



## General Membership Meeting - Minutes

February 11, 2021 | 8:30-10:00 am | Meeting via Zoom

### 1. Welcome and Introductions – Dawn Gilman

- Dawn welcomed everyone and asked them to type name and agency in the chat box to capture attendance
- “I think a hero is any person really intent on making this a better place for all people.” by Maya Angelou
- Monique wanted to thank all of the partners that are involved with the Pathway to Homes Project it takes a courageous staff to embark on such an endeavor; the partners involved are MHRC, Sulzbacher, Changing Homelessness, Trinity Rescue Mission, Clara White Mission, City Rescue Mission, JTA, Downtown Vision and the City of Jacksonville.

### 2. Collaborative Applicant Update

- **Pathway to Home Project**
  - Union and Jefferson Street has become a hotspot for homeless individuals to gather
  - The City in partnership with Changing Homelessness and several other partners are working together to assist our neighbors experiencing homelessness
  - We have been moving medically vulnerable folks off the street into hotels since April 2020
  - Our community received ESG-CV dollars in September 2020
  - After six weeks of outreach in that specific area the partners made the decision to offer shelter to everyone who met the criteria of a person living on the streets and has one of the underlying medical conditions
  - The teams were able to house 48 of the 52 people that had previously been identified. The Hope and Path teams are continuing to look for the other 9 folks
  - JTA assisted with transportation
  - If you have clients that are asking about the Pathway to Home, please make sure they get registered into coordinated entry with MHRC. Currently, we have reached capacity

- **2021 PIT Count – Preliminary Data**

- This year’s PIT Count looked different than ever before
- Last year we had almost 200 volunteers help conduct the Point in Time Count. Due to COVID unfortunately we were not able to use any volunteers this year.
- The 2021 Point in Time Count took place over the course of 3 days (January 26 - 28) and focused primarily on unsheltered homelessness
- Outreach teams and shelter workers conducted the count utilizing the HUD approved Counting Us app
- A total of 201 people were identified
  1. 85% were male
  2. 6 were young adults (under 25)
  3. 21 were veterans
  4. 100 people were on streets or sidewalks
  5. 35 people were in an outdoor encampment
  6. 22 people were under a bridge or overpass
- 10 individuals that were identified as the most vulnerable, 3 agencies coordinated plans to assist with move in immediately
- If you have questions or want to learn more information 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 – 14 Awardees**

1. Jewish Family and Community Services - Rent/Mortgage, Utilities, Other Food - \$36,000.00
2. City Rescue Mission - Served Meals - \$33,795.00
3. Catholic Charities - Other Food, Rent/Mortgage - \$47,069.00
4. Salvation Army - Other Food, Mass Shelter - \$15,751.00
5. Sulzbacher Center - Other Shelter - \$43,914.00
6. Five Star Veterans, Inc. - Served Meals, Mass Shelter - \$43,554.00
7. Lutheran Social Services - Other Food - \$24,000.00
8. Episcopal Children's Services - Served Meals - \$25,500.00
9. Clara White Mission - Served Meals - \$10,200.00
10. City of Jacksonville, Military Affairs Veterans Department - Rent/Mortgage, Utilities - \$13,500.00
11. Hubbard House - Mass Shelter - \$23,400.00
12. Trinity Rescue Mission - Served Meals, Mass Shelter - \$25,987.00
13. Youth Crisis Center - Served Meals, Mass Shelter - \$4,995.00
14. Changing Homelessness, Inc. – Administration - \$6,891.00

**Total Awarded to LRO's                    \$354,556.00**

### **3. CoC Governance Board Update**

- Governance meets monthly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 2:30 pm, all are invited
- 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 [info@changinghomelessness.org](mailto:info@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

- Catherine Philmon asked Dawn if there was a way to meet with the community activist leaders to give them some insight about what we are doing and how we can work together within the system. Dawn replied she would contact Catherine the next day to talk about a strategy. Dawn mentioned that the shelters are doing their best to practice social distancing
- We encourage you to share your information/upcoming events with Changing Homelessness so we can help socialize for you.
- Mission House – Cocktails and Tasting Fundraiser: Healthy Heart Dinner, February 11 from 6pm until 7pm
- Family Support Services – Breakfast Learning Series, February 17 from 9:00 am until 10:30 am
- Youth Crisis Center - Hayden Hurst Family Foundation Golf Tournament at Deercreek Country Club on February 22, 2021
- Jasmyn – Save the Date for the 10<sup>th</sup> annual 5K, April 24, 2021
- City Rescue Mission – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Difference Makers Banquet, May 6, 2021 Southbank Hotel Jacksonville Riverfront

#### 5. Adjourned

- 9:15 am

#### Attendees

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| • Cindy Harpman – Family Support Services             | • Sheila Jefferson – Clara White Mission          |
| • Michael Braford – Mission House                     | • Cody Spencer – Sulzbacher                       |
| • Gigi Follick – Gateway                              | • Taylor Riffey – Micah’s Place                   |
| • Julianne Toms – Nat’l Health Corps FL Americorps    | • Lou Dougherty- Ability Housing                  |
| • Carlos Laboy – MHRC                                 | • Natalie Marcano-Sidberry – NE FL Women Veterans |
| • LaShawnda Rainge – Hubbard House                    | • Janice Hawkins – Sunshine Health                |
| • Elisa Malo – LSF                                    | • Rhonda Lattimore – Jax Housing Authority        |
| • Lequita Brooks – Dreamweek                          | • Katrina Hamilton – Three Rivers                 |
| • Barbara Jones – Family Support Services             | • Karen Thomas – PSM                              |
| • Darby Campa   | • Tip Dixon                                       |
| • Sydney Arrington – Nat’l Health Corps FL Americorps | • Barbara Jones - FSS                             |
| • Whitney Hilliard – DVI                              | • Creighton Archie – HVRP                         |
| • Miguel Garcia                                       | • Alefia Landry                                   |
| • Jaime Davis Williams – City Rescue Mission          | • 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 Doutt – 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
- Dawn Gilman – Changing Homelessness
- Monique Elton – Changing Homelessness