

Atlanta Continuum of Care
Meeting Minutes
May 14th, 2019
818 Pollard Blvd, Atlanta GA 30315, 2nd Floor
10am-12pm

- ❖ Welcome and Introductions
 - Please note that there will be change in the agenda going forward. There will be more focus on the policies that will be going before the Governing Council.
- ❖ Presentation- Safe House, Phyllis Hughes
 - Safe House is an outreach agency and has three different phases of their programs to aid individuals in going beyond solely leaving homelessness, including a career development program.
 - For more information or partnership opportunities, please contact Phyllis Hughes at phyllis@safehouseoutreach.org.
- ❖ Presentation- House ATL, Alena Green
 - House ATL is presenting 23 data-driven recommendations to Mayor Bottoms pertaining to affordable housing in Atlanta. These recommendations were created by a cross-section group of civil leaders in a ten-month timeframe based on eight guiding principles.
 - The summary of the recommendations are as follows: investing in affordable housing, prioritizing community, working together better and smarter, and empowering Atlantans.
 - With these recommendations, affordable housing has a voice at the table and there can be a prioritization for homelessness.
 - For more information please visit www.HouseATL.org
- ❖ Presentation- 2020 Census, Timothy Carter
 - In 2020 the census will be electronic for the first time ever. It will be important for Homeless Service Agencies help bring awareness to the population served as well as be a trusted voice to show its importance.
 - They are hiring 14,000 jobs. The link to the general application is <https://2020census.gov/en/jobs>.
 - For more information, please contact Timothy Carter at timothy.carter@2020census.gov or (678) 938-9165
- ❖ HomeFirst and System Transformation Updates
 - Transformation Workgroup Updates, Cathryn Marchman
 - Work groups and daily work is now focused on system components and system roles.
 - Other Updates, Cathryn Marchman
 - PIT Count has been submitted. The full report will be available in June.
 - Host Homes case conference team meetings will be held quarterly.
 - A new outreach team staffed by Intown Collaborative Ministries is on the ground in the downtown/midtown area. Main activities are engagement, assessment, and housing navigation.
 - Youth RRH was awarded to PCCI and they are now taking referrals.
 - A soft commitment has been made to Covenant House for 30 independent living units for youth, pending conditions. With this commitment, the CoC has met all intervention goals for youth.
 - Employment initiative is underway with an employment navigator embedded in coordinated access point. Launching in June.
 - Two new Permanent Supportive Housing projects underway.
 - Caringworks: 20 beds
 - Mercy Care: 32 beds
 - Step up on 2nd is a PSH provider. Adding capacity with 17 referrals and 17 new housing
 - System Navigation Model, David Lee Mattison
 - Defines system navigation program and identifies the essential program elements and desired outcomes. System Navigators meet one hour every other week to actively work on moving people into housing.
 - Accepting feedback on this process. The system navigation model will be presented to the Governing Council in June.
 - Additional information can be found that the Partners for HOME website: partnersforhome.org
 - Outreach Program Model, Ashlee Starr

- Defines outreach program model and identifies the essential program elements and desired outcomes. All policies and models are made in series of workgroups and conversations. Currently working towards non-assessed priority list in workgroup.
 - Additional information can be found that the Partners for HOME website: partnersforhome.org
- ❖ PSH Pipeline Update, Chelsea Arkin
- An open notice of funding is available. Five applications have been received to date.
 - PFH is recommending updates to the 2020 Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Qualified Allocation Plan.
 - For more information, please contact Chelsea Arkin at carkin@partnersforhome.org.
- ❖ Agency Updates
- DECAL, Allison Setterlind
 - Summer feeding program is up and running. To apply to summer feeding program: <http://decalfga.gov/>
 - For families looking for childcare/summer camps: 877 All GA Kids
 - Intown Collaborative Ministries, Brad Schweers
 - Hiring a Director of Outreach Program. The position will be on the website by the end of the week.
 - If you are interested or know someone interested in this position please contact Brad Schweers brad@intowncm.org
 - VA, Kimberlyn Butler
 - For help with veteran affairs, please contact Kimberlyn in the Community Resource and Referral Office at kimberlyn.butler@va.gov or (404) 321-6111
 - City of Refuge
 - Hosting a job/career fair on 5/15 from 1 pm- 3pm at the Workforce Hub
 - Workforce innovation hub is open for anyone who is unemployed or underemployed from 8 am-4 pm Monday-Friday
 - Partners for HOME
 - Melanie Harrell
 - Introducing Amber Austin as new project manager
 - New performance reports for PSH RRH are in the testing phase
 - Cathryn Marchman
 - Currently getting a scope to build out reports for Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, and street outreach. It will be 2-3 months before roll out.
 - Send in ticket, etc. to HMIS (ClientTrack) about inability to build own reports
 - PFH working to add 2 HMIS Team members
 - Gateway Center, Bec Cranford
 - Bulk unfiltered kids/women clothes are available as well as children's toothbrushes and women's hygiene products
 - Contact Gateway to pick up

Atlanta CoC Meeting Schedule

Below are the regularly scheduled Atlanta CoC meetings, through January 2020.

The meetings will be from 10am-12pm, at Partners for HOME, 818 Pollard Blvd, on the second floor.

July 9, 2019
 September 10, 2019
 November 12, 2019
 January 14, 2020

Additional meetings may be scheduled, as needed.