

Atlanta Continuum of Care Governing Council
March 19, 2019
Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Tom Andrews	Laura Beggs	Carol Collard
Jimiyu Evans	Howard Grant	Natalie Hall
Jack Hardin	Phillip Hunter	Dana Johnson Inman
Monica Johnson	Terri Lee	Ed Powers
AJ Robinson	Janet Tharp	Dan Williams
Tammie Workman	Cathryn Marchman (<i>ex officio</i> , nonvoting)	

Members Absent

Natalyn Archibong	Connie Lee	Jenifer Turner-Reid
Cleta Winslow	Marc Pollack (<i>ex officio</i> , nonvoting)	

Guests/Staff Present

George Chidi (Central Atlanta Progress)
Amy Zaremba (PFH staff)

Welcome & Call to Order: AJ Robinson

- The Atlanta Continuum of Care Governing Council meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m. Introductions were made.

Minute Review: AJ Robinson

- A motion, made by Jack Hardin and seconded by Ed Powers, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the December Governing Council, with the correction that Ashley Williams was present, but as a guest of Hope Atlanta, not Partners for HOME.

System Performance: Cathryn Marchman

- Cathryn Marchman discussed that building off of the work that has been done with HomeFirst and the community strategic plan, the performance of the system, as a whole, will be measured and reported on, to illustrate the impact of this work. She explained that the data is rough and still being refined,
- The key metrics included:
 - 2018 Retention
 - Sudden drop in the fourth quarter was because one project lost funding and there was a mass discharge to another PSH
 - Housing Placements
 - Unduplicated people but not households
 - Includes Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Rapid Rehousing (RRH) (including SSVF RRH)
 - Point in Time
 - 14% reduction from 2017 to 2018

New Business

- Data Quality Plan: Amy Zaremba
 - A resolution to adopt the Atlanta CoC Data Quality Plan, which was reviewed at the premeeting, was presented. Jack Hardin motioned, Ed Powers seconded, and the motion to adopt the resolution was unanimously passed.
 - There was a brief discussion of how, if at all, this will affect the smaller providers who may not have the workforce to meet the standards. As with other quality plans, this is meant to be the gold standard, which agencies should aim to adhere to and meet.

Lead Agency Business

- 2018 HUD CoC Funding Update: Amy Zaremba
 - The Atlanta CoC did well in the 2018 HUD competition, adding two new projects, but losing one.
 - Overall, there was an increase in funding, as well as an increase in housing intervention total (PSH and RRH).
- 2019 Point in Time (PIT) Count Update: Cathryn Marchman
 - A preliminary overview of the 2019 PIT was provided, with the intent to provide the PIT Report at the June 2019 GC meeting.
 - There was a brief discussion regarding the involvement level of the Atlanta Police Department as it has been reported that the experience that the PIT teams have with the officers varies greatly.
- Pre-meeting Recap: Cathryn Marchman
 - The internal work of Partners for HOME is now based on a project management system, and the work being done in the community is shifting towards measuring the performance of the system, as a whole, focusing on housing placements and retention in housing.
 - Workgroups have been created, allowing for greater input from the community to shape the work that is being done.
 - When a policy is brought to the GC, it's a signal that it has gone through comprehensive community vetting and is ready for approval and endorsement.
 - The GC has the additional role to strategize how to align the work and resources to support the work.

Other Business/Announcements

- Tom Andrews reminded everyone that there will be a large reduction in HOWPA funding for the City of Atlanta, which may result in seeing more people becoming homeless. This is happening in the coming months and should just be something everyone stays mindful of.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:56 pm.