

Racine CoC Leadership Council Meeting

June 10, 2024

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of Leadership Council Meeting November 21, 2023 (Attached)
4. **Old Business**
 - 4.1. Lived Experience Participation – DEI has taken on the responsibility of moving forward in establishing the Lived Experience Advisory Board (LEA). They are in the process of investigating how other CoCs have structured lived experience participation with regard to structure and type of monetary contribution to individuals. One thing hurdle is how much money can be allocated towards gift cards or payment and what form it should take.
5. **New Business**

Motions 5.1 through 5.5 have guidance and rationale listed on page 2 of this document.

 - 5.1. **Request for a motion:** CoC Director requests that the CoC change the name of Rating & Ranking to Rating, Ranking & Evaluation **Motion and second are needed from the floor to move forward for discussion and vote.**
 - 5.2. **Request for a motion** from Rating & Ranking that the CoC adjust the yes/no questionnaire portion of our both renewal and new funding applications for CoC and any other requests reviewed by R&R. **Motion and second are needed from the floor to move forward for discussion and vote.**
 - 5.3. **Request for a motion** from Rating & Ranking to approve with regard to PSH to change the overall percentage from 80% to 30%. **Motion and second are needed from the floor to move forward for discussion and vote.**
 - 5.4. **Request for a motion** from Rating & Ranking to approve with regard to RRH to change the overall percentage from 50% to 30%. **Motion and second are needed from the floor to move forward for discussion and vote.**
 - 5.5. **Request for a motion** concerning Point-in-Time Unsheltered Count methodology as follows:

The Continuum of Care for the City and County of Racine uses and shall continue to use a point-in-time unsheltered count methodology that consists of complete coverage and a census count. Service based counts and follow-up by street outreach may take place during the seven days immediately following the night-of-count as appropriate and subject to supporting the most accurate, unduplicated unsheltered count possible. Motion and second are needed from the floor to move forward for discussion and vote.
 - 5.6. Institute for Community Alliances' Governance document previously sent to LC members. Presented by Iraida Vazquez. **Motion and second are needed from the floor to move forward for discussion and vote.**
 - 5.7. *Iraida:* PIT/HIC HDX submission
 - 5.8. *Scott* – System Performance Measures update
 - 5.9. Lead Agency: HALO has decided it is in the best interest of the agency to step back from being the lead agency/lead applicant for the CoC for all funding applications moving forward. We need to have a discussion of what this means and how we want to proceed.

Ancillary Information related to Motions in Agenda under New Business

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Rationale: most of the work completed within the R&R relates to program evaluation for meeting thresholds. While the SPM committee works closely with data, they have a wider scope, and this would be a burden to add to their work. R&R's ability to meet in between rating and ranking applications would provide a greater opportunity to fully consider projects for renewal applications. R&R and SPM are able to work together occasionally for data requests and interpretation of findings.

Motion *is needed from the floor to move forward.*

5.2. Request for a motion from Rating & Ranking that the CoC adjust the yes/no questionnaire portion of our both renewal and new funding applications for CoC and any other requests reviewed by R&R.

Rationale: Rating & Ranking believes the CoC needs to keep the questions manageable but move away from yes or no responses to questions and adding a narrative question. The change provides a focus on senior leadership and the Board of Directors. While staff are important, for this activity the group decided to focus on leadership. The original questions were reworked and placed into a chart with a matrix for scoring. See the attached minutes from the April 8, 2024, joint DEI and Rating & Ranking meeting.

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Background:

Point-in-Time (PIT) is an annual count that give the best estimate of the number of people experiencing homelessness on a single night in Racine, Wisconsin, and across the United States. The count includes people who are living in shelters, in transitional housing that has homelessness as an eligibility criterion, and people who are unsheltered. There are several recognized methodologies:

- **Census Count:** Everyone who is determined to be unsheltered on the night-of-count is counted.
- **Random Sample and Extrapolation:** A random sample of people who are unsheltered is undertaken and extrapolated to estimate the total number of people who unsheltered in the community.
- **Non-Random Sample:** A non-random sample of people who are unsheltered is undertaken and extrapolated to estimate the total number of people who unsheltered in the community.

Racine's unsheltered population is small enough that a Census Count is possible and the most accurate and Racine has always used a Census Count.

In terms of areas covered during the count, the following methodologies are recognized by the Department of Housing and Urban Development:

- **Complete Coverage:** The entire geographic area of the COC is covered.
- **Know Locations:** Only areas where people are known to be or have been unsheltered are covered.
- **Random Sample Area Counts:** Areas are selected as samples and covered.

Racine has always used a complete coverage methodology, with teams going out all across Racine County. Some excluded areas were approved in 2016 (including Wind Point, part of Sturtevant, Lake Park, etc.), meaning that Racine had a complete coverage methodology with some excluded areas. In practice, however, we have been covering those areas since at least 2018 and a simple statement that we use a complete coverage methodology would be the simplest and most accurate representation of our coverage methodology.

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- 5.6.** Request for a motion: To approve signing off on the Institute for Community Alliances' Governance document.

Rationale: This document outlines the governance structure of the agency that provides our CoC with data support through the Homelessness Management System