**November 19, 2021**

**CoC Business Meeting Minutes**

**9:00am-10:15am**

**Zoom Virtual Meeting**

1. **Welcome and Introductions** 
   * Please sign in via the chat for attendance purposes: Name and Organization
2. **Community Resources:**
   * Project Safety Net (Please see attached brochure and community center flyer with the agenda, Presentation and Contact Information will be provided in the meeting minutes)
     1. For more information please visit: projectsafetynet.org // 631-385-2451
     2. Presenters today: Jennafer Spedaleri – Director of Grant Programs, Loida Santos – Director of Community Services, Elizabeth Kann – Director of Development, Jane Bertsch Wells – Associate Executive Director
   * Mobile Outreach and Community Center
     1. Community center is located in Patchogue
        1. Activities in 2022 – support groups, recovery programs, volunteer programs, educational workshops, health and wellness workshops, teen programs, telehealth services
        2. Located at 180 West Main Street Patchogue, NY 11772
     2. Mobile testing services (free, confidential testing/screening)
        1. HIV, HCV rapid blood test, syphilis rapid blood test, gonorrhea urine test, chlamydia urine test, HIV chemo blood confirmatory test rapid/whole blood
        2. Any person with reactive/positive results is linked to medical appointments
        3. Recovery support and health maintenance program
     3. Mobile food pantry services (supported by LI Cares and Island Harvest)
        1. Pantry hours: Monday to Friday 9AM-4:30PM
        2. Anyone is eligible for food regardless of documentation status
        3. Organizations can call to get food for their clients and community members can arrange to receive food by calling the community center
3. **CoC Funding Round/Capacity Building**

* 2021 Funding Round - CoC App/Priority Listing
  + Submitted full CoC application on 11/15; renewals/new programs/CoC planning
* 2021 NOFO Key Takeaways- PLE Participation, COVID response, PHAs/Health Systems
  + Collaboration with DV partners – new applications
  + PLE participation – involve persons with lived experience/community members input in our process
    - Community-facing education
    - Bringing more people to the table – contribute to better outcomes to the community
  + Building capacity for permanent housing
    - CoC funding round
    - This needs to be a year-round conversation in general (to develop and increase permanent housing, need to move people through our homeless system quickly)
* HOME- ARP Notice
  + Will discuss next CoC meeting
  + ICF Coach Sara has scheduled meetings with municipalities that are getting HOME-ARP funds (to start collaborating and see how those funds should be used, etc.)

1. **COVID Funding/Planning**

**-** NCDSS/SCDSS Updates? ESG-CV Updates?

**-** No updates from Nassau OTDA

**-** COVID Booster Shot Eligibility

**-** Anyone who is 18 years of age and older can get the booster shot at least 6 months after their second dose (if received Pfizer or Moderna), or at least 2 months after Johnson and Johnson

**-** Can get Pfizer or Moderna for the booster

**-** COVID Vaccine for Children Eligibility

**-** Ages 5-11 years old can get vaccinated

* + Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)
    1. NYS has spent the most funds
    2. NYS OTDA – will stop accepting applications for now, towns will still be open (Islip, Oyster bay, and Hempstead)
    3. Eviction Moratorium – January 15th (may be extended)

1. **Coordinated Entry System**

* Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Coordination
  + 450 referrals
  + 50 households between Nassau and Suffolk – issued vouchers so far
  + 1 on 1 meetings with NYS – LICH
    - Statuses on clients
  + NYS EHV Packets
    - How to do eligibility packet
    - Eligibility process
    - Calendar invite – Monday the 22nd at 10AM (please let Jessica know if you did not receive that invitation: [jlabia@addressthehomeless.org](mailto:jlabia@addressthehomeless.org)
  + Town of Brookhaven
    - 15 HH’s have been issued their vouchers
      * Working on identifying and leasing up
  + We need landlords!
    - If you know anyone that has units for rent, please reach out to us
* Coordinated Entry System (CES) Team- LICH
  + Refer a small family to a SPA vacancy (family was homeless >2 years)
  + Single male in SC move into permanent housing
  + Street homeless client referral to SPA vacancy
  + RRH referrals
    - 16 HH’s referred to RRH programs
  + 3 New Staff (Street Outreach)
    - Nassau – Steven
    - Town of Brookhaven - Matthew
    - Nassau and Suffolk – Kris
* DV CES- TSCLI
  + 79 HH’s on the DV CES list – 15 singles, 64 families (40 HH’s are literally homeless, 39 are actively fleeing)
  + Since October 15th – 4 HH’s referred to RRH programs (3 families, 1 single)
  + Employment Specialist – Placed 1 person with full time employment, 1 person with part time employment

