



United Way of North Central
Florida CoC Leadership
Council MAY 02 May 02,
2024
3:30 pm-5:00 pm Eastern
Time
Location: Zoom

Attendance:

Claudia Tuck – Alachua County Support Services
Mark Brisbane- Center for Independent Living
Amanda Nazario – Alachua County Housing Authority
Chief Joe Dixon – Gainesville Fire and Rescue
Brendan Shortley – Helping Hands Clinic
Nancy Eisele- LSF
Keanna Johson – United Way
JoeAnn Spencer- United Way

Amber Miller – United Way
Peter Dannenhoffer – Lived Experience
Bea Awoniyi – Santa Fe College
Michelle Sherfield- Alachua County Sheriff Office
Lori Slaven – Lee Conlee House
Valeria Segui-Gonzalea- United Way
Rena McCann - United Way

I. Welcome

Meeting and roll call begin at 3:36 p.m. by Claudia Tuck. Mikal Cartier, CEO TaskForce Fore Ending Homelessness and Jacob Torner, VP Programs, introduced themselves.

A. Motion to approve April meeting minutes by Amanda Nazario, seconded by Bea Awoniyi, motion carried.

II. Committee Reports

A. Coordinated Entry Committee

Keanna Johnson– Ongoing meetings with Storm on the place value assessment. Amanda Wander with Florida Housing Coalition is working to update policies and procedures. CE will meet tomorrow to finalize a few items. By name list 244 single 10 transition aged youths, 17 families- 22 adults, 50 children. We are starting the test on the place value assessment, met with VA, Family Promise Catholic Charities Putnam and GRACE will be testing. There is a 30 day timeframe for testing, we will compare the place value vs the VISPADT.

B. HMIS Committee

Valeria Segui-Gonzalez - HIT/PIT reporting is now due on the 10th. Total individual April 432, emergency shelter 399. New training from Wellsky has been completed. Anyone can sign up directly through Wellsky.

C. Lived Experience Committee

Amber Miller- Report is attached. Please share with clients about joining the committee. Next meeting May 21, at the Alachua County Library downtown, 3rd floor. 1:00 p.m. lunch is provided.

D. PIT Count Committee

(Amber Miller) Data base for next year discussion as to what needs to be included on the survey. Next meeting tomorrow.

E. RFP Subcommittee

Claudia Tuck- *Happy to have Taskforce Fore Ending Homelessness with us.*

III. Lead Agency Report

Amber Miller

- A. March CoC Spenddown Report Grant Spenddown Reports – Rena McCann- We are on track with every grant.
- B. March Lead Agency Financials . Amber reviewed the Lead Agency budget for the grants.

IV. Strategy

- A. CoC Council Member Strategy – Council seats need to be filled. The gaps are legal, real estate/property management, healthcare, mental health, rural counties appointees. A correspondence will be sent to the general membership for nominations. Whoever the chair will be, Jacob Torner will serve on the council.
Motion by Lori Slaven that Brendan Shortley has volunteered to chair the nomination committee if not the executive committee will serve as nomination committee, seconded by Amanda Nazario, motion carried.
- B. Lead Agency Transition- Going well, working with Taskforce, we have been meeting regularly. Waiting to hear back from HUD on some issues so there can be a clean turnover on June 30. Working on transferring files and website. We are on track to have everything transferred on time.
- C. Change from Lead Agency to Collaborative Applicant – Claudia Tuck stated it was recommended by Leann Sacina, Florida Coalition to End Homelessness to change the language to coincide with HUD, we will change language from Lead Agency to Collaborative Applicant. Motion to officially cease the term Lead Agency going forward using the term Collaborative Applicant to coincide with HUD language by Brendan Shortley seconded by Michelle Sherfield. Motion carried.
- D. RFP for FY24-25 DCF Grants -We are in the final year of a three-year contract for DCF funding. Recommending an RFP for funds. Funds were originally awarded in 2019, the award was for three years. Due to COVID, DCF did not release an RFP but extended the awards by three years. Looking at releasing an RFP that also includes an increase in the Challenge grant. We will have to do an RFP due to only two agencies receiving Challenge grant funds.
Keanna presented the budget scenarios and logic for the budgets (included in packet). Motion to accept #1 by Nancy Eisele, seconded by Michelle Sherfield, motion carried.

V. New/Old Business

- A. Status Update from TaskForce- Jacob thanked Claudia, Amber and the team for the good transition. He spoke of the vision to end homelessness. The science behind it is very clear and the work on the initiatives focuses on empowerment, coordination, outreach with strategic partnerships through all counties. He is eager to bring a data driven approach to everything we do. Community engagement is true to his heart, looking for sustainability. Recruiting a director, Claudia will join in the process. We have two finalists. May 16-23 Mickal and Jacob will be in the community. Time slots will be open for appointments.

Michelle Sherfield stated she appreciates the offer for current staff to remain. Bea Awoniyi shared that sentiment.

St. Francis House made the decision to sell Sunrise to a for profit developer. County was approved to make a counteroffer. County has the option to purchase the facility.

Adjourned 5:20 p.m.