



Meeting Date: January 11, 2022

Time: 8:30 am

Virtual Meeting

Co-Chairs: Celene Steckel & Tammy Black

Topic Discussion

Attendance:

Scott Yard, Stephanie Halley, Javier Toro, Celene Steckel, Claire Payne, Pastor Marty, Judi Nance, Jennifer Graybill, Judy Myers, Cheri Ebaugh, Donna Devilbiss, Sondra Groft, Clare Kazyak, A Joslyn, Bobbie Lawrence, Mike Fisher, Jeff Swecker, Amy Baker, Leslie Wagner, Amy Meyer, Lou Yeager, Stacia Smith, Sue Doyle, Scott Swartz, Linda Ibex, Tiffany Fossett, Heather Powell, Joanna Waters, Bettijane Shaffer, Yels, Tiffany Carnegie, Gabby Zelaya, Drew Thomas, D Ross, E Holcomb, Dona Foster, April Weiner, Becky Tesch, Don Mongold, Stan Whiteman, Tammy Haines, Leslie Flanagan, Corina Canon, Jennifer Claggett, Tammi Casson, Georgianna Allen, Cindy Dunbar, Scott Singleton, Shirley Carter, Dawn Moody, Gina Valentine, Eric Brown, Tammy Black, Karen Gordon, J Guevara, Dustine Baublitz, Brian Colussy, Danielle Yates, Lorrie Yinger, M Borle, Jill Fox, Elizabeth Davoren, Kaysy Connell, Diane Steckel, Christine Fogle, Sally Esser, A Thompson, Tatyana Worthington, Ashley Wantz, Alyssa Hanson, Erica Moltz, Debby Standiford, Corey Hardinger Wilt, Carly Long, Elain Scott, Jason Sidock

1. Welcome– Tammy Black

a. Needs and Community/Partner updates

Email all needs and updates to cpayne@carrollcountymd.gov.

b. Community Spotlight Presentation

i. Habitat for Humanity and ReStore- Scott Swartz

In 2022, Habitat for Humanity will be building a duplex in Taneytown for a family in need. As some of you may know, Habitat for Humanity attempted to start this build 3 years ago and then the pandemic hit.

The critical home repair program is looking for more applicants! Anyone who falls into the median income bracket in Carroll County and is unable to make home repairs are eligible!

ReStore- What donation items are you looking at Restore?

Ideal donations are furniture, sofas, chairs, tables, desks, etc. Free of rips, tears, stains, and are pet free. Building Supplies. Lumber, stick lumber, sheets. Appliances, lighting, paint, etc. The ReStore does not accept beds, clothes, or textiles as donations.

Volunteer Opportunities are available at ReStore. Contact volunteer coordinator, Claire Haddock, at chaddock@cchabitat.org or call 410-751-2500 option 3.

2. Approval of November's Meeting Minutes

Tammy Black motioned to approve the November minutes- Lou Yeager approved. Jenny Graybill second. No opposed.

3. Upcoming Training Calendar for COC Meetings-Celene

We've identified the core trainings that we need to do throughout the year. We will stick to the model of today's meeting where we will start with CoCHB business during the first half and hold an informational training during the second half.

4. Local Management Board Update/Youth Reach- Gabby Zelaya

The 2022 Youth Reach count will happen this spring. The youth count is Maryland's effort to better understand young adults with housing instability. This is a survey of youth and young adults that are on the streets, doubled up, a runaway, or at imminent risk of homelessness. The survey will take place from April 3- April 16.

5. Upcoming PIT Count-Danielle Yates

Annually, we are required by HUD to do a point in time (PIT) count. The PIT count must take place during the last 10 days in January. We have secured a date of January 26th this year and we will be doing a sheltered and unsheltered count. This year we will have no volunteers because of covid. Individuals from HSP, CCHD, Sheriff's office, Citizen Services, and Housing will conduct the count. Shane Fox who was our HMIS analyst has left. We have hired Stephanie Krome as our new HMIS analyst. Stephanie coming from the CCG budget office.

6. Shelter Services – Utilization and Capacity / Waiting Lists

a. Night by Night – HSP

During the month of December, HSP served an average of 18 individuals per night. With a total of 8 individuals for the month. 39 Men and 9 Women. Highest number of individuals served was 26 and lowest served was 10 (New Year's Eve).

b. Adult Shelter – HSP

Adult Only Shelter Capacity- 31 individuals. Served 33 individuals in the month of December. There has been bed bug issues which are now resolved.

c. Family Shelter – HSP

Family Shelter Capacity -7 Families. Served 6 households in the month of December.

d. Domestic Violence – Springboard

No Representation

7. Day Centers – Updates / Utilization

Over the month of December, 65 individuals were served at the Day Center. 3 individuals showed up in one day that were brand new. Continuing to see a spike in new people which we are hoping to serve.

HSP had a small outbreak of COVID at the Adult Only shelter, so far only 4 individuals have tested positive, and all are vaccinated. Symptoms are minor and everyone was removed quickly from shelter.

In December 71% of the shelter participants were vaccinated.

Scott Yard, Executive Director of HSP- We have been working with County facilities on changing use permit at Adult Only shelter with the hopes of adding bunk beds at shelter. We are the only Adult Only shelter that do not use bunk beds. We've already met with Westminster city to reallocate water. Fire marshal team will go over and restate the building capacity.

