

Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2018

The New River Valley Housing Partnership met on January 19, 2018, at the Women's Resource Center of the New River Valley's administrative office in Radford, Virginia. The meeting was called to order by Carol Johnson, Chairperson at 10:00 am.

Name	Agency
Ann Angert	NRCA
Gabe Martin	RRAO
Sharon Edwards	NRCA
Aldith Ellis	TAP
Carol Johnson	NRFS/TOH
Mary Beth Pulsifer	WRC
Michele Van Dyke	DVS: VA Veteran
Tanyia Jones	Salem VAMC
Erika Lawhorn	VVFS
Pat Brown	WRC
Ryan Martin	NRCA
Melissa Skelton	City of Radford
Wendy Schleich	CHP
Ellen Stewart	Town of Blacksburg
Miranda Keith	Montgomery County Public Schools Counselor
Aline Brinckman	Project HOPE
Bethany Panek	WRC

- 1) Announcements-The VI-SPDAT does not have to be completed at the first visit. It does not have to be completed until a rapport has been between been established between the client and the housing counselor. The Prevention tool as provided in October 2017 has been approved. The To Our House emergency/winter shelter that serves men is averaging six to eight people a night right now.
- 2) Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes were approved with noted revision.
- 3) Standing Committee Reports
 - a. Steering Committee- There is nothing to report.
 - b. HMIS and Data- They have not met.
 - c. Coordinated Assessment- While the Women's Resource Center has offered 24/7 access to shelter for those shelter for those fleeing domestic violence a similar resource has not been offered to persons who are homeless in the NRV. Carol Johnson has been meeting with the Virginia DHCD (Department of Housing and Community Development) and discussing the 24/7 access hotline in the New River Valley. NRCA's staff provided a proposal to its board to provide this service. A conversation centered around how homeless persons would access the hotline took place.
 - d. Service Coordination- Mary Beth has not been contacted.
 - e. Monitoring/Selection- There is nothing to report.

- 4) Special Committees
 - a. Landlord Recruitment and Retention Committee Bethany Panek expressed concern about not hearing back from the committee members. The next meeting is scheduled for late January.
 - b. Veteran Homeless Reports- There were no homeless veterans and no completion of VI-SPDATS. Aldith said that she housed one veteran in January and that she housed the homeless veteran and his wife in one house and the other six previously homeless members of his family in a house right next to them.
 - c. PITC- The Point-in-Time count will be conducted on the night of Wednesday, January 24, 2018. Instead of sending out the Housing Inventory Count will be completed via Andria Ukrop contacting each LPG. Sharon Edwards and Aline Brinckman arranged to visit a family living at Claytor Lake State Park.
- 5) Re-Entry Council Update- While the council had received a grant to help homeless persons pay one to two months rent they still need to recruit landlords to participate.
- 6) New Business- Ellen Stewart shared that a facility has been developed for assisted living. Ellen Stewart is looking for partners to reconsider how to reuse a 23 room single occupancy assisted living facility.
- 7) Other Business
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