



Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Mon. March 18, 2019, 6-7:30 p.m.

Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, 104 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill

Attendance: Nate Broman-Fulks, Christy Croft, Kathleen Ferguson, Sally Greene, Sherrill Hampton, Chinita Howard, Jackie Jenks, Katie Loovis, Nancy Oates, Harrison Pierce, Will Quick, Sharon Reese, Corey Root, Beth Schehl, Diiv Sternman, Eric Wolak, Katie Wright

Sharing /agency updates

- Kathleen Ferguson recommends [The Color of Money](#), a movie about financing and getting folks out of poverty
- UNC Medical Center adopted the Orange County Living Wage of \$15/hour for all employees starting July 2019
- Beth Schehl recommended the [New York Times piece by Matthew Desmond](#), author of *Evicted* on increasing the minimum wage

OCPEH Updates

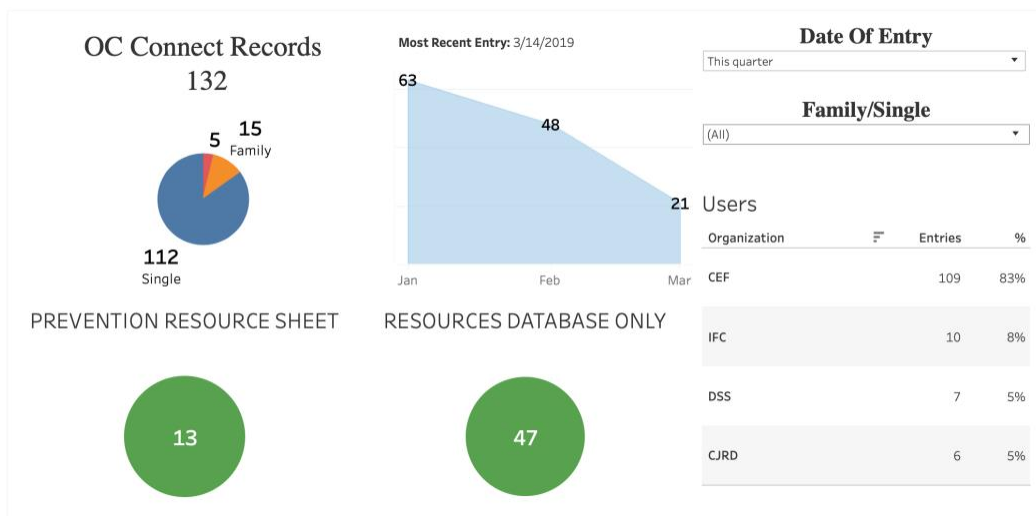
- Orange County continues the process to transition to a new Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) database, along with Durham County and 79 Counties in the Balance of State Continuum of Care (CoC). Orange County is able to comply with all federal reporting requirements during the transition.
- The State Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) office staff from the North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness (NCCEH) will attend the April Leadership Team meeting. This will be an opportunity to give them feedback on the defunding of Rapid Rehousing, the number one prioritized gap on the Gaps Analysis, and show the implications that has in Orange County
- Upcoming Events
 - Charity vs. Justice Community Workshop, Mon. March 25, 5:30-7:30pm, Carrboro Century Center
 - Orange County Human Relations Community Read of *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond events will be Wed. April 3, 6-7:30pm at Southern Human Services Center (2501 Homestead Rd in Chapel Hill) and Wed. April 24, 6-7:30pm, Whitted Building (300 W Tryon St in Hillsborough)
 - North Carolina Human Trafficking Education Seminar will be April 16-17 in Hillsborough
 - Homelessness 101, Wed. April 24, 3:30-5pm, Seymour Center, Chapel Hill
 - Homelessness 201, Wed. May 1, 3:30-5pm, Seymour Center, Chapel Hill
 - State Homeless Conference will be May 21-22 in Raleigh
 - Self-Care sessions scheduled through June, full schedule on the Partnership website - ocpehnc.com/self-care

February Minutes

A motion was made to approve the February 18 [Greene, Hampton] all in favor, none opposed.

Review of Homeless System Data Dashboard

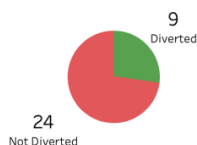
In the last three months, 132 households presented for services – 15 families and 122 singles. Of the 132, 13 folks were given prevention resources and 12 were given the resource database (some overlap possible between these numbers). 83% of entry assessments were done at CEF, 8% at IFC, 5% at DSS, and 5% at CJRD.



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DIVERSION RESULT



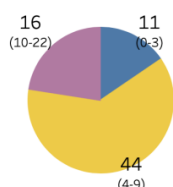
Diversion Assistance

Funds Needed	\$2,362
Funds Provided	\$2,863
Mediation Needed	2
Mediation Provided	2

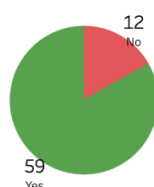
VI-SPDATS



VI-SPDAT Scores



Consent Signed



Staff at these agencies completed 33 diversions from homelessness, of those 9 (27%) were successful. These households needed \$2,362 and 2 mediations. In program referral, service providers started 73 assessments and completed 71. Of those, 16 scored in the high service need range, 44 in the middle service need range, and 11 in the low range. 59 consents were signed - 45 for people living unsheltered and 14 sheltered.

The Coordinated Entry planning group continues to work on referral data and improve data quality for the dashboard. Leadership Team members would like to see shelter referrals broken down between IFC Community House serving single men and IFC HomeStart, serving women and families.

System Exits

The HOME list is the longest it has ever been, ending with 117 households on the list. This is in part because of the current system, gaps of having a fully funded, best practice Rapid Rehousing program, which would serve the vast majority of these people. 9 people from the HOME list have been housed year to date.

