

Friday, March 9, 2018

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

- **Welcome and Introductions – Paula Prince, BRICH Chair**
 - Introductions by those in attendance.
- **Approval of Meeting Notes – February, 2018**
 - Annette Lewis motioned to approve the February minutes. Those attending approved the minutes by a verbal vote.
- **Roanoke City Schools – Homeless Student Report – Malora Horn, RCPS**
 - Malora Horn was unable to attend but provided an updated report
 - There have been 480 homeless students identified during the period August 2017 through February 2018 (368 doubled up and 32 in hotels).
- **System Performance Report – Matt Crookshank**
 - Matt will attach his monthly report when the minutes are distributed.
- **Presentation of PIT Data – Matt Crookshank**
 - Data results show there were 317 total homeless individuals which is an 18.7% increase from last year. 18% of homeless were children.
 - Unsheltered homeless actually decreased this year from 17 to 11.

- Veterans increased from 32 last year to 37; 4 are chronically homeless.
 - For the survey, 144 of homeless (56.5%) agreed to participate.
 - VISPDAT score, single adult, was 5.4 (out of 17)
 - VISPDAT score, families, was 7.3 (out of 22)
 - 43% of homeless came from areas outside of our CoC service area.
 - 45% did not have health insurance; 21% went to ER 3 or more times in the last 6 months.
- **Grant Updates – Carol Tuning**
 - Carol, Dan, Matt, Jeanne McCormack, Tamy Mann have been working on the draft of the State application for DHCD State funds. It will be submitted at the end of the month.
 - Carol Tuning has submitted a letter of intent to the Foundation for Roanoke Valley for assistance with utility payments.
 - Carol is working on a VHDA Capacity Building grant for additional services for shelter programs, technical assistance and funding to assist with the summer conference.
 - Authority Cares is a project between Western Va Water Authority, United Way and Central Intake. Central Intake will screen individuals and get bills paid before cutoff. If a person comes back 2 or more times, they are asked to meet with United Way for budgeting assistance.
 - Central Intake is receiving approximately \$4,000 each month from Authority Cares.
 - **BRICH Initiatives – Landlords, Affordable Housing, Membership**
 - There was a roundtable discussion of agencies who use landlords to determine those who want to continue relationships.
 - On the CoC website, there is a link for “Project Connect” where landlords can list their properties and agencies can see what is housing units are available.
 - The April agenda will address Affordable Housing and other concerns.
 - **Other Business**
 - Red Shield Lodge will permanently close on April 30.
 - The Salvation Army’s Youth Day Center will open on June 1.
 - Community Drop-In Center for aging-out foster care youth is coming along.
 - Turning Point is increasing their services to assist trafficking survivors.
 - **Adjourn - The next meeting of the BRICH will be April 13, 2018**