

Eaton County Human Services Collaborative Council
Continuum of Care Electronic Remote Access Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 14, 2021

Members in Attendance:

Tedda Hughes – ECFC and CCRESA, Christie Harry – HSMM, Melissa Cummings – Peckham, Claudine Williams – Eaton County Community Development, Sophia Estrada-Ferreira – CFC Gateway, Barbara Rogers – Eaton County Commissioner, Jacqueline Washington – DHHS, Kalli Dempsey – Sparrow Eaton and ECH, Andrea Manchip – ECCC, Jessica Beckman – Disability Network, Cecilia Rush – VA, Emily O'Brien – Salvation Army, Bridgett Flynn – HSMM, Jeff Keener – CACS, Allison Green – MCAH, Edwin Taylor – PATH, Kaitlyn Fales – SIREN, Frankie Stringer – EVE, Kaity Hemgesberg – MCAH, Thelmo Torrealba – VA, and Brittni Templeton – LSSSM.

1. **Call to order and Introductions.** Meeting called to order by Tedda Hughes at 10:30 a.m.
2. **Establishment of the Agenda.** Barbara Rogers moved to approve agenda. Motion supported and carried.
3. **Approval of the Minutes.** Kalli Dempsey moved to approve the May 14, 2021, meeting minutes. Motion supported and carried.
4. **Standing Committee Reports:**

a. HARA Update - HSMM

Housing Choice Vouchers: 9 new names were added, 0 were recertified and 0 removed for a total of 5.

Public Housing Tax Credits: 0 new names added, 0 were recertified and 0 were removed for a total of 0 persons on the waiting list.

Coordinated Entry: Total grant amount of \$24,000. First month's rent spent \$0, follow up support services \$0 funds remaining \$0. *Funds end May 31, 2021.* Christie noted this grant has just ended and will started over again on June 1.

CoC HMIS grant amount \$18,000. Funds spent \$0, funds remaining \$0. *Funds end May 31, 2021.* Christie noted this grant has just ended and will started over again on June 1.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Rehousing: Total grant amount \$15,000. Households served 0, funds spent \$0, funds remaining \$0. *Funds end September 30, 2021.*

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Prevention: Total grant amount \$15,000. Households served 0, funds spent \$0, funds remaining \$0. *Funds end September 30, 2021.*

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) CARES Rehousing: Total grant amount \$96,654. Households served 11, funds spent \$9,421, funds remaining \$54,521. *CARES Funds end September 30, 2022.*

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) CARES Prevention: Total grant amount \$174,019. Households served 1, funds spent \$815, funds remaining \$72,066. *CARES Funds end September 30, 2022.*

Covid Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA): Total grant amount \$1,993,870. Households served 47, funds spent \$306,000, funds remaining \$1,362,237. *Funds end Dec 31, 2021* Christie noted 65% of these funds need to be spent by September 30.

Emergency Food and Shelter: Total grant amount \$102,093. Households paid on 6, funds spent \$2,926, funds remaining \$82,194. *Funds end September 30, 2021.*

PSH Total grant amount \$201,015. Filled 22; Adults 27; 18 Children . Funds spent \$18,320, funds remaining \$4,774. *Funds end June 30, 2021.* Christie said this program is in its last month. She explained client services money will be used to pay the last month final bills.

Rapid Re-housing (RR): Total grant amount \$102,954. Households served 12, funds spent \$9,060, funds remaining \$10,407. *Funds end September 30, 2021.*

PATH: Edwin Taylor reported during the month of May they spoke to 10 people. Some scheduled appointments, others just wanted shelter information.

b. SHELTER Update – SIREN/Eaton

ESG - CV Round 2 Motel nights: Total grant amount \$28,200. Funds spent \$5,860.37, funds remaining \$19,044.17, number of households served 13. *Funds end September 30, 2021.*

ESG Shelter nights in scattered sites: Total grant amount \$42,537. Households served 9, funds spent \$4,280, funds remaining \$8,422. *Funds end September 30, 2021.*

ESP Shelter Total: Total grant amount \$139,698. Households served 9, funds spent \$16,740, funds remaining \$17,208. *Funds end September 30, 2021.*

ESP Motel nights: Total grant amount \$26,640. Households served 6, funds spent \$7,473.73, funds remaining \$1,992.73. *Funds end September 30, 2021.*

DV Rapid Re-housing (DVRR): Total grant amount \$54,404. Households served 1, funds spent \$0, funds remaining \$9,224. *Funds ended June 30, 2021.* Kaitlyn noted one HQS inspection was being conducted this week and 2 households are currently searching for rental units.

Transitional Housing/Rapid Re-housing (TH/RR): Total grant amount \$252,622. Households served 6, funds spent \$0, funds remaining \$41,908. *Funds ended June 30, 2021.* Kaitlyn noted 3 households rental applications were denied last week.

Kaitlyn reported the SIREN Board of Directors approved submitting one final eLOCCS voucher combining May and June expenditures for both TH/RR and DVRR projects. Information given for both of those programs is thru April only.

c. Peckham (I-EARN) Immediate Employment and skills training: Total grant amount \$132,724. Clients served 28, funds spent \$9,326.17, funds remaining \$10,622.08. *Funds ended July 31, 2021.*

d. Steering/Strategy/Grants: Christie Harry reported the committee discussed Veteran Homelessness, and the CoC Planning Grant budget. She explained what the Planning Grant money is used for. She said it starts over June 1, so they are working on getting all of the remaining money spent by the end of May. Christie said they discussed CARES funding as well and noted it was an agenda item under New Business later in the meeting.

e. Bylaws/Public Relations: No report.

f. McKinney Vento Liaison: Tedda Hughes reported there are approximately 257 homeless students in Eaton County. Charlotte 159, Eaton Rapids 30, Grand Ledge 16, Insight School of Michigan 36, Island City less than 10, Maple Valley less than 10, Meadowview less than 10, Oneida Twp less than 10, Pottersville less than 10, and Relevant Academy 16.

g. HMIS: Kaity Hemgesberg reported there are fewer people in transitional housing because they are in rapid rehousing instead. She said HIC includes all available beds and that HUD looks for utilization rates from 84 to 105 percent. She said we are at 91 and 103 percent for everything except TH which was 25 percent because of fewer beds (there are only 8 beds total). Kaity does not know what kind of effect this will have. See reports below.

