

Greater Nashua Continuum of Care (GNCOC)

August 7, 2019

Nashua City Hall, 3rd floor Auditorium

Call to Order 8:04am

Chairing today are co-chairs Mandy Reagan and Heather Nelson. Introductions were made by all. Mandy explained meeting layout to all.

Minutes from our June 5th meeting were reviewed, Wendy LeBlanc motioned to approve the minutes seconded by Pat Murphy. All were in favor.

There was a presentation today about Racial Disparities presented by Trinidad Tellez, MD – from the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Health Equity. Trinidad will email her Racial Disparities slideshow out to the entire CoC. Trinidad discussed the difference between Equity and Equality and how it can effect vulnerable populations within our community. As a Continuum, we want to make sure that we are addressing racial disparities within the Greater Nashua Area. We Reviewed Nashua's Racial and Equality Analysis Tool from our point in time count (PIT) data shows there is disparity in our area.

Announcements/Discussions:

- We are in our NOFA season right now, and Heather explained what the NOFA is and how we are working on our Application to be able to continue to fund programs supporting homelessness in our community. We are looking to try to get the bonus project granted this year to help get an outreach worker for Coordinated Entry. Every Thursday for the month of August there will be NOFA meetings at 77 NE BLD. from 1pm-3pm. We conference call with our CoC consultant to help us with this very important process. Anyone is welcome to attend and help us with this.
- Ashley sent out a survey to all in regards to the GNCOC's Coordinated Entry Process and Outreach in our community. If you have not done it yet please take some time to fill it out. Looking for agencies that already have outreach workers.
- Mandy let us know that in October elections will be held for GNCOC Chair or Co-Chairs, Vice- Chair and Clerk. Their term is up and they are looking for individuals that may be interested in the position. More information on the roles will be emailed out.
- Data committee is working on the ranking process on the 15th of August at 100 west pearl St. to validate the ranking score. It will be a better process this year. All are welcome to attend.
- Bike co-op- has given out 960 bike since they have been operating!
- Sunday, September 15th from 1-5pm is St. Patrick's, Cultural festival.

- This Saturday at 2pm-RISE barber shop is doing their ribbon cutting. They are a barber shop that encourages empowerment for sober living. Located at the End of west pearl St.
- On Saturday August 17th, there will be an African Caribbean celebration at the Veteran's Memorial Park, Downtown Manchester NH.
- Fuel Assistance new income eligibility information is available for everyone.

Adjournment 8:57AM.