

Three County Individual Services Committee Meeting Minutes - 7/11/22

In attendance: Nancy Alvarado, Three County CoC, Dr. Jessica Bossie, Hilltown Health Center, Sami Cunningham, Northampton Resilience Hub, Shaundell Diaz, Three County CoC, Erin Forbush, ServiceNet, Laura Hudson, Positive Place, Michelle LaFleur, Three County CoC, Carol Lewis, Amherst Affordable Housing Trust, Becky Lockwood, Salasin Project, Tim McCarthy, Craig's Doors, Jeffrey McLeod, Eliot Services, Kristina Tams, Community Action, Susan White, Life Path

Shelter Update:

ServiceNet:

Greenfield: full with a wait list

Northampton: some capacity at interfaith shelter

Pittsfield: currently at St. Joe's HS - about 40-43 people

Craig's Doors: continuing with outreach efforts at encampments; purchasing tents, dropping off water; guest since 2015, signed lease and picked up keys last Friday. Focused on deepening case management.

Hilltown Health Center update: Dr. Bossie is providing medical services at Manna Soup Kitchen in Northampton - attending every Monday, 9 am - 3:30 pm with case management support.

5 Franklin Street Housing: Open House Party, Tuesday, August 2, 5-7 pm. ALL are welcome who are connected