

**Mississippi Balance of State CoC
Governing Council Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, December 16th, 2021

10:00 a.m.

TIME AND PLACE

The Mississippi Balance of State CoC Governing Council was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Woolfork State Office Building in Jackson MS.

ROLL CALL

Elected COC Governing Council Members, the HMIS Lead Agency, and the CoC Collaborative Applicant

CALL TO ORDER

Hannah Maharrey, MS BOS COC Director, called the meeting to order.

PRESENT

Hannah Maharrey, Martha Mitternacht, Ledger Parker, Bethany Latham, Angie Belvin (proxy for Abby Miller), Cindy Cheeks, Colleen Hartfield, Ailrick Young, Robbie Brown, Emma James (proxy for Rebecca Nelson), Reginald Glenn, and Dr. Sarah Grabmiller.

Additional Notes

GC members Ivie Rivers, Collin Billingsley, Chantel Maye, Louise Meyer, Florida McKay, Rebecca Ford, and Jason Spencer were unable to attend

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes were submitted for the October 2021 Governing Council meetings.

ADOPTION / REVIEW OF AGENDA

Ledger Parker adopted a motion to accept the agenda and minutes. The motion was seconded by Martha Mitternacht. All in favor by acclamation.

AGENDA ITEMS

I. MS BoS CoC Governing Council 2022 Schedule

1. Thursday, March 17th, 2022
2. Thursday, June 16th, 2022
3. Thursday, September 15th, 2022
4. Thursday, December 15th, 2022

II. Governing Council Member Updates

1. Introduced new Governing Council Members
2. Currently no Southwest regional representation on the Governing Council, need to identify and engage new partners in Southwest region.
3. Governing Council need to replace the Secretary/Treasurer due to previous secretary Sherry Holloway resigning. Current Executive

Committee consists of Chair Martha Mitternight, and Vice Chair Ivie Rivers.

III. CONTINUUM OF CARE REGIONAL UPDATES:

1. Northeast – Rebecca Nelson
2. Delta – Florida McKay
3. East Central – Abby Miller
4. Pine Belt – Rebecca Ford
5. Southwest – Representative role is vacant.

IV. MUTEH HMIS Report – Bethany Latham, HMIS Director

1. Awards Totals:
 1. 88 Total Projects
 1. 77 Active
 2. 3 Inactive
 3. 8 Central CoC
 2. 1119 Active Logins
 3. 2, 876 Current Record Count
 4. 44,091 History Record Count
2. Project Type Totals - 88
 1. Outreach – 10
 2. Emergency Shelter – 13
 3. HOPWA – 10
 4. HP and RRH – 33
 5. CHOICE – 3
 6. PATH – 3
 7. SSO – 4
 8. EHV – 1
 9. PSH – 7
 10. TH – 4
3. New Data Research Analyst added to HMIS Team – Maddie Ludt
4. Improvement Plans
 1. HMIS team will be working with projects and programs on creating improvement plans
 2. Improvement plans will consist of:
 1. Admission -> Move-in-Dates
 2. Waitlist Placements
 3. Missing Data
 4. Data Accuracy
 5. MPR Utilization
 6. Discharge Outcomes
 7. Site Visits for Monitoring
5. AWARDS Housing (Waitlist vs Move-in)
 1. 10/1/2021-12/10/2021 – Last Quarter
 2. Waitlist Placed
 1. October – 47

