

Atlanta Continuum of Care Governing Council (ACoC)
December 13, 2018
Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Tom Andrews	Natalyn Archibong	Laura Beggs
Jimiyu Evans	Natalie Hall	Jack Hardin
Dana Johnson Inman	Connie Lee	Cathryn Marchman
Marc Pollack	Janet Tharp	Jenifer Turner-Reid
Dan Williams		

Members Absent

Carmen Chubb	Howard Grant	Phillip Hunter
Monica Johnson	Terri Lee	Ed Powers
A. J. Robinson	Cleta Winslow	Tammie Workman

Guests/Staff Present:

Calvin Brock (for Natalie Hall; no proxy)	Daphe Bond-Godfrey
Alena Green, Central Atlanta Progress	Melanie Harrell (PFH staff)
Jeff Smythe, HOPE Atlanta	Ashlee Starr (PFH staff)
Dave Whisnant (for Carmen Chubb; proxy)	Ashley Williams (PFH staff)
Zohra Yaqub (PFH staff)	

Welcome & Call to Order: Tom Andrews

The Atlanta Continuum of Care Governing Council meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. Introductions were made.

It was remarked that the Continuum has evolved successfully over the past four years through a lot of hard work from so many. Cathryn Marchman's efforts in this regard were recognized.

Minute Review: Tom Andrews

The 9/13/18 AHCOC meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Governance: Jack Hardin

- As A. J. Robinson takes over as Chair of the Atlanta Continuum of Care Governing Council, Tom Andrews was thanked for his leadership as he steps down. A motion, thanking Tom Andrews for his direction during the past 4 years and for serving an additional year on the Governing Board, was made and unanimously approved.
- A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to appoint Carol Collard, with Caring Works, to fill the at-large membership vacancy.

Committee Reports

- **Youth Committee: Cathryn Marchman**
 - A response from the highly competitive rapid rehousing (RRH) application process with focus on LGBT youth is expected between March/April and this should provide 50 new units.
 - Host homes: We are in the contracting phase with Inspiritus, formerly Lutheran Services of Georgia and, even though this is a new population for them, they offer a certain competency in host homes not seen before.
- **HMIS Committee: Cathryn Marchman**
 - The HMIS Committee continues to participate in statewide work with DCA. Currently 8 of the 9 CoC's that participate in the shared implementation contribute based on approved

amounts. A fair and equitable way to have other entities financially contribute will be developed.

- The 2018 NOFA competition was closed in September, but there has not been any announcement from HUD yet. has been received. Announcement of renewal grants is expected by the end of the year.
- Continued work to fix kinks in build-out of ClientTrack is underway. All data will be in a central location for easy access.
- **CABHI: Cathryn Marchman**
Successful CABHI outcome measures were reported and included 501 participants with primary care visits and 114 participants placed in permanent supportive housing against a goal to house 280. Goal not met due to lack of housing stock.
- **Rapid Re-Housing Update: Jimiyu Evans**
Year-one of the TANF RRH program will end in December 2018, with 100 households served; TANF renewed Year 2 funds and an additional 40 households will be served due to an investment from the Wells Fargo Neighborhood Lyft program. At a recent press conference, positive responses were received regarding funding initiative and the work being done, especially for children. The importance of education on overcoming the cycles of poverty were discussed.
- **Coordinated Entry Ashlee Starr**
All ESG and HomeFirst funded agencies are participating in coordinated entry with seven shelters listing vacancies. Six Home Flex/Haven providers through Atlanta Housing have partnered to ensure the most vulnerable are cared for. The data currently being tracked include rejections from housing providers and client rejections, those with severe mental illness, and length of wait time before housed. Provider training is being provided. Each access site is being tracked for utilization; mobile sites are seeing a lower volume than at Gateway; however 316 people were assessed in November through Coordinated Entry.

Partners for Home/CoC Update: Jack Hardin & Cathryn Marchman

- **HomeFirst:** Reaching the fundraising goal of \$25M is expected by the end of 2018. Once funds are secured, an allocation committee will be responsible for oversight of expenditures. In addition, initiatives for partnering with neighboring CoC's was discussed.
- **HouseATL: Daphe Bonel-Godfrey & Alena Green, Central Atlanta Progress**
The vision and development of HouseATL, a collaborative strategy to partner civic leadership in the City of Atlanta to address housing, was presented by Daphe Bonel-Godfrey & Alena Green. HouseATL is guided by a set of principles that were constructed under the leadership of a multi-disciplinary executive committee to develop a crisis response to homelessness through a variety of strategies such as regional planning in neighborhoods, emergency shelters and outreach in the city with outward growth as progress is made. This health and housing collaborative will use a quantifiable approach to track results and develop appropriate responses for improvement. Four partners will execute a partnership agreement with affiliated organizations to engage with the collaborative as needed. Recommendations to end chronic and family homelessness by 2019 include development of public and private funding, implementation of an anti-displacement initiative, and to work collaboratively for empowerment through education and engagement. Next steps for the task force will be the formation of key working groups to advance recommendations.
- **Point in Time Count (PIT):** This year's night PIT count will be held on 1/22/19 with day shifts the rest of the week.

2019 Meeting Schedule: Cathryn Marchman

A schedule of the 2019 CoC meeting dates will be sent.

Adjournment: Tom Andrews

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.