Date of Count	Sheltered ES Total Persons	Sheltered TH Total Persons	Sheltered SH Total Persons	Unsheltered Total Persons	Total Persons	Status of Report
01/26/2021	46	37	0	0	83	Submitted
01/28/2020	45	65	0	1	111	Confirmed
01/31/2019	39	75	0	0	114	Confirmed
01/22/2018	40	77	0	5	122	Confirmed
01/23/2017	32	69	0	6	107	Confirmed
01/25/2016	29	82	0	9	120	Confirmed

Click here to sort			Beds HH w/ Children	Units HH w/ Children	Beds HH w/o Children	Beds HH w/ only Children	Year-Round Beds	Total Seasonal Beds	Overflow Beds	PIT Count	Total Beds	Utilization Rate
Type	Organization Name	Project Name										
RRH	Housing Services Mid Michigan	HSEC - Eaton - HARA Rapid Rehousing	4	1	3	0	7			7	7	100%
PSH	Housing Services Mid Michigan	HSEC-Eaton-MI HEART PSH-HUD	37	13	11	0	48			48	48	100%
RRH	Housing Services Mid Michigan	HSMM - Eaton - RRH - State ESG-CV	7	2	2	0	9			9	9	100%
RRH	Housing Services Mid Michigan	HSMM- Eaton - Rapid Rehousing - HUD	24	8	0	0	24			24	24	100%
ES	SIREN DV	SIREN DV ES	11	5	0	0	11	0	0	10	11	91%
RRH	SIREN DV	SIREN DV Shell RRH - Eaton CoC	10	4	0	0	10			10	10	100%
TH	SIREN DV	SIREN/Eaton Shelter DV-TH Shell	35	9	0	0	35			35	35	100%
ES	SIREN/Eaton Shelter	MDHHS - SIREN/Eaton Shelter Homeless Emergency Shelter - MSHDA ESG (DHS) ESP	31	8	0	0	31	0	0	32	31	103%
ES	SIREN/Eaton Shelter	MDHHS - SIREN/Eaton Shelter Hotel/Motel - MSHDA ESG (DHS) ESP	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	100%
RRH	SIREN/Eaton Shelter	SIREN/Eaton Shelter - Eaton CoC- Rapid Rehousing (TH-RR) - HUD	12	3	0	0	12			12	12	100%
TH	SIREN/Eaton Shelter	SIREN/Eaton Shelter - Transitional Housing - HUD	8	2	0	0	8			2	8	25%
ES	SIREN/Eaton Shelter	SIREN/Eaton Shelter DV-ES Motel Shell	0	0	3	0	3			3	3	100%
RRH	VOA - Eaton CoC - Veteran's Housing Program	VOA - Eaton CoC - SSVF - RRH	0	0	1	0	1			1	1	100%
			Sum : 179	Sum : 55	Sum : 21	Sum : 0	Sum : 200	Sum : 0	Sum : 0	Sum : 194		

- h. **Veteran Homeless Count:** No report was given. Thelmo Torrealba announced there are 7 or 8 HUD VASH vouchers available and there currently is no waiting list.
- i. **211 Report:** No report.
- j. **Gateway:** Sophia Estrada-Ferriera reported Gateway is in a transition phase and are doing a lot of hiring right now. She said they have received a lot of calls now that school is out for year.
- k. **Legal Services:** Brittni Templeton reported they had 16 new intakes in May. She noted it was a slower month as one judge was out. She said they have already noticed an increased this week. Brittni said they have accepted 12 and all but 2 are going through the CERA program.
- l. **Project Connect:** Tedda Hughes announced the Back to School event will be August 5, 6, and 7 with the Project Connect event being held on August 5. She noted the mobile health clinic is scheduled for August 5 as well. Planning is going well and they believe this will be a very robust event.

5. **Old Business:** none.

6. **New Business:**

- a. Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) – Christie Harry explained these vouchers are very similar to Housing Choice Vouchers with a little looser qualifications. A client can be at risk of being homeless and does not actually have to be homeless. She said the Eaton County CoC has been awarded 5 vouchers. The program will be rolled out July 1, and she assumes the housing agent will be Becca Management. She added a lead housing agency will also need to be selected. The

CoC Secretary, Claudine Williams, sent out an e-mail requesting those interested to notify her, no responses were received. Christie said HSMM would be willing to administer these vouchers. Claudine Williams moved to assign HSMM as the lead agency for administration of the EHV. Motion was supported and carried. Christie Harry from HSMM abstained from the vote.

- b. ESG CARES Funding – Christie Harry explained HSMM is getting a lot of pressure from MSHDA to spend 80% of this funding by the end of March 2022. She said we have already spent over 30%, however, we are spending at a much lower rate now. Christie asked everyone to please refer clients to this program. She said HSMM has funding they may not spend if any other agency may be able to spend a little more.

7. Agency Announcements/Updates were given.

8. Establishment of next meeting: July 12, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

9. Meeting Adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Claudine Williams