2. November 55
 3. December (12/1/2021-present) - 8
3. Move-in
 1. October - 35
 2. November - 32
 3. December – 6
6. Agencies housing clients:
 1. VASH – 1
 2. Oak Arbor SSVF – 7
 3. BCCAA ESG – 1
 4. 227 Place – 1
 5. ASC ESG – 4
 6. BCCAA – 13
 7. CCSM COC – 5
 8. CCSM ESG – 8
 9. IDS COC – 2
 10. EHV – 20
 11. MUTEH PSH – 1
 12. MUTEH COC – 12
 13. MUTEH SSVF – 6
 14. MUTEH RAMP – 29
7. Monthly Progress Reports
 1. HMIS Team sends out MPRs to agencies about their system performance measures
8. Training Programs
 1. Base Camp Trainings
 2. Trek Trainings
 3. Summit Certification
 4. ED Climb
 5. Quizzes for each level
 6. Request through TA Link
 1. 520 Total Requests
 2. Avg Time to Complete Task: 27.1minutes
 1. 485 completed
 2. 4 new requests
 3. 10 tasks in process
 4. 16 tasks to be completed
 3. Person Handling Requests
 1. Bethany Latham – 135
 2. Reginald Glenn – 131
 3. Jade Maharrey – 2016
 4. Maddie Ludt - 18
9. AWARDS Updates:
 1. Data Analyst Position Filled
 2. LSA Draft due by Dec 20th
 3. SPMS Due 2/28/2022

4. Improvement Plans
 1. Site Visits
5. HP Screening Implementation
6. Redefining Outreach in AWARDS
 1. Using waitlist functionality

V. MSBOS Emergency Housing Voucher Report – Javonda Stanton, EHV director

1. Emergency Housing Vouchers – 6 PHAs
 - a) South Delta Housing Authority
 - b) Greenwood Housing Authority
 - c) Oxford Housing Authority
 - d) Tennessee Valley Regional Housing Authority
 - e) Region VI Housing Authority (Shared with Central CoC)
 - f) Region V Housing Authority
2. Populations who may be eligible for EHV and would be prioritized for program
 - a) Homeless
 - b) At risk of Homelessness
 - c) Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence
 - d) Were recently homeless or have high risk of housing instability
3. Viable Referrals
 - a) Must come through MSBOS Coordinated Entry System
 - b) Must have homeless certification
 - c) Must have photo ID
 - d) Must require little to no case management
 - e) Must be connect to other resources that can assist in maintaining utilities and other expenses
4. 171 Emergency Housing Voucher – 91 issued and/or in-process
 - a) South Delta Housing Authority – 24 vouchers – 20 remaining
 - b) Greenwood Housing Authority – 15 vouchers – 14 remaining
 - c) Oxford Housing Authority – 42 vouchers – 13 remaining
 - d) Tennessee Valley Regional Housing Authority – 56 vouchers – 23 remaining
 - e) Region VI Housing Authority (Shared with Central CoC) – no vouchers remaining
 - f) Region V Housing Authority – 34 vouchers – 10 remaining

VI. Coordinated Entry System Updates – Reginald Glenn, CES Director

1. CES Team:
 1. Reginald Glenn – director
 2. Northeast Navigator – Robert Lukes
 3. East Central – TBA
 4. Pine Belt – Yemekia Steele
2. Next Steps
 1. Hire East Central Navigator

2. Continued Training
3. Phase-in CES Process
4. Meet with Stakeholders
5. CES Training for agencies
6. Finalize Updated CES Policy
 1. Diversion
 2. Homeless Prevention
 3. Emergency Housing Voucher
 4. Client Assignment and Follow-up
 5. Project Enrollment
3. Governing Council needs to review and vote on CES Policies and Procedures
 1. Review and Voting Session is scheduled for Monday, January 17th, 2022, via virtual meeting

VII. FY 2021 COC Funding Competition

1. CoC Application Timeline
 1. Wednesday, September 1st, 2021 – Announce NOFO and Letters of Intent
 2. Wednesday, September 15th, 2021 – Letter of Intent Deadline
 3. Friday, October 15th, 2021 - Project Application Submission Deadline
 4. Thursday, October 21st, 2021 – Rank and Review Committee
 5. Friday, October 29th, 2021 – Project and Public Notification of Rank and Review
 6. Tuesday, November 16th, 2021 – CoC's HUD Application Submission
2. FY2021 Estimated Annual Renewal Demand
 1. PPRN - \$6,521,424
 2. Estimated ARD – 3,087,565
 3. Tier 1 – \$3,087,565
 4. CoC Bonus – \$326,071
 5. DV Bonus - \$978,214
 6. CoC Planning - \$195,643
3. Rank and Review Committee
 1. Consist of Governing Council Members who do not receive CoC or HUD Funding
 2. FY2021 Rank and Review Members:
 1. Collin Billingsley
 2. Rebecca Nelson
 3. Rebecca Ford
 4. Chantel Maye
 5. Aleisha Escobedo – proxy for GC member Colleen Hartfield
 3. Total Projects Submitted:

