

Greater Nashua Continuum of Care Executive Committee

45 High St. Welcoming Light at the Training Institute

December 19, 2018

In Attendance were: Mandy Reagan, Magaly Rios, Bob Mack, Michael Reinke, Heather Nelson, Wendy LeBlanc, Jill O'Neil, Gary Hooper, Ashley Gauthier, Maureen Magro, Pam Small, Gary Hooper.

Call to order 10:00AM. Chairing today is Mandy and Heather. Heather needs to excuse herself as she must leave the meeting early today. October's minutes were reviewed. Bob made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by Wendy. All in favor

A discussion took place on how beneficial it would be if we had a Coordinated Entry (CE) coordinator or a housing navigator as an access point for people to get housing resources/supports. Keene just hired a CE coordinator. Mandy will be inviting their director to do a presentation on how things are working in Keene NH and how to access grants for this resource.

For future meetings it was decided that we will be meeting at the different executive committee member's office locations every month. This way we can have a better idea on what other agencies look like and what each agency does. The United Way hosts a resource fair annually.

We reviewed how to add individuals to the VISPDAT.

Bob asked for additional supports from the leaders on this committee to have their staff members who are running the shelters, and that are answering the *CE* hotline to come out to the Ending Homeless Committee (EHC). During the *EHC* meeting we discussed shelter capacity and the *CE* process and how to improve it. Got support from everyone. The *EHC* attendance list will be sent to Heather for her to review to see who is missing and should be attending these meetings.

Mandy will ask Robert Waters, to come to January's GNCOC General Committee meeting to presents on coordinated entry. He also ` chairs the Southeastern Continuum of Care.

The Data Gathering Committee is meeting tomorrow. Jill will be chairing the committee and it was brought to her attention part of being the chair to this committee, she would have to analyze data. She has been given a 14-page document in which she has to figure out what it means and what is most valuable out of that information. Jill admits she doesn't know how to do this and is looking for supports. Ashley will be meeting with Miles and Donna from HMIS to see if she can help by learning how to read the 14-page data. Bob let us all know that the epidemiologist from the health department will be attending the meetings as well and should be able to help.

The Point in time count is on January 23rd. Flyers were given out for providers to hang up reminding them of the date.

The GNCOC website is live. Ashley is very familiar on how to how to manage the website. She will be including the two upcoming events that are Employment Connect and the Homeless Vigil. The Community Relation committee was an ad-hoc committee and if it's not stated in our

governance that we need it then it can be removed from our website. Since, it has been years since that committee has met.

We discussed the importance of the “Wrap Around Services” and how it maybe something we can add to our website in case providers are looking to have one. This is something we can include in our agenda for a future meeting.

The Youth Committee is looking for a chair. We are not sure who in the schools is currently assisting the homeless youth. There is a new SAMHSA grant starting in January serving youth ages 18-24 years’ old who have a co-occurring disorder. Mandy will reach out to new director at the Youth Council to find out who is assisting the homeless youth.

Rick Rutter will no longer be working for the Rescue Mission and currently looking for a replacement. The Rescue Mission is hosting a good bye celebration for him on Sunday, December 30th at 2pm. Bob is finding out if Rick is coming to January’s GNCOC meeting so we can eat cake to celebrate his new adventures.

Meeting adjured 10:27AM