



Racine City & County Continuum of Care (WI-502)
c/o HALO
2000 DeKoven Avenue, Unit #1
Racine, WI 53403

Homelessness and Housing Alliance of Racine County—Membership Meeting

Location: Zoom meeting link –

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82929350973?pwd=N0sxS093T1JobkVxTVVGRlFBdVUwUT09>

January 20, 2023

Present: Officers: President: Teresa Reinders (CoC), Secretary: MaryBeth Kallio (UWRC)

Membership:

Bethany Apartments

Brostowitz, Adam
Handrow, Pam

City of Racine

Brown, Brittany
Selkove, Vicky

HALO

Knott, Jeff
Taggart, Melissa

Hope Center

Metzel, Scott

Hospitality Center

Raymond, Seth

Housing and Urban Development HUD

Hackett, Claire

Institute for Community Alliances

Pritzl, Rebecca
Vazquez, Iraida

IMPACT, Inc.

Kenney, Emily

Legal Action of Wisconsin – Racine

Pappenheim, Molly
Perz, Matt

Racine CoC

Reinders, Teresa
Langdon, Darlene

Racine Dominicans

Broslavick, Chris

Racine Kenosha Community Action Center

Hunt, Nicole

Racine Revitalization Partnership

Snyder, Kathy

Racine Vocationally Ministry

Life, Lori

United Way of Racine County

Kallio, Mary Beth

WI Probation & Parole

Bauer, Laurie

Women's Resource Center

Chambers, Jori
Staufenbeil, Denise

Community Member

Adams, Nikyla

Reminders: CoC website <https://racinecoc.org> and the Homeless & Housing Alliance of Racine County email address is homelesshousingalliance@gmail.com

The meeting was called to order by Gai Lorenzen at 9:04 a.m. with welcome and introductions.

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of consent agenda with the expectation of the new business section and November 2022 Minutes. Pam approved, Melissa second.
- b. Election of Kathy Snyder from Racine Revitalization Partnership on the Leadership council Members
 - i. Start officially January 1, 2023 with a one-year term that is renewal. Pam approved and Iraida second.

Presentation: IMPACT 211 and Beyond Presented by: Emily Kenney, LCSW, Director of Systems Change, IMPACT, Inc.

The presentation is found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rqFmTQkSahw>.

IMPACT's mission is to change lives, for good.

Serving Southeastern Wisconsin for more than 60 years. IMPACT, Inc. assess and guide those experiencing personal crisis toward resources to achieve stability; and collaborate with community partners to foster system improvement.

In 1969-70 the organization started as Underground Switchboard hotline. Georgia was the first state to launch the use of 211 digits to access information on a community level. In 2000 the IMPACT, Inc. community information line began with the consolidation of five separate hotlines operated by IMPACT...precursor of 211. In 2002, 211 service began in Milwaukee County. United Ways throughout the nation operated a community 211. The United Way of Wisconsin collective support IMPACT, Inc. and other local operated United Way's 211.

In 2008 to present IMPACT, Inc. assists local Emergency Management offices with aftermath of disasters and public health emergencies including the 2010 flooding disaster in Milwaukee County and most recently the Burlington floods. In 2013, IMPACT, Inc. was used for the Emergency Housing Coordinated Entry for Milwaukee County. Most recently, IMPACT, Inc. launched IMPACT Connect.

IMPACT 211 covers nine counties in southeastern Wisconsin which includes Milwaukee, Waukesha, Kenosha, Racine, Ozaukee, Washington, Dodge, Jefferson, and Walworth counties. The help line connects people who need resources to the right agencies. Such as; assistance with food, clothing and other basic needs.

IMPACT Connect

People want a way to connect directly to resources and there is a desire to come together to address gaps in service. IMPACT Connect follows the community Information Exchange toolkit from 211 San Diego. This product is based on the health information exchanges throughout the nation. This includes a tool to screen and match client needs to community resources. A platform to communicate across agencies sectors. A process to bring agencies together for the collective impact of addressing client needs, informed by network-wide data. IMPACT, Inc. is working with United US. Core components of IMPACT Connect is network, shared language, resource database and closed-loop referrals and technology platform and data integration.

To add your organization's information and program or update information connect directly with IMPACT, Inc. resourcechange@impactinc.org.

For assistance text ZIP code to TXT-211 (898-211) and IMPACT 211 will respond promptly or directly go to <https://211wisconsin.communityos.org/> for online resources or simply call 211.

Agency/Community updates

LIFT Wisconsin

LIFT Wisconsin an online legal service provider. They offer online criminal and eviction record removal services along with assistance to resolve your specific driver's license issue. Using Legal Tune up to search the DOT's reinstatement database to find the reason for your suspension or revocation. There are tips to help with all types of driver's license problems, pay or take care of unpaid fines, reinstate your license with the DMV. This is a free service.

United Way of Racine County- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) www.unitedwayracine.org/vita
Appointments are available for the VITA services. VITA is a national program staffed by local volunteers to provide free preparation and electronic filing of tax returns.

Region 2 DCC - Laurie Bauer

Racine County has NaloxBoxes (Opioid Rescue Kits) available. The box can be mounted on the wall or can be set on a cabinet. Inside the box are a rescue mask, Narcan kit (2 doses), What To Do Next card, Quick Start Guide on how to use Narcan, and pack of small cards that has what to do in case of overdose. Doses are available to hand out or help for those entering the COP Houses. If you wish to have a box for your agency please contact 262-638-6375. The County will now include test kits with their free community Narcan trainings and will also have tests available on a walk-in basis at the Dennis Kornwolf Service Center, located at 1717 Taylor Ave. The purpose of fentanyl test strips is to allow the user to test the substance before using it to determine if fentanyl is present. For more information about the free test kits or other treatment resources, please contact the Opioid Resource Hotline at 262-638-6375. The County is also working on getting defibrillators in all the offices.

Point-in-Time PIT - Scott Metzel

The PIT count will be on January 25. Volunteers are ready to go. There are 53 people registered from 15 organizations. There are nine volunteers from the community. The registration is closed at this time.

Homelessness Forum – State of Wisconsin Health Services

The purpose of the Wisconsin Homelessness Forum is to share and discuss local, state, and federal guidance; best practice strategies; and introduce evidence-based tools to bridge the gap between homeless service systems and human service and public health systems resulting in enhanced collaboration. Forums will take place on the fourth Monday of each month, from 9–10:30 a.m.

- Monday, January 23, 2023: *De-escalating Challenges Behavior*
- Monday, February 27 Scott Metzel will present on Racine County PIT findings.

Next meeting: Friday, March 17, 2023 9:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m. MSC

Respectfully submitted,

MB Kallio