



# Blue Ridge Interagency Council on Homelessness

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## Friday, January 12, 2018

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	-	Angela Penn	-	Dani Poe	<b>P</b>	Judy Hough	-	Pamela Hall
<b>P = Present</b>	<b>P</b>	Annette Lewis	<b>P</b>	Dave Prosser	-	Kathy Beverage	-	Paula Prince
<b>- = Absent</b>	<b>P</b>	Lt. Jennings Tardy	-	David Bustamante	<b>P</b>	Keith Holland	-	Sally Putnam
	-	Ben Bristoll	-	Dawn Riddle	<b>P</b>	Lee Clark	-	Sherry Stull
	-	Bill Duncan	<b>P</b>	Debbie Brown	<b>P</b>	Leslie Leedy	-	Sheryl Walters
	-	Brian Geiser	-	Felicia Prescott	-	Lisha McCargo	-	Tamy Mann
	-	Bruce Phipps	-	Isabel Thornton	<b>P</b>	Malora Horn	<b>P</b>	Tanyia Jones
	<b>P</b>	Bryan Hill	-	Jim Weber	<b>P</b>	Matt Crookshank	<b>P</b>	Tracy Kochel
	<b>P</b>	Carly Villarreal	-	John Garland	<b>P</b>	Mike Patterson	-	Robin Salo
	<b>P</b>	Carol Tuning	<b>P</b>	Judy Cusumano	<b>P</b>	Monica Seiler	-	Pete Clark
	<b>P</b>	Dan Merenda						
<b>GUESTS</b>	<b>P</b>	Amy Shirkey						

- **Welcome and Introductions – Paula Prince, BRICH Chair**
  - Introductions by those in attendance.
- **Approval of Meeting Notes – November, 2017**
  - Lee Clark motioned to approve the November minutes; Malora Horn second the motion. Those attending approved the minutes by a verbal vote.
- **Roanoke City Schools – Homeless Student Report – Malora Horn, RCPS**
  - At the end of December, 395 students have been identified. 71 – Shelter, 29 – Hotels, 290 – Doubled up.
  - There is an increase of 50 more students than this same time last year.
  - Breakfast with Santa raised about \$13,000 for the program.
- **System Performance Report – Matt Crookshank**
  - Matt reviewed the Community Outcomes Report showing how we ranked on the metrics versus last year.
  - The average length of stay for emergency shelter is 70 days.
  - There were three exited to another shelter for non-compliance with program

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- **Emergency Solutions Grant – Keith Holland**

- A report on past ESG Expenditures with FY 2019 Comparison was distributed. Funds for FY 2019 are consistent with previous years.
- ESG applications were due Monday, January 8, 2018.
- Keith will distribute applications for review next week.

- **Other Business**

- HUD CoC funding has been approved for \$847,000; all of the renewals and Tier Two were funded.
- Annual PIT Count is January 24/25. PA students (41) will be doing street count with street outreach teams on morning of January 25. Volunteer slots are full. Two teams will be downtown and Greene Memorial will stage the early morning gathering of volunteers on January 25.
- Roanoke City's engineering department is developing a GIS street map of the homeless camp locations.
- "Housing First" video from [TedTalk](#) was shown to those in attendance.
- Malora Horn motioned to use the Housing First Model as a priority for funding recommendations for our CoC; Lee Clark second the motion.
- Annette Lewis recommended the "Housing First" video be shown to the Roanoke City Council members and also to local realtors/landlords the next time there is an opportunity for a presentation.
- Carol Tuning asked if anyone had data on the location of accessible affordable housing units.
- Matt Crookshank, CHRC, will ask landlords for assistance in identifying accessible units; or a landlord who would be able to modify a unit to make it compliant.
- Paula Prince announced the development of a Coordinated Assessment and Client Appeals Panel for clients who were not pleased with their services. The panel consists of Carol Tuning, Paula Prince, Dan Merenda or Matt Crookshank, and Tanyia Jones or Malora Horn.

- **Adjourn**

**The next meeting of the BRICH will be February 9, 2018 (1.5 hrs).**

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