



Monmouth County Homeless System Collaborative

Executive Committee

May 6th, 2025

Minutes

- I. Introduction/Open Public Meetings Act
- II. Approval of March meeting minutes- Mark made a motion; Catherine made a second; all in favor
- III. Public Participation: Susan made a motion; Laura made a second to open to public; all in favor
- IV. New Business/Discussion
 - a. Data
 - i. HUD Reports: SPM
 - b. Focus Group Outcomes: Kasey reported two focus groups have occurred to date (3/26 and 4/16) with another scheduled for tomorrow. Highlights of barriers, resources needed, and key takeaways were shared with the group. The plan will be to discuss long and short term goals for committees following the final group tomorrow.
 - c. Expanding Affordable Housing Opportunities for the Homeless
 - i. Homeless Trust Fund- The HTF advocacy sheet was shared with the group; suggestions made to include Code Blue specific expenditures for the past two years and showing how HTF could assist; also adding a section on what the flexible funding could support that has been shown as a need in the community.
 - ii. PHA engagement
 1. Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) and FUP- Asbury Park applied for their vouchers and is waiting on approval now; over 100 referrals; 29 referred to the program; 12 issued vouchers; 7 in housing
 2. Additional Housing Authority Engagement- no update
 3. Monmouth County PHA project-based HCV initiative- Katrina was able to get approval from HUD to move forward with the project based voucher initiative; Nicole will be working on the RFP today to issue through the county soon
 - iii. Hospital Engagement
 1. Nicole reports there is a meeting this Friday; outcomes from the last meeting was discussing medically fragile seniors becoming homeless, including the creation of a respite program and exploring funding to support this.

They are also exploring using HPP to carve out a preference for seniors

d. Emergency Response

- i. Code Blue- Nicole reported the season has ended; working to compile outcomes data to share as well as finalizing all funding. Challenges continue to be medically fragile individuals as well as transportation.
- ii. Shelter updates- Jamee reports the AHA shelter has 3 open female beds, all male beds full. This is the first vacancy in the last several months. Linkages is full with 12 families on the waitlist.
- iii. Centralized Intake- Jamee reports in April 190 people came to DSS; 22 were placed through EA; 43 people are on the waitlist through EA due to lack of capacity in motels. Two of the motel vendors have shut down capacity for the summer months.

V. Federal Updates

- i. FY25 Funding Process- save the date for 5/14 at 1pm; Statewide CoC mtg to go over analysis of the 'skinny budget' proposed federally

VI. Reports

- a. Housing Navigator Agency
 - i. Q1 2025: 168 referrals received, 83 admitted, 10CH, and 75 were housed (20 of which were temporary placements). 550 remain on the waitlist at the end of Q1.
- b. PIT- Aggregate numbers should be available in next two weeks
- c. Sub-committees
 - i. Veteran's- 5 new Vets were identified in April, but 5 Vets had been housed since March as well
 - ii. Prevention- next meeting on 5/20; will go over next steps to utilizing shared data system for coordination.

VII. Agency Updates

- a. AHA received the DCA infrastructure grant and asked if any others would like to meet to coordinate implantation. Ewa, MHA, indicated her agency would. Other agencies identified: CARC, Covenant House, CSP, Triple C

VIII. Adjournment

Register in advance for this meeting:

Next Meeting – July 1st, 9am-11am

CEAS/General Membership Meeting October 7th, 10am-11:30am