The cold weather season looked differently in previous years for Carroll County, we used to operate a cold weather shelter when the temperatures became extreme. The cold weather shelter has become the night-by-night shelter and it is now a year-round opportunity. If you know someone who is experiencing homelessness, do not locate them to encampments. Refer them to HSP

We've received an influx in funding for Rapid Rehousing money. Each jurisdiction has received additional funding for housing. Series of different ways we can leverage funding. If shelter is not a good option for someone it is not the only option they have. Judi Nance can do shelter screenings. Judi carries them on her during street outreach.

Rent help- do individuals have to have an eviction notice? It all depends. Call the screening line at 410 386 6623. HSP wants to be the ones to say, Yes! HSP knows all the different pots of money. If you are working with an individual, sign an ROI so we can work together. Courts put an emporium on evictions until February 11.

8. Funding Updates

a. Emergency Rental Assistance Program Funding – Danielle Yates

i. Total awarded to date

ERAP- with the help of HSP we've been able to dispense \$2.6 million dollars. The Housing Stability Coordinators continue to work with the courts and sheriff's office. In total we were awarded 4.2 million, so we are about half way there.

ii. Total households served

b. Homeowners Assistance Program - <https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Residents/Pages/HomeownerAssistanceFund.aspx>

This State-run program is operational! Know someone who is behind in mortgage? Anyone is able to go in, make a request, and receive a response within 48 hours.

Utility assistance is out there as well. Refer anyone to HSP! HSP will assist them to the right source.

9. Citizen Services Updates-Celene/Danielle/Gina

a. Housing

The County has agreed to allow us to purchase the Penn Mar building. A portion of this building will become the new family shelter and provide better opportunities for families and children. The other parts of the building will become additional county

office space for the Bureau of Aging & Disabilities and Penn Mar will lease back some of the office space for a few years as they transition into their community-based model of service. The plan is to secure additional grant funding.

At this time all mainstream vouchers have been utilized. Referrals are still be accepted. We are open for business and seeing clients in person. Offering evening hours one week every month. We are open from 8am-7pm. Evening hours are displayed online. We have also hire two new housing specialist- Jennifer Williams and Gini Sarant.

b. Aging

The Bureau of Aging & Disabilities is operating as normal. Masks are required!

Open enrollment has ended. Debbie Frame has retired, and Nicole Ranoull is transitioning into her position.

We are currently interviewing for a Vaccination Outreach Specialist. The purpose of this position is to increase the number of seniors that are vaccinated in the County or for those who are struggling to find a test.

If there is a homebound individual who can get their provider or physician to write an order, Access Carroll can get them tested. Access Carroll has a LabCorp currier service. If the sample is at Access Carroll by 3:30 the sample should be tested the next day. Access Carroll is providing testing to their clients as well; clients are to remain in their cars and are not to enter the building.

Homeless Veterans Update- 4 VASH vouchers have been awarded recently. 2 of those have found units. There is another Veterans who was awarded a Mainstream voucher and has found a unit as well!

10. Health Dept. Update- Amy Baker

The Health Department lobby is closed but is offering curbside services.

COVID testing is available every Tuesday and Thursday at the AG Center from 9-1 by appointment only.

COVID Vaccinations are available on Monday and Wednesday from 9:30-2:30 by appointment only in the K Building at Carroll Community College.

PATH Program continues to see several new homeless individuals per week. Seeing a spike in individuals with serious mental health disorders. Mike Clavin continues to provide outreach to these individuals.

Maryland Department of Health recently had major security issues. This security breach has impacted the ability to do birth and death certificates. Please spread the word that the public is unable to walk in and obtain a copy at this time.

11. Youth Services

a. CCPS Homeless Youth Services (See Table A) – Dona Foster

The number of homeless students in Carroll County have doubled since this time last year.

The homeless students are primarily at the high school level.

12. You've Been on the Front Lines, Now It's Time to Re-Group Presentation- Master Clinical Trainer, Erica Moltz

Contact Claire Payne cpayne@carrollcountymd.gov for a copy of the PowerPoint Presentation

Please complete this short survey to receive CEU's- <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9L8G2M6>

TABLE A:

As of **December 31, 2021 (93)** students have been identified as homeless. This is a cumulative/running report with the exception, if a student has withdrawn from CCPS (i.e. Home schooling, private school, moved out of county, etc....) they have been removed from the chart.

HOMELESS STUDENTS TO-DATE THIS YEAR 2021-2022						
12/31/20	05/31/21	9/30/2021	10/29/2021	11/30/2021	12/31/2021	
48	81	58	80	89	93	TOTAL HOMELESS
17	31	30	37	39	44	Elementary
12	24	13	21	24	23	Middle
19	26	15	22	28	26	High and Post Secondary
10	21	13	17	20	22	Special Education
7	11	10	11	14	14	Unaccompanied
2	1	1	1	2	2	ELL
22	37	21	32	40	43	Doubled Up
11	22	10	15	16	17	Hotel
2	2	9	12	11	11	Shelter
10	17	18	21	22	22	Temporary (temporarily dislocated due to fire, flood, etc.-will return to their home)
3	3	0	0	0	0	Other (living in a situation that may include a car, park, tent, camper on the street)

Next Scheduled CoC Meeting (VIRTUAL) – March 8, 2022 – 8:30am to 10:30am