



Racine CoC
c/o HALO
2000 DeKoven Avenue, Unit #1
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Minutes
Leadership Council meeting
11/15/2021

Location

Meeting ID: 871 9717 5812 Passcode: 176864 Dial in: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago); +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Date: Monday, November 15, 2021

Time: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Facilitator: Teresa Reinders, CoC Director

Staff: Teresa Reinders – Racine CoC Director (Non-voting member)

Guests: Melissa Taggert – HALO; Leah Ramirez – Policy Advisor Division of Medicaid Services WDHS

- 1) Attendance/Establish Quorum ([15/2] +1=Quorum) **8** Voting members present
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| 1. Kaylee Cutler – Racine Unified School Board | 5. Liz Powell – Racine Community Foundation |
| 2. Pam Handrow Bethany Apartments/Women's Resource Center of Racine | 6. Shebria Small – SAFEA Haven of Racine |
| 3. Amy Mael – Zablocki VA Medical Center | 7. Melissa Taggert -HALO |
| 4. Scott Metzler – Hopes Center of Racine | 8. Iraida Vazquez – Institute for Community Alliances |

Absent: Barb Farrar -LGBT Center of SE Wisconsin, Michelle Gehring, NAMI, Kim Leslie – Ascension Hospital, Gai Lorenzen HALO Jacob Mauer – Racine Police Department, Ed Miller – Racine Revitalization Partnership, Carol Pagan – Community Representative,

1. Welcome Guest Leah Ramirez , Executive Policy Advisor for DHS Division of Medicaid

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1.2. <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/housing-supports.htm>

2. **Approval of:**

2.1. November agenda

2.2. August minutes

3. **Director's report**

3.1. We are in process of submitting our CoC HUD FY21 grant.

3.2. State ESG grant dropped last week and is due December 08, 2021

3.3. Working on a meeting with Housing Authority of Racine County to review criteria for Housing Choice Vouchers

3.4. **New Year goals:**

3.4.1. establishing a Discharge Committee to look into the way people are discharged from hospitals,

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incarceration facilities, foster care, and mental health facilities.

- 3.4.2. Outreach to McKinney-Vento liaisons across the county to and connect with youth agencies such as SAFE Haven to understand what is needed for serving youth and families at-risk or experiencing homelessness. This should allow for a great presence out in the County.
- 3.4.3. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion workgroup to establish at least 3 meetings to establish work projects that will strengthen our CoC and partner agencies.
- 3.4.4. Work with people with lived experience to increase role visibility and voice at the CoC and agency decision-making levels.
- 3.4.5. CoC-wide evaluation of housing availability and needs, together with analysis of funding availability and requirements to examine and where necessary, restructure housing availability to best serve our needs, e.g., more PSH, RRH, and PH

4. Old Business

- 4.1. ICA Update w/Iraida
- 4.2. WHEDA partnership and Emergency Housing Vouchers

5. New Business

- 5.1. Wisconsin HMIS Advisory Board document vote
- 5.2. HUD NOFA 2021 update
 - 5.2.1. Projects are submitted and approved there is a listing on our website.
 - 5.2.2. Rating and ranking committee team has completed their responsibilities
- 5.3. ICA update (Iraida)

- 6. Additional issues, concerns, topics
- 7. Establish next meeting date.