Month	Beginning count	Returned from Inactive	Returned from housed	Newly ID'ed	Exited to housing	Moved to Inactive	Ending count	Housed YTD
Jan-18	64	0	0	5	7	0	57	7
Jan-18	61	1	0	3	1	4	56	8
Feb-18	80	1	0	23	4	7	69	12
Mar-18	78	1	0	8	2	5	71	14
Apr-18	81	0	0	10	2	6	73	16
May-18	83	0	0	10	5	8	70	21
Jun-18	84	0	0	14	4	5	75	25
Jul-18	78	0	0	3	3	6	69	28
Aug-18	76	0	0	7	4	1	71	32
Sep-18	79	0	0	8	5*	1	73	36
Oct-18	82	1	0	8	2	4	76	38
Dec-18	101	3	0	22	9	8	84	47
Jan-19	105	0	2	19	4	6	95	4
Jan-19	112	0	1	16	3	2	107	7
Feb-19	128	0	1	20	2	9	117	9

Gap of the Month: Drop-In Day Center with Integrated Services

The third prioritized gap in the Orange County homeless service system is a drop-in day center to connect people experiencing homelessness with many different services -- from laundry, lockers, showers, and places to store medicine, to mental health services and housing connections. Currently in Orange County, people in housing crisis have to go to many different locations get services. This is difficult, especially for people without transportation, or who may be struggling with physical and/or mental illness. Other communities have found that people are better able to access housing and services if they are co-located.

The Orange Community Hub at CEF has the Orange Community Hub is currently partially filling this gap – in addition to CEF member services, staff from Freedom House, the Veterans Administration, Legal Aid, and more (40 organizations total) have used CEF offices to meet with clients. The new IFC building in Carrboro (scheduled to open in 2020) will have least one shower, clothing vouchers/transportation assistance, lockers and additional office space to host other providers. IFC is open to partnering with laundromats for laundry services.

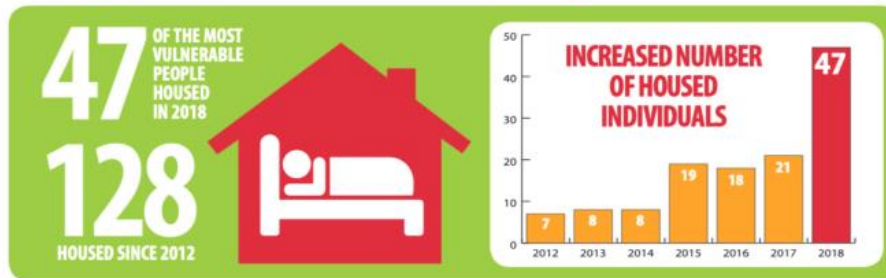
The cost for filling the gap looks different depending on the proposed solution. The cost of up-fitting CEF or IFC is much less than building a freestanding building. Funding is also needed for administration of this program. If this gap were filled, there would be shorter overall lengths of time homeless because folks would be able to connect faster and more efficiently, decrease in number experiencing homelessness, increase in overall employment with access to showers to keep jobs, and increase exits to housing with everything located in one place.

A Drop-In Day Center, called Oak City Cares, will open soon in Raleigh. If Leadership Team members would like to join the Coordinator for a tour of this facility, she will arrange a trip later this spring.

2018 OCPEH Report

The 2018 annual report goes over the activities of the Partnership last year. Through the HOME committee process, service providers housed 47 folks last year, which is more than double any previous year. In other

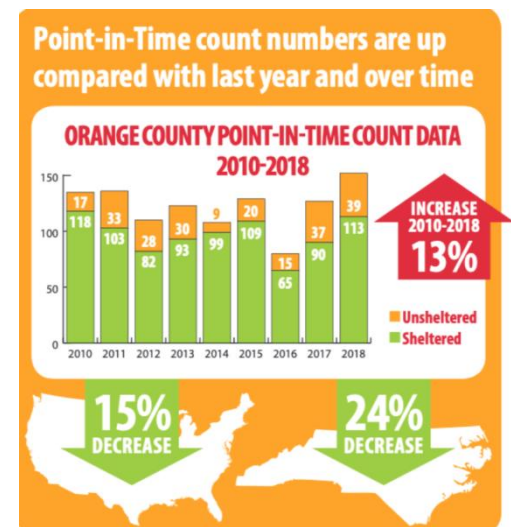
good news, Orange County has decreased chronic homelessness by 50% from 2010 to 2018. The Partnership also secured \$724,300 in federal funding for homeless services in Orange County in 2018 through the Continuum of Care (CoC) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) competitions.



In less positive developments, the overall number of people experiencing homelessness has increased 13% since 2010. During that same time period, this number decreased 15% nationwide and decreased by almost a quarter, 24%, in North Carolina. These decreases are not a fluke – data and research show exactly what communities need to do to end homelessness. The Partnership has incorporated this information in to the [Homeless Systems Gaps Analysis](#) – if we fill our gaps, we can end homelessness in Orange County.

Leadership Team Membership

The Leadership Team currently has 24 members and can have up to 25 members per the [OCPEH Governance Charter](#). Two people have applied to join the Leadership Team, in addition we have the pool of alternate members formed when the Leadership Team voted on the 2019 slate of members in December.



A motion was made to add Giovanna Mollinedo as the 25th member of the Leadership Team [Quick, Howard] All in favor, none opposed.

Leadership Team members would like to add Megan Johnson to the 2019 pool of Leadership Team alternates.

The agenda item of the Revised 2019-2020 Plan to End Homelessness will be moved to the April 15th Meeting.