	
FHPC	Suzanne Hoban	X	Jaret Ross	X
HOS	Debbie DeGraw	X	Liz Heneks	X
Hope Takes Action	Bill Meath	X	n/a	
Housing Authority	Sue Rose	X	Kim Ulbrich	
Independence Health	Shannon Guzick	X	Marie Barnhart	
Lake McHenry ROE	James "Jim" Menzer	X	Matt Tabor	
Lovell FHCC	Lillie Prince	X	Kya Hays	
Makrograde	Andrew Stuckey			
MC Comm Devt Div	Brandon Kyker	X	Hans Mach	X
MC Housing Authority	Sue Rose	X	Kim Ulbrich	
McHenry Savings Bank	Kathrine Violett	X		
McHenry Township	Deborah Macrito		Gary Barla	
Mental Health Board	Terry Braune		Karen Frisk	X
New Directions	Bobby Gattone	X	Chris Larsen	
New Life Transitions	Charles Sprague	X	David Johnson	
Options and Advocacy	Noelle Dodge		Elyse Sereyka	
Pioneer Center	Carrie Freund	X	Gina Zinck	X
Prairie State Legal	Arlo Harmon	X	Ryan Sugas	
Refuge for Women	Meredith Hodge	X	Joan Ruzevich	
Restoration America	Anna Hill		Chris Samuels	X
Ridgefield-CL Pres Church	Michael Rugh	X	Sarah Kelewae	
Salvation Army, MC	Mercent Smith	X	Nancy Rivera	
Senior Care Vol Ntwork	Sarah Schrempf		Erica Snooks	
Supportive Housing Providers Association (SHPA)	David Esposito		Merredith Montgomery	
Thresholds	Kim McCoy	X	Aaron Neal	X
Turning Point	Mike Neumann	X	Nancy Erickson	
VAC MC	Jane Dorfner	X	Mike Iwanicki	
Veterans Path to Hope	Laura Franz	X	Angela Wood-Zuzevich	
Warp Corps	Andrew Turner	X	Clay Mutert	X
Willow CL	Julie Davis		Tim Seyler	
Woodstock Food Pantry	Virginia Peschke	X	Jan Parker	
Workforce Netwrk	Jake Rohn	X	Elizabeth Del Rio	
Community Member:	Rich Ring	X		
Community Member:	Nancy Portincaso	X		

Non-Voting Members Present: Laura Gelb, MCCD; Aileen Zei, MCCD; Bianca Gonzalez, MCCD; Cecilia Long, PSLs; Kimberlee Roush, PC; Kristin Miller, HOS; Kya Hays, Lovell FHCC; Medan Bennett, MCHA; Phoebe Wang, Thresholds; Sandi Moore, Refuge for Women; Stephanie Schlappi, Catholic Charities; Susan Keller, PC; Thomas Riley, PC

Non-Members Present: Charlie Sullivan, Live4Lali; Dave Christensen, MC ERC; Stefanie Gattone, Live4Lali

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**NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/LOCATION:** March 24, 2022 9:00 am via teleconference/Zoom

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER ~ 9:01 am**

2.0 **ROLL CALL AND GUEST INTRODUCTIONS**



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## **3.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No public comments

## **4.0 PRESENTATION**

4.1 Community Development Presentation

## **5.0 CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

### *5.1 Approval of 1/20/2022 CoC Full Board meeting minutes*

S Martinez moved to approve the consent agenda items, seconded by Emmert, no discussion, all in favor and motion carried.

## **6.0 CONSENT AGENDA-FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

Not applicable

## **7.0 OLD BUSINESS**

### **7.1 HMIS/Coordinated Entry/Built for Zero Updates**

G Zinck reported the veteran numbers are down and there are enough openings available. Still communicating with BFZ team to reach functional zero. Data review is happening monthly. Cold weather program was busy in February thanks to assistance of various programs/agencies. PSH is still not open but there is movement towards re-opening based on staff replacements and unit availability. HMIS is a barrier to reaching functional zero for veterans and we're still addressing the issues. B Gonzalez commented that because our numbers are so low in the county, every person impacts the percentage which is challenging.

B Meath asked about funding availability for the cold weather program to be ongoing; G Zinck commented that the hotel program is used year-round for housing crises.

### **7.2 PIT Count**

S Tenuto reported that tonight is the PIT, and there is additional press coverage this year. S Tenuto said 11:30 pm kick-off meeting and then the teams will go out at various times and are very focused on safety. They have enough volunteers this year.

### **7.3 People in Need**

B reported there was a good turnout and engagement from what he could see. A Harmon reported he was a presenter and participant and enjoyed it. Every booth was active. L Heneks said there were a lot of visitors to the agency booth, and you could go between presentations and booths easily.

### **7.4 Community and Annual Program Update**

B Kyker asked for CoC presentations. He asked all to look at the committee list and sign up. K Violett encouraged everyone to look at Membership and Compliance and Ethics committees. Finance committee clarification ~ Finance Committee, not Finance and Audit.



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## 8.0 NEW BUSINESS

### 8.1 Moving to New CoC Website

CoC website has been hosted by the County, but now there is a new CoC website developed by the Communication and Awareness committee. B Kyker stated the website has been developed and is being completed currently. The minutes and agendas will be housed on the new website, which will be separate from the County website. The drop date has not been established yet.

### 8.2 Open Meetings Act/Bylaws Discussion

K Violet commented that we are moving away from this requirement and will change our bylaws to reflect this given that it is too restrictive for our purposes. We will continue to focus on being transparent.

### 8.3 Emergency Solutions Grant Update

B Meath reported that all applications have been distributed to the Ranking Workgroup for scoring. County is scoring HMIS/Financial data; final meeting Friday March 11 will be the final Ranking Workgroup meeting followed by the Finance Committee meeting to establish recommendations for the Board, to happen the 18<sup>th</sup>. B Meath thanks those participating in this process. B Meath stated that more information will be requested for clarification on Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup>, to be returned by March 3 for meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Decisions must be made by April 15, and final applications completed to state by April 30 generally. **K Violet recommended that March 17<sup>th</sup> be Steering and Board March 24<sup>th</sup>.** B Meath made a motion to change the March meeting dates as described, Steering March 17 and Board March 24, seconded by L Franz, all in favor and motion carried.

## 9.0 OPEN FORUM – Agency Conversations, Success Stories

A Emmert from Catholic Charities stated they had a large coat donation and to contact her as needed.

K Violet stated McHenry Savings Bank has tube lighting to donate, the bulbs only.

## 10.0 Member Announcements

## 11.0 MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion made by S Rose and seconded by B Meath, approved by all, to adjourn at 10:11 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Laura Franz, Secretary