

**Macomb Continuum of Care (CoC) General  
Membership Meeting Minutes In Person Meeting  
VerKuilen Building with call-in option.**

**March 13, 2024 at 9 a.m.**

**Meeting Minutes**

<b>Attendance</b>		
Jackie Chace, Macomb ISD Melissa Colemay, Turning Point Amy Labuhn, Community First Health Centers Major Barb Owen, The Salvation Army Tameria Baker, Macomb County Health Department Taylor Eberhart, CHN Kayleigh Sheehan, CHN Connie Lasher, CHN/CMH Heather VanDenburg, MCREST Cecilia Gaglio, MCA Julie Hintz, MCA Vickie Wolber, Macomb County Executive Office Cassie Werth, Easterseals MORC Kristin DeFranco, MCA Lindsey Keesling, FYI Karan Bates Gasior, Hearts 4 Homes Kara Black, Perfect CDC Megan Vinyard, Macomb Community College Daija Butler, Macomb County HCS Lisa Chapman, MCAH Liz Sergent, MCA Julia Bingham, Macomb County HCS Andrew Cox, Macomb County HCS Sue Ostosh, Harvest Time	Brittany Mohr, Macomb County Clay Bell, The Salvation Army Shelley Brinkmann, CHN Sarah Gilstorf, Community First Health Centers Holly Galan, MCA Kathleen English, HFHM Rebecca Tallarigo, MDHHS Katherine Kondek, Lakeshore Legal Aid Hannah Patton, MCAH D'Asia McDonald, Olhsa Shawna Reynolds, CHN Gisele Pool, CHN Zienab Fans, MSHDA Monisha Scott, Detroit VAMC Kimberly Diggan, CHN Melvenna Fant-Jones, Women Healing Eternally and Transforming Takisha Jones, The Salvation Army J Doolan	
<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>DECISION/ACTION</b>
1. Meeting Called to Order	Julie Hintz called meeting to order at 9:03am.	
2. Introductions	Introductions.	

3. Approval of the agenda	Connie Lasher motioned to approve agenda. Heather VanDenburg seconded.	Motion approved.
4. Approval of January minutes	Connie Lasher made motion to approve minutes. Lisa Chapman seconded. All were in favor, no opposed.	Motion Approved
6. President Updates	<p>a) Election Results – At January CoC Membership meeting, held elections. Julie Hintz listed updated Board Roster. Sharman Davenport was elected as new Vice President after Heather VanDenburg’s term was up.</p> <p><b>Elected to the CoC Board for a 2-year term</b>  Lisa Chapman – Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness (MCAH)  Heather VanDenburg – MCREST  Sharman Davenport – Turning Point  Shelley Brinkmann – Community Housing Network  Megan Vinyard – Macomb Community College  Daija Butler – Macomb County Health and Community Services  Tamir Newton – Motor City Mitten Mission, individual with lived experience of homelessness</p> <p>b) Presentation by Vicki Wolber, Health and Community Services, MCAT, the County's Anti-Human Trafficking Group brings awareness to human trafficking. It is not a response agency, they coordinate and collaborate with task force. Their goal is to support those entities and provide outreach, and provide gaps to law enforcement or service providers. There is also a steering committee and 3 sub-committees. If interested, can become a member (affiliate with general information, criminal justice sub-committee (need to be directly involved in law enforcement), education committee, and have a services to traffic persons committee). Recent initiatives: made gains with service organizations and law enforcement, hosted a joint law enforcement and committee meeting. Recent sting. Website has information on human trafficking, contact numbers. If someone is staying at the</p>	

jail, there is a tablet system with information on human trafficking, and has a question that pops up asking if they believe they are a victim of human trafficking. 12 inmates think they have been trafficked. There is an awareness training available for any group/organization and provide what it is, tips what to look for, if interested in training we can provide. Offered Trauma Informed Care training next week and other training doing it, experts from U of M. If anyone interested, email her. [MCAT@macombgov.org](mailto:MCAT@macombgov.org). Vicki passed out handouts. MCAT would like to increase membership and make sure we get information out in the community. MCAT is interested in partnering with agencies.

- c) Presentation on Padmission from CHN, Kayleigh Sheehan. Padmission is a housing locator, similar to Zillow but for housing programs only. Housing agencies would recruit landlords and they can put their information into the system. They can advertise specific information, participants go directly through app, case manager, or website to view available properties. Participants can link to landlord so they can fill out applications through website. Handout were passed out and will be emailed. Padmission can show participant usage, landlord usage, and metrics it tracks. It is a website that would have to be purchased. Other CoC's in other states are using it. Cost varies depending on area. If everyone interested, then CEO told Kayleigh it would be about \$15,000 for Oakland County. CoC would administer it, then gives out logins. Landlord would get an email once a month asking if anything changed. We as community would need to invite landlords to website. There is a backend where you can make notes. There is no cost for landlords to list their property. Andrew Cox said will bring this information and quote back to steering committee to see if we can use RHP Funding, will explore, can't promise. CoC Landlord Engagement

	<p>Committee will take on lead.</p> <p><b>d)</b> CHIP Workgroup: Built Environment/SDOH - Tameria Baker, Community Health Planner, Macomb County Health Department – Community Health Improvement Plan developed advisory committee identified goals and objectives from community health assessment survey. Some goals the committee wants to work on is access to healthy foods and housing. Main goal is to target and increase safe and equitable housing. Assisting with outreach. Handout will be emailed. Workgroup meets once a month, discussing different strategies and how your organization can help these goals or already helps. If already doing it, workgroup can help with engagement. Looking for additional members to join group, email <a href="mailto:tameria.baker@macombgov.org">tameria.baker@macombgov.org</a>.</p> <p><b>e)</b> Reminder of all agencies – if you have information that you want to share to CoC group, send to either Julie, Cecilia, Sharman, or Lisa. Feel free to use that to get information out. Send events to Cecilia to be uploaded to CoC website.</p>	
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<p>7. Operations Update from Lead CoC Agency</p>	<p><b>a)</b> FY 2023 NOFO competition scoring / DV bonus scoring – Earliest will start 10/1/24. Score improved from last year. Score 123 out of 200. No agency in the U.S. scores 200. Discussions held at the last CoC Board meeting for what we want to improve on. We did not score highest enough for DV Bonus, scoring was based on Turning Point and overall CoC score. All grants in Tier 1 were funded in full. There was another grant across Tier 1 and 2 that was funded. There was another grant in Tier 2 that did not receive funding. Most grants received an increase in funding.</p>	
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	<p><b>b)</b> FY 2024 NOFO planning – The application encompasses everything, CoC Committees, etc. Normally competition is announced in summer and opened later summer.</p>	
8. ESG Fiduciary Update	<p>Daija Butler gave update: MCREST closeout FY 23 – Working on closing out FY23 with MCREST. Macomb County Health and Community Services taking over as fiduciary. Applications have been submitted, waiting on MSHDA now. Anticipating closeout of end of business day 3/13/24. HPP and HNP Grants.</p> <p>Zienab Fahs, MSHDA, gave update: and oversee ESG Grants – Still waiting on ESM and ESF grants, as soon as those closeout then we can closeout next fiscal year grants (can spent 1/1/24). Please remember this is a CoC grant with MSHDA, it is everyone’s responsibility. Zienab will begin sending out quarterly updates of how much of grant has been spent to help organizations stay on time with billings. If have late submissions, have to start taking away funding. If there are unspent funding, then 50% will be taken out of funding next year. For questions, please email Zienab. There was a meeting held on 3/1 for ESG applicants and expectations.</p>	
9. HMIS Lead Agency Update	<p>Lisa Chapman gave update: Still in conversation with HAND on taking over as HMIS Lead Agency. They are speaking with MSHDA and MCAH. HAND is reviewing budget. Hopefully able to have update soon. Then work on SPM (System Performance Measures) submitted with Macomb.</p>	
10. Old Business	N/A	
11. New Business	No new updates.	

<p>12. Standing Committee Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Point-In-Time Count Committee - Awaiting final count; MCAH is completing data entry.</li> <li>b. Coordinated Entry Systems Committee. Meeting every other month. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Rapid Rehousing Workgroup was created, second meeting 3/5/24. Discussing potential for RRH Coordinated Entry. If your organization has RRH Funds, we would like you part of the conversation. Email <a href="mailto:Cecilia.gaglio@macombgov.org">Cecilia.gaglio@macombgov.org</a>. Right now, taking back to agencies and see how it would look internally before making final decision. Having further discussion at next meeting.</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. Grant Ranking &amp; Compliance Committee – meeting rescheduled 3/21/24. If interested, please email <a href="mailto:Cecilia.gaglio@macombgov.org">Cecilia.gaglio@macombgov.org</a>. Committee will do grant ranking and site visits of organizations. Meeting held on March 4. Two roles need volunteers for: need HUD Grant ranking and monitoring agencies that get funded, and consists of orientation (visiting agencies and implementation and performance).</li> <li>d. HMIS and Data Quality Committee: Gave updates on System Performance Measures at last meeting.</li> <li>e. Awareness and Advocacy Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Safe Haven Event name changed to Homeless Outreach Partnership Event aka H.O.P.E. Event scheduled for Tues, 5/21/24 from 10am - 2pm. In the planning phase. If interested in having table at event, please email <a href="mailto:Cecilia.gaglio@macombgov.org">Cecilia.gaglio@macombgov.org</a>.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ii. Discussions on outreach to law enforcement.</li><li>iii. Reaching out to Emergency Room, if you have connection with ER/Hospital staff, we'd be interested reaching out to your contact. Committee wants to better inform hospitals on procedures before dropping off discharged patients to shelters. Hospitals just drop people off, without checking with shelters to help process. So emergency rooms is next goal, so if you have suggestions or connections to hospitals to get connection. We want to understand hospital processes.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Taylor, CHN is going to do shelter diversion training. Taylor can assist with diversion training if want to.</li><li>2. Macomb County Medical Control Authority (hospital has to participate in quarterly &amp; EMS is involved), Vicki Wolber will talk to their executive director to see about CoC joining meeting.</li><li>3. Salvation Army – said Safe Harbor for substance abuse with Macomb Harbor Light, if cannot meet need then will find someone. Can detox at facility for 5 days. It's a 21-day program, and if they don't have spacing then can</li></ul></li></ul>	
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	<p style="text-align: center;">help find them residential facility.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>f.</b> Mainstream Resources – CoC Board decided do not need committee. Doing similar activities in Awareness &amp; Advocacy Committee. Have had speakers for CoC Membership Meetings regularly.</li> <li><b>g.</b> Landlord Engagement Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>i.</b> Met on 2/23/24, discussed creating a RRH flyer to give to landlords. In future meetings, going to work on a landlord spreadsheet as engagement tool.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>h.</b> Equity / CERT - Heather VanVenburg and Daija Butler will connect after Homeless Policies Meeting. State is in the process of working on State Equity Plan, and Daija and Heather will see how to implement in County.</li> <li><b>i.</b> Ad-Hoc - ESG Implementation Committee - Met on 2/28/24. We will not meet as often, first met monthly as transition from MCRET to Macomb County Health and Human Services taking over as fiduciary. Now will meet quarterly or as needed with transition.</li> <li><b>j.</b> If interested in joining a committee please sign up at <a href="https://forms.gle/JAXrN2n9wR2URpCn7">https://forms.gle/JAXrN2n9wR2URpCn7</a>. For questions, please email <a href="mailto:cecilia.gaglio@macombgov.org">cecilia.gaglio@macombgov.org</a>.</li> </ul>	
Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Warming Shelter Close Date – Closed officially a couple weeks ago for the season. They are doing drop-in days at Trinity Lutheran, not overnight accommodations.</li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lisa Chapman – Having 8<sup>th</sup> annual advocacy day in Lansing. Will have Legislator, individual with lived experience, and more. If nonprofit, great time to advocate to Legislators.</li> <li>- There is a community baby shower event on Saturday, June 22, 2024 in Oak Park. Flyer will be sent out.</li> </ul>	
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13.Close	<p>Next meeting: May 8, 2024  <b>Motion to adjourn:</b> Connie Lasher  <b>Second:</b> Taylor Eberhart  The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.</p>	Motion Approved.
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Respectfully submitted by Cecilia Gaglio, MCA.