

February 23, 2021

CE Oversight Committee Meeting

In Attendance:

Trish Hobson, Mary Ann Priester, James Searcy, Rosalyn Allison-Jacobs, Megan Coffey, Branden Lewis, Kecia Robinson, Hannah- Marie Warfle, Tameka Gunn, Maurice Collins, Erin Nixon, Kally Canfield, Timothy Williams, Brian Battle, Godfrey. Kenya Joseph, Hope Marshall, Jessica Lefkowitz,

Welcome, Intro, Overview of Agenda – Trish Hobson

Vote: Approval of Minutes – Minutes were approved.

Encampment Update – Megan Coffey

- 2 locations trying to consolidate to 1 hotel. Basic needs are being met – working to get completed CEs on each guest and to get updated information to better understand everyone's current situation.
- Over 200 people located at 2 locations. Some folks have decided to not enter the hotel and have moved their encampment. These guests are being assisted as well by grassroots agencies.

Prioritization Tool Evaluation Update: - Maryann Priester

- July 31st implemented the new match process
- Evaluated the data from a race lens.
- What does this data really tell us? Where in the continuum is the largest disparity? Suggestion is process mapping throughout the process.
- We are not seeing the large disparities in matching – the largest disparities are from placement to housing. What are the causes in this delay? Are we looking at housing barriers and also income disparities?
- Goal remains to have someone matched and enrolled within 14 days. We are not meeting this goal.

Update on Coordinated entry Assessment:

- Been on hold due to the assessors wanting to observe an assessment being done.
- Suggestion is we wait for the evaluations to come back before we revisit the conversation of what data we want to see reported to this committee.
- Initial Draft Evaluation should be provided on February 26th.
- The meeting after the initial evaluation is presented we will revisit the data conversation.
- In analysis from exits from homelessness – those that identify as black/African American are experiencing homelessness about 2xs as long as those that identify as white.
- Returns to homeless again show a larger number of those identifying as black/African American are returning to homelessness at higher numbers than those that identify as white.

- Returns to homelessness – providers are seeing clients unable to maintain the housing financially once the subsidy ends is a contributing factor to returns to homelessness as well as mental health and addiction can also lead to a loss of housing and a return to homelessness.
- Some communities are expanding programs – is this possible in Mecklenburg County? There are a few programs: MeckHome and A Way Home that have expanded to 2 years and have showing good outcomes.

Agency Updates

- No reports.