



# General Membership Meeting - Minutes

January 14, 2021 | 8:30-10:00 am | Meeting via Zoom

## 1. Welcome and Introductions – Monique Elton

- Monique welcomed everyone and asked them to type name and agency in the chat box to capture attendance
- “You don’t have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great.” by Zig Ziglar
- Fun Facts from the book ‘The Wonderful You’: There are 1,440 minutes in a day and 8,760 hours in a year. We need to take at least a few of them to slow down, notice and experience the little joyful things that lead to awesome happiness.

## 2. Collaborative Applicant Update

- **2021 PIT Count**
  - This year’s PIT Count is going to look very different this year
  - In the past we have been volunteer driven, last year we had almost 200 volunteers help conduct the Point in Time Count. Due to COVID unfortunately we will not be using any volunteers this year.
  - Safety is the main priority during this year’s Point in Time Count. The goal is to reduce exposure to the homeless as well as the staff that will be participating in the Point in Time.
  - We have developed three plans this year based on agency participation and COVID positivity rate increases (over 20%). If either of these things happen we will request a waiver from HUD.
  - The Count will be paperless this year through a HUD approved app called Counting Us
  - 11 community partners have signed up to participate and we have several agencies that are committed and willing to help with the count
  - The survey has been condensed down this year with only 19 questions to limit the contact for everyone’s safety
  - If you have questions or want to participate please contact Charles Temple at [ctemple@chanighomelessness.org](mailto:ctemple@chanighomelessness.org) or Laura Lane at [llane@changinghomelessness.org](mailto:llane@changinghomelessness.org)

- **Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Funding**

- Emergency Food and Shelter Program, Phase 38 applications are due Friday, January 22, 2021
- Total to be allocated to agencies is \$347,465. This spending period can be retroactive back to January 2020
- Funding broken down as follows: Prevention 60%, Hotel/Motel 25% and Shelter 15%
- We still need volunteers to sit on the grant review committee. If your agency is submitting an application you are not eligible to participate. Please email [melton@changinghomelessness.org](mailto:melton@changinghomelessness.org) if you would like to volunteer for this committee.

### 3. CoC Governance Board Update

- Governance meets monthly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 2:30 pm, all are invited
- The CoC NOFA administrated by HUD is renewing all the grants associated with that program automatically. May have additional funding for DV bonus. Changing Homelessness was recognized in the top ten of large cities we ranked #9.
- CoC Governance Board is considering new members for the board please contact [matt.galnor@myjaxchamber.com](mailto:matt.galnor@myjaxchamber.com)
- If you would like to join one of the following CoC Governance Board Committees please contact [melton@changinghomelessness.org](mailto:melton@changinghomelessness.org)
  1. Consumer Advisory
  2. Coordinated Entry
  3. HMIS Data Quality and Performance
  4. Membership
  5. Short-term Solutions
  6. Long-term Solutions
  7. Youth/Young Adult Action

### 4. Agency Announcements | Open Discussion

- We encourage you to share your information/upcoming events with Changing Homelessness so we can help socialize for you.
- HVRP announced the City of Jacksonville is still planning on holding the Veteran Stand Down, still in the process of planning the details
- Mission House – Holding virtual Cooking Class on Thursday. February 11, 2021

### 5. Adjourned

- 9:05 am

#### Attendees

- Cindy Harpman – Family Support Services
- Michael Braford – Mission House
- Gigi Follick – Gateway
- Julianne Toms – Nat’l Health Corps FL Americorps
- Carlos Laboy – MHRC
- LaShawnda Rainge – Hubbard House
- Elisa Malo – LSF
- Lequita Brooks – Dreamweek
- Barbara Jones – Family Support Services

- Darby Campa
- Sydney Arrington – Nat’l Health Corps FL Americorps
- Whitney Hilliard – DVI
- Miguel Garcia
- Jaime Davis Williams – City Rescue Mission
- Sheila Jefferson – Clara White Mission
- Cody Spencer – Sulzbacher
- Taylor Riffey – Micah’s Place
- Lou Dougherty- Ability Housing
- Natalie Marcano-Sidberry – NE FL Women Veterans
- Janice Hawkins – Sunshine Health
- Rhonda Lattimore – Jax Housing Authority
- Katrina Hamilton – Three Rivers
- Karen Thomas – PSM
- Tip Dixon
- Barbara Jones - FSS
- Creighton Archie – HVRP
- Alefia Landry
- Azain Aldor – MHRC
- Karen Tozzi – FL Health Department
- Jonathan Rosado – LSF
- Lakora Hestle – First Stop, Inc.
- Cathy Hunt – Jax Housing Authority
- Starletha Cherry
- Heather Coleman – Changing Homelessness
- Tawana Chance – Changing Homelessness
- Katie Ross - Changing Homelessness
- Dona Douth – Changing Homelessness
- Tiffany Morales – Changing Homelessness
- Vera Brown-Floyd – Changing Homelessness
- Cynthia Shields – Changing Homelessness
- Stephanie Hunt – Changing Homelessness
- Tracy Israel – Changing Homelessness
- Lindsay McVay – Changing Homelessness
- Charles Temple – Changing Homelessness
- Christina King – Changing Homelessness
- Monique Elton – Changing Homelessness