

Carroll County, MD Circle of Caring Homelessness Board
Continuum of Care - Executive Board

Meeting Date: April 27, 2026

Time: 2:30 pm-4:30 pm

Location: In-person

Chair: Celene Steckel

Topic Discussion

Attendance: Chris Burge, Bobbie Lawrence, Kevin McGinnis, Celene Steckel, Jason Martin, Emma Diblasi, Yolandie Els, Stephanie Halley, Carly Long, Debby Standiford, Matthew Levy, Stephanie Powers, Kaysy Crumley, Danielle Yates, Kathy Ridgely, Ed Singer, Joanna Waters, Corey Hardinger, Nicole Jackman, Vicky Kretzer, Amy Baker
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1. Welcome and Introductions

- Stephanie Powers – April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month; Take Back the Night and Yoga on Friday
- Ed Singer – April 30 is Resource Fair for the Enough Act in Union Bridge from 4:30pm-7:30pm
- Chris Burge – May 14th is the Safety Summit with the LEAB
- Amy Baker – CCRE Conference this Friday
- Veterans Celebration – May 3rd from 12noon-4pm at the Carroll County Farm Museum
- Grilling for Good – May 17th at Island Green

2. Approval of March 23rd Minutes

- Chris Burge motions to approve
- Stephanie Halley seconded,
- Minutes approved without objection

3. Update from HUD Regional Meeting on /16/26

- Perm Housing can request a wavier for funding
- Employment will be a prerequisite moving forward

4. Data Review

- HSP, Housing, Veterans Services Program, CCHD, and Springboard all shared their reports

5. COC NOFO Update

6. HSP Grant Update

- Went before the Commissioners for gap funding approval
- Application was submitted April 17th
- Hope to hear something by the end of May

7. Homeless Services Summit – May 11, 2026

- Will have three panels
- Serving breakfast and lunch
- Danielle Meister and Amy Louttit will be presenting from DHCD
- A Homeless Services Resource Guide will be created and handed out to all registrants

8. Ad Hoc Committee Development

- To assist with COC Governance
- Debby Standiford will assist Carly Long, Stephanie Powers, and Kaysy Crumley
- Annual process with yearly approval

9. Subcommittee Updates:

- **Data Committee – Kaysy Crumley and Emma DiBlasi**
 - i. HIC and PIT submitted Friday
 - ii. HIC consisted of 207 individuals and PIT consisted of 128 individuals

- iii. 111 sheltered and 17 unsheltered counts
- iv. Built for Zero on April 29th this Wednesday
- **Lived Expertise Advisory Board – Amy Baker and Chris Burge**
 - i. Great attendance at the meeting this month; many new faces and 18 total attendees
 - ii. May 14th - Safety Summit with Kevin McGinnis for how to be homeless and safe on the streets – 13 registered so far
 - iii. Will be sitting in on the Homeless Services Summit panel
 - iv. Next meeting is May 21st from 2-3pm at The COVE
 - v. Homeless Services surveys to hand out are not finalized yet
- **Advocacy Subcommittee – Stephanie Halley and Dave Drezner**
 - i. Did not meet, next meeting May 4th at 2pm
- **Access to Housing – Celene Steckel**
 - i. No update
- **Systems of Care – Marie Liddick**
 - i. Meeting on May 18th
- **Coordinated Entry – Jennifer Graybill**
 - i. Meet on May 5th
 - ii. Seeing lots of exits to unknown destinations
 - iii. Meetings are in person at HSP
 - iv. Built for Zero recording implemented
- **Ending Veterans Homelessness – Bobbie Lawrence**
 - i. Meeting the 2nd Friday of May
 - ii. Veterans Celebration May 3rd from 12noon-4pm at the Farm Museum
- **Youth Homelessness – Ed Singer**
 - i. Met on April 8th
 - ii. DSS – 30 children in Foster Care; 8 12-year-olds ready to move on
 - iii. Connecting Youth no longer funded by the LMB
 - iv. YSB – found private funding and will transition on July 1st to Bridges Program

- **YAB – Carly Long**
 - i. Outreach event at Union Bridge on April 30th
 - ii. Will hand out hygiene items and participate in rock painting at the Outreach event
 - iii. States planning meeting in June @ Morgan State University
 - iv. Submitting round 2 of Youth Homelessness funding
 - v. YAB will have participation in the panels at the Homeless Services Summit on May 11th
- **Outreach –**
 - i. Did not meet in April
 - ii. Gearing up for carnival season and handing out resource packets

*The next Executive Board Meeting will take place in person on Monday, June 22nd at The COVE from
2:30pm to 4:30pm*