1. **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Updates**
   * **Trainings (December)** 
     1. New User – 12/14 (1PM-4:30PM)
     2. Critical Data Elements – 12/16 (10AM-12PM)
     3. Intermediate/Reports – 12/16 (1PM-4:30PM)
   * **Trainings (January)** 
     1. New User – 12/18 (1PM-4:30PM)
     2. Intermediate/Reports – 12/19 (1PM-4:30PM)
   * HMIS Comparable Databases for VSP (victim service providers)
     1. Please contact Wayne/let him know that you are all set
   * Data Standards
     1. Released October 1st
     2. Basic changes
     3. SSVF export file – fixed
     4. RHY exports and uploads – Wayne was made aware of these issues recently
   * **HMIS Team Contact Information**
     1. Wayne Scallon
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     2. Roxzelle Bannerman-Martin
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     3. Stephanie Reed
        1. [sreed@addressthehomeless.org](mailto:sreed@addressthehomeless.org)
     4. Dan Gore
        1. [helpdesk@addressthehomeless.org](mailto:helpdesk@addressthehomeless.org)
2. **CoC Participation/Training**
   * 2022 PIT Count Adult/Youth
     1. PIT Count is scheduled for January 24th
     2. Please let Thanh know if you are interested in participating in the PIT Count: [tpham@addressthehomeless.org](mailto:tpham@addressthehomeless.org)
     3. Survey Instrument(s)
        1. Will incorporate more feedback-based questions
     4. We will have separate meetings to go over the logistics, teams, locations, and
   * Implicit Bias Training Series- under development
   * Trauma-Informed Care- Shelter from the Storm
   * Keys Conference 11/10 Recordings
     1. Working on editing and uploading recordings for participants who attended
   * Enhancing CoC Solicitation of Public Comments, Questions, and Feedback

**Links**

**CoC: Continuum of Care** [**https://www.lihomeless.org/about**](https://www.lihomeless.org/about)

**For CoC Funding Round Information (now closed but ongoing planning for 2022): Contact Greta Guarton or Mike Giuffrida at** [**gguarton@addressthehomeless.org**](mailto:gguarton@addressthehomeless.org) **or** [**mgiuffrida@addressthehomeless.org**](mailto:mgiuffrida@addressthehomeless.org)

**Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative Funding Link:** [**https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/intelligrants\_NYSGG//module/nysgg/goportal.aspx?NavItem1=4&ngoID=5001937**](https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/intelligrants_NYSGG//module/nysgg/goportal.aspx?NavItem1=4&ngoID=5001937)

**HHAP:** [**https://otda.ny.gov/contracts/2020/HHAP/**](https://otda.ny.gov/contracts/2020/HHAP/)

**HOME-ARP:** [**https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/home-arp/**](https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/home-arp/)

**NYS HOME:** [**https://hcr.ny.gov/nys-home-program**](https://hcr.ny.gov/nys-home-program)

**Medicaid Redesign/DSRIP:** [**https://www.health.ny.gov/health\_care/medicaid/redesign/**](https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/redesign/) **,** [**https://www.health.ny.gov/health\_care/medicaid/redesign/dsrip/overview.htm**](https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/redesign/dsrip/overview.htm)

