

### **Three County Individual Services Meeting Minutes - 2/8/21**

*In attendance: Shaundell Diaz, Three County CoC, Erin Forbush, ServiceNet, Jakob Harrison, ServiceNet, John Hornik, Amherst Affording Housing Trust, Laura Hudson, A Positive Place, Justin Journet, Mental Health Association, Andy Klatka, Eliot Services, Michele LaFleur, Three County CoC, Jay Levy, Eliot Services, Becky Lockwood, Salasin Project, Morgan O'Connor, Craig's Doors, Pamela Schwartz, Network, Kate Shapiro, DMH*

*Note: We had an abbreviated meeting due to scheduling conflicts.*

### **Coordinated Entry Update:**

3 move-ins

19 additions to by-names list

See [here](#) for additional information with upcoming trainings, racial equity plan launch (2/18) and other announcements.

### **Point in Time Count:**

It began on 1/27 but surveys may be conducted for 2 weeks instead of the typical 1 due to covid. Please continue to reach out to people!

### **Shelter Updates:**

#### **ServiceNet:**

Pittsfield: has capacity; operating vaccine clinic today; warming center will be opening this week

Greenfield: opened up 10 additional beds - almost full

Northampton: near capacity; warming center (run by Manna) will be opening this week

#### **Craig's Doors, Amherst:**

Will be expanding with 10 additional hotel rooms in Hadley, hopefully starting this week. Running second vaccine clinic this Thursday. Roughly 50% taking the vaccine; finding greater participation when one-on-one conversations happen that include answering questions and discussing its safety.

**Isolation hotel** in Pittsfield (latest update post meeting on 2/9): 7 people in hotel; only two are from Western MA. Good news on declining numbers.

**Shelter Plus Care vouchers** - 3 available now. Contact Kate at DMH at [kate.shapiro@state.ma.us](mailto:kate.shapiro@state.ma.us).

**Budget and Policy Updates:** Pamela provided state and federal policy updates that are captured in these blog posts on the Governor's recently proposed FY22 budget [here](#) and [here](#), President Biden's COVID-19 funding package as it relates to housing [here](#) and new information on the COVID Eviction Legal Help Project [here](#). Be sure to [subscribe to the Network blog](#) to stay connected to policy developments and advocacy alerts.

**Next meeting date: Monday, 3/8**