**OHIO BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE**

**CoC Board Meeting**

**MEETING INFORMATION**

**Date:** Monday, March 27, 2017

**Time:** 10:00am

**Location:** Webinar and conference call

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| **Region 1** | absent | **Region 7** | absent | **Region 13** | Barb Holman |
| **Region 2** | Ragan Claypool | **Region 8** | absent | **Region 14** | absent |
| **Region 3** | absent | **Region 9** | absent | **Region 15** | absent |
| **Region 4** | Debbie Kubena-Yatsko | **Region 10** | absent | **Region 16** | Bambi Baughn |
| **Region 5** | absent | **Region 11** | Chuck Bulick | **Region 17** | Heather Thabet |
| **Region 6** | absent | **Region 12** | absent |  |  |
| **At – Large VA** | Jim Kennelly | **At-Large Youth Provider** | Fallon Kingery | **At-Large CSH** | absent |
| **At – Large DV** | Sarah Masek | **At-Large OHFA** | Kelan Craig | **At – Large OCCH** | absent |
|  |  | **At-Large Housing Authority/PSH** | Nathan Blatchley | **At-Large PSH** | Fred Berry |
| **ODSA**  | Scott Gary | **ODMHAS** | absent |
| **COHHIO** | Amanda Wilson |
| **Others in attendance (non-voting)** | Erica Mulryan/COHHIO, Barbara Miller/COHHIO, Chloe Greene/COHHIO, Cynthia Tindongan/COHHIO, Maura Klein/ODSA, Sandy Sechang/COHHIO |

**MEETING NOTES**

1. **Coordinated Entry System Standards- Approval of Updated Document**
	* + Cynthia Tindongan discussed the revisions that were made to the systems standards- these minor updates were made in response to HUD’s notice on Coordinated Entry, which was issued after the BoSCoC’s document was written and approved.
		+ Erica asked for approval of the updated Coordinated Entry System Standards:
			- Chuck Bulick made a motion to approve the document, Heather Thabet seconded the motion.
				* Vote: 14 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstained
2. **CoC Project Funding Analysis**
	* + Erica presented the *Ohio BoSCoC Ensuring Equitable Funding Levels for CoC-funded Projects* document and reminded the group that this document was introduced at previous board meetings. The document represents an initial attempt to equitably distribute CoC project funding across the BoSCoC projects.
		+ Because of an increasingly competitive CoC Competition process, the BoS needs to ensure that resources are allocated in an equitable manner, such that all projects are receiving similar levels of CoC funding relative to the number of households served
		+ Exploring this analysis may cause some projects to reallocate funding
		+ Erica asked the Board for comments on the document and support in moving forward with this analysis
			- * Board members suggesting allowing for different funding levels for voucher-based vs. site-based PSH projects, as site-based PSH will naturally have higher costs. The reason is that they should be serving higher needs folks who need things like 24 hour security/staff.
				* Board members suggested OHFA might have additional examples or be a good resource for thinking about appropriate project costs
			- Timeline: Erica said that she would like to move forward with implementing the new measures during the FY2017 competition, at least to some degree, but realizes that this may be too soon. The new measures, and grantee plans for improvement (where necessary), should be in place no later than the FY2018 competition process.
			- Several Board members expressed that adequate time should be given for projects to understand the new funding direction and to react to any changes to their program.
			- The Board supports moving forward with the analysis and the beginning of development of plans for ensuring more equitable distribution of CoC funds by project.
			- Erica will send the document to the Board again and requested feedback and suggestions. Additionally, the Steering Committee will begin conversations on reaching out to certain providers as a means to begin targeted planning
3. **RRH Ohio- Grantee Transfer**
	* Erica updated the group on the history of the RRH Ohio project and the decision by the Salvation Army to stop administering the grant this year.
	* The Salvation Army and the CoC would like to transfer the grant to another agency in time for the new grantee to apply for renewal funding during the FY2017 CoC Competition.
	* The CoC issued an RFP on March 24, 2017 for
	* If no RFP’s are submitted and/or an alternative solution can’t be identified, then the grant will be reallocated to ODSA. Reallocation process would mean that the grant would effectively terminate for up to one year while we wait for the new project to be awarded and granted.
		+ Erica indicated that she knew of at least 2 organizations that had expressed interest in submitting a proposal in response to the RFP, so CoC staff are optimistic about the transfer moving forward.
4. **Ending Veteran Homelessness Update**
	* The federal criteria and benchmarks were revised earlier this year to include long-term homelessness in the effort to end veteran homelessness – Benchmark A is now focused on ending both chronic homelessness and long-term homelessness among Veterans.
	* USICH defines long-term homelessness the same as chronic homelessness, minus the disability requirement.
	* The HMIS team is currently working on a revised veterans report that will include this data. CoC staff expect to report out on baseline benchmark data very soon.
5. **Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Application Update**
* COHHIO staff and Region 17 are currently working on plans for the project, including staffing and funding. The workgroup is currently waiting on further direction from HUD.
* A community kick-off event was held in Region 17 on March 10, 2017.

**NEXT MEETINGS**

**Date:** June 5, 2017

**Time:** 10am

**Location:** Webinar/conference call