



## Housing Solutions Board

**Meeting Date: May 20, 2022 at 10:00AM EST**

**Phone: Zoom Call (<https://meet.google.com/qzz-hrww-nsd>)**

**Present: Olivia, Jamie, Lee, Ellen, Robert, Laurel, Annette, Daniel, Arturo, Chris, Anna, Maggie**

Time	Agenda Item & Discussion Notes	Decisions/Next Steps
	<p>I. Welcome: Introductions of new members and visitors. Any additions to today's Agenda?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>	
	<p>II. Approval of March 2022 Minutes.</p> <p>Discussion: Moved by: Arturo Second by: Lee Approved by: all; Opposed by: None; Abstained by: Maggie Olivia Annette Motion Vote: Passes</p> <p>Approval of April 2022 Meeting Notes (no quorum in April).</p> <p>Discussion: Moved by: Arturo Second by: Laurel Approved by: all; Opposed by: None; Abstained by: Maggie Olivia Annette Motion Vote: Passes</p>	
	<p>III. Presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No presentations today</li><li>○</li></ul>	

**IV. FORMAL ACTIONS**

- **Vote.**

**Discussion:**

**Moved by:**

**Second by:**

**Approved by: ; Opposed by: ; Abstained by:**

**Motion Vote:**

	<p><b>V. Outreach and Relationship Building</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>VI. Grants &amp; Funding</b></p> <p>Update by Annette</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Getting caught up on MSHDA billing, resolving confusion about acceptable documentation, several amendments have been required. Stephanie Oles is leaving role at MSHDA and we will have a new liaison in June.</li> <li>• CERA1 and CERA2 Update       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Spending on CERA 1 now.</li> <li>2. State has requested back \$1.4M. Will work to move \$750K to CERA 2.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. No update</li> </ol> </li> <li>• ESG-CV       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Winding down in September</li> <li>2. All funds have been expended</li> <li>3. Requesting additional funds</li> </ol> </li> <li>• ESG 2021/2022       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Started billing in April</li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p>Update by Maggie</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HUD CoC 2021       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Appeal to HUD for WLRP Supportive Services project has been written and submitted 5/20.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• ESG 2022/2023       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Application Process is currently open. Exhibit 1 is due on June 17, 2022.</li> <li>2. Maggie to send Doodle poll for special session date.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• HUD CoC 2022       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Expecting NOFO to be released within the next 6 weeks.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
	<p><b>VII. Other Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CERT Team       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Emails have been sent to all nominees from the HSB</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Updating Strategy for Calhoun County CoC       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chris Lussier to lead effort</li> <li>2. First step is to put together a game plan for moving forward and a mechanism for community input</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Termination of Services Policies       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 30% of ER visits are unsheltered according to Bronson recent statistics shared with shelters</li> <li>2. True Care Living could be an alternative direct discharge location for individuals age 55 and older</li> <li>3. Pilot flow chart created for Bronson/First Step discharge. Goal is to get planning ahead of discharge to shelters. Street Outreach added.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	

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	<p><b>VIII. New Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>IX. General Updates from Board Member organizations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anna - Legal Service Update: The court has added a second LT docket day. This is more than we have capacity to attend every week. Starting Monday, we are trying a new system where tenants are directed to call a specific line we have for eviction cases. I don't feel great about this because I expect we will lose some potential clients, but without more staff it's the best we can do.</li> <li>• Lee – challenges with utilization of HCV/VASH vouchers. 1200 applications received and 400 selected through lottery for Section 8. 12 of 16 EHV vouchers have been allocated. Reporting challenges with extreme increases in rents locally. Challenges with HUD FMR not keeping up with current inflation. Changing payment standards to 90%, seeing fewer families</li> <li>• Arturo – additional properties recently added. Contacts from the for-profit sector where employees fit within service parameters of NIBC service (focus on ALICE population and how to fill gaps in supportive services).</li> <li>• Chris – CDBG-CV grant is winding down. NIBC has TBRA funds remaining to spend. Additional legal services work and translation/interpretation services added for CDBG for 2 years.</li> <li>• Daniel – hiring is underway for a Fund Developer. Expecting to be debt free by next Monday!!!</li> <li>• Ellen – shelter is full. Challenges with safe, stable housing. Celebrity Server fundraising event was successful (initial estimate of \$89K). Sex trafficking services program development underway.</li> <li>• Jamie – PSH units extended. Working on relationships with landlords. HHAP expires at the end of the month. Approved to use current funds to support PSH tenants with housing needs.</li> <li>• Laurel – no update</li> <li>• Olivia – a lot of requests for the women’s shelter from around the state. “Taco Tuesday” event next week. Fundraiser 2 Feet to Shelter the Creek is coming up (\$20 to participate).</li> <li>• Robert – successful mailing fundraiser campaign. Tour by First Presbyterian on 5/19. HUD Grant notice received, made offer on position. Exploring Employment/Benefits FT position. Peer Recovery Coach opening. Concerns over cost, food availability for meals program (paying market rates now).</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>X. Adjourn</b>  <b>Motion to adjourn: Arturo</b>  <b>Second: Lee</b>  <b>Approved by: all; Opposed: none; Abstained: Maggie Olivia Annette</b>  <b>Motion Vote: Passes</b></p>	<p><b>MTG Reminder:</b>  <b>June 17, 2022</b>  <b>Time: 10:00AM –</b>  <b>11:30AM</b>  <b>Zoom</b></p>