**New York State Health Foundation:** [**https://nyshealthfoundation.org/rfp/2022-special-projects-fund/?gclid=Cj0KCQiAys2MBhDOARIsAFf1D1dMt8LTPKQPX-DiPXLGZJh0S4LhvohpR\_gnH2wcA0PR9R5LMYLcscIaAnAmEALw\_wcB**](https://nyshealthfoundation.org/rfp/2022-special-projects-fund/?gclid=Cj0KCQiAys2MBhDOARIsAFf1D1dMt8LTPKQPX-DiPXLGZJh0S4LhvohpR_gnH2wcA0PR9R5LMYLcscIaAnAmEALw_wcB)

**SAMSHA Funding Opportunities:** [**https://www.samhsa.gov/tloa/tap-development-resources/funding-opportunities**](https://www.samhsa.gov/tloa/tap-development-resources/funding-opportunities)

**Long Island Community Foundation:** [**https://licf.org/**](https://licf.org/)

**Recent Innovative Housing Initiative on LI:** [**https://www.innovateli.com/on-shinnecock-land-a-blueprint-for-a-national-industry/?fbclid=IwAR1Pxj4x0OmDfbAb8an1mIt6tZQYRXvrLwQd5V1KrVSlvzHTeGGzhZNyTR4**](https://www.innovateli.com/on-shinnecock-land-a-blueprint-for-a-national-industry/?fbclid=IwAR1Pxj4x0OmDfbAb8an1mIt6tZQYRXvrLwQd5V1KrVSlvzHTeGGzhZNyTR4)

**Long Island Housing Demographics, Inventory, Tenure:** [**https://rpa.org/work/reports/long-island-housing-data-profiles#overview**](https://rpa.org/work/reports/long-island-housing-data-profiles#overview)

**Long Island Housing Stock:** [**https://next.newsday.com/long-island/data/long-island-housing-stock/**](https://next.newsday.com/long-island/data/long-island-housing-stock/)

**NCDSS = Nassau County Department of Social Services** [**https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1895/Social-Services**](https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1895/Social-Services)

**SCDSS = Suffolk County Department of Social Services** [**https://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Social-Services**](https://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Social-Services)

**ERAP = Emergency Rental Assistance Program** [**https://otda.ny.gov/programs/emergency-rental-assistance/**](https://otda.ny.gov/programs/emergency-rental-assistance/)

**Learn More about Coordinated Entry:** [**https://www.lihomeless.org/coordinated-entry-faq**](https://www.lihomeless.org/coordinated-entry-faq)

**EHV = Emergency Housing Vouchers (application process closed)** [**https://www.hud.gov/EHV**](https://www.hud.gov/EHV)

**LICH = Long Island Coalition for the Homeless** [**https://www.addressthehomeless.org/**](https://www.addressthehomeless.org/)

**DV CES = Domestic Violence Coordinated Entry System** [**https://www.lihomeless.org/coordinared-entry-access**](https://www.lihomeless.org/coordinared-entry-access)

**TSCLI = The Safe Center Long Island** [**http://www.tscli.org/**](http://www.tscli.org/)

**HMIS = Homeless Management Informaiton System** [**https://www.lihomeless.org/hmis**](https://www.lihomeless.org/hmis)

**Family First:** [**https://www.familyfirstny.org/about**](https://www.familyfirstny.org/about)

**Effective Street Outreach Best Practices:** [**https://www.usich.gov/resources/uploads/asset\_library/Core-Components-of-Outreach-2019.pdf**](https://www.usich.gov/resources/uploads/asset_library/Core-Components-of-Outreach-2019.pdf)

**Effective Housing-Focused Case Management (Shelters, Street, other community partners engaging people experiencing homelessness** [**https://www.mcohio.org/FINAL\_CaseMgmtManual\_11\_2\_2015ja.pdf**](https://www.mcohio.org/FINAL_CaseMgmtManual_11_2_2015ja.pdf)

**Southern Poverty Law Center- Ten Ways to Fight Hate-** [**https://www.splcenter.org/20170814/ten-ways-fight-hate-community-response-guide**](https://www.splcenter.org/20170814/ten-ways-fight-hate-community-response-guide)