1. New Project:
 1. MUTEH Safe at Home (Domestic Violence Bonus) - RRH - Rapid Rehousing
2. CoC Planning project (is always submitted as a new project and is not part of rating and review)
3. Renewal Projects:
 1. AIDS Service Coalition 121 Haven House - PSH - Permanent Supportive Housing
 2. AIDS Service Coalition Green Meadows - PSH - Permanent Supportive Housing
 3. Bolivar County Community Action Agency - RRH - Rapid Rehousing
 4. Care Lodge - TH/RRH - Transitional/Rapid Rehousing
 5. HMIS 1/HMIS 2 - Homeless Management Information System
 6. MUTEH Central MS - PSH - Permanent Supportive Housing
 7. MUTEH CES - Coordinated Entry System Program
 8. MUTEH - RRH - Rapid Rehousing
 9. Resilience Development Corporation Delta Project - PSH - Permanent Supportive Housing
 10. Recovery House - RRH - Rapid Rehousing
 11. Univ of Southern Mississippi Recovery Project - RRH - Rapid Rehousing
4. Ranking Factors
 1. The committee will rank and review projects (reallocated, new, and renewal) based on the following priority order:
 2. Performance Measures: Determined via HUD Rating and Ranking Tool using HMIS info
 3. Performance Measures: Ranked by performance within project type based on CoC adopted standards from most recent APR available and MPRs generated by HMIS (Utilization Rates)
 4. Agency Capacity: Determined by threshold requirements
 5. Target population as identified by unmet need analysis (PIT Count)
 6. Project Service Area
 7. The Committee will also consider other priorities during ranking such as:
 8. The priority of new projects
 9. The importance of renewal projects
5. FY2021 Ranking Results

1. MUTEH Inc. – BOS COC CES
2. MUTEH Inc. – CoC Rapid Rehousing
3. MUTEH Inc. – Central MS PSH
4. AIDS Services Coalition – 227 Place PSH
5. MUTEH Inc. – HMIS I
6. MUTEH Inc. – HMIS II
7. AIDS Service Coalition – 121 Haven House PSH
8. Bolivar County Community Action Agency – BCCA Rapid Rehousing
9. USM – Institute of Disability Studies – Project Recovery CoC RRH
10. Care Lodge – Natchez CoC Rapid Rehousing
11. Resilience Development Corp – CoC Delta New Project PSH
12. Recovery House – CoC Rapid Rehousing
13. MUTEH Inc.- Safe at Home, DV Bonus

VIII. 2022 Point-in-Time Count and Housing Inventory Count

1. Point-in-Time Count – Tuesday, January 25th, 2021 – annual homelessness census. Includes sheltered and unsheltered homeless individuals and families.
2. Housing Inventory Count – annual census of housing/bed inventory in CoC. Includes all housing programs (RRH/PSH/TH) and shelter programs (ES/DV).

IX. 2021 PIT Count Overview

1. Total Count : 268
 1. Unsheltered partial count: 123
 2. Sheltered full count: 145
2. Regional Coalition Totals
 1. Delta – 30
 2. Northeast – 87
 3. East Central – 57
 4. Southwest – 22
 5. Pine Belt – 65

X. Mississippi Balance of State CoC 2022 Goals:

1. Ending Chronic Homelessness by 2023
 1. Restarting Chronic Homeless Task Force
2. Trainings across CoC:
 1. Outreach/Intake
 2. Housing
 3. Case Management

XI. Other Items and Open Discussion

1. Homelessness Prevention CES
2. SSVF and Veteran Task Force
3. Other Programs within MSBOS
4. RAMP-ERA
5. ESG-CV
6. Standard ESG
7. HOME-ARP
 1. Hattiesburg
 2. State-wide

NEXT GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING: March 17th, 2022

The meeting adjourned at 12:30pm