

CONTINUUM OF CARE MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

December 17, 2025 9:00am

By Paiton Beckner

Our mission: Teaming up to make homelessness rare, non-recurring, and short-lived.

Roll Call – **Please sign in the chat for attendance.**

Motion to approve minutes – Cedric Cox; Chris Dyer

Meeting held by Katrina (standing in for Bridget)

Old Business

- 1,712 Total **Households**; 4,499 **Individuals** (Literally Homeless, At Risk, DV, Vet)
- 636 **Households** Literally Homeless; 1,298 **Individuals**
- 14 **Households** Fleeing Domestic Violence; 31 **Individuals**
- 1,062 **Households** At Risk; 3,170 **Individuals**
- **Veterans: 19 RRH**
- Referrals sent to providers in November: 44 (including Housing referrals, ELC, Griffin Lofts and Jersey Commons)
- 101 Total CE Assessments taken last month. (November)
- 72 Total CE Assessments taken to date so far for this month (December)

*No questions raised regarding this data

New Business

PIT Count 2026 –

- Approximately 90 volunteers signed up; historically about half participate.
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- PIT Count scheduled for January 29, 2026 (last Thursday of January).
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- Only one shift will be held due to low sign-up for a second shift.
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- In-person training had low attendance (9 non-Coalition staff).
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- Updated virtual training will be sent to all volunteers.
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- Reminder: Each COC agency is required to provide at least one participant.

- Jessica to provide sign-up details upon request.

LSA (Longitudinal Systems Analysis) Update

- LSA submitted for HUD review.
- 17 warnings required explanations and data adjustments.
- HUD is reviewing responses; further clarification may be requested.
- Submission met HUD's first benchmark deadline.
- Appreciation expressed for agencies' timely cooperation.

2025 NOFO DELETED – No further updates at this time.; members will be informed as updates are received

Open Floor - Next meeting: 1/21/26 (Zoom)

- No questions or concerns raised for Bridget.
- **Case conferencing will no longer continue** after this meeting; members should contact Katrina or Bridget directly with client-related issues.

Motion from the Floor Adjournment – Taylor Thomas; Deborah Cozetti

Attendance - Stephen Powers, TCHS; Chris Dyer, Heartland for Children; Jason Saffels, CFBHN; Merry Christmas ~ Martha Murphy Catholic Charities; Kacey Wood, George Harris Youth Shelter; Jes Shapiro - Peace River Center; June Robinson, Polk for Recovery; Annie Gibson; Jennifer Cooper, Polk County BoCC; MaryBeth Moore/ Polk County; Derek Howell - SVdP CARES; Andrea Anderson Polk for Recovery; Donna Evanecky-PCSO; Taylor Thomas CASL; Nicole Redmond, Lake Wales Care Center; Cedric Cox, Sr.; City of Winter Haven; Rhonda Coleman, BayCare; Mike Carrano - The Cosmo Project; Michelle Czelusniak - The Wilson House; Giffe' Gill, ACTS; Nancy Hurley, City of Winter Haven; Brad Beatty, Heart for Winter Haven; Mike Smith, City of Lakeland; Johnna Martinez, GiveWell Community Foundation; Deborah Cozzetti Talbot House; Kelly Carter, Polk County; Rebecca Green, The Salvation Army; Sarah Burton, The WAY Center; Terri Cram, Acts; Jose Chavarria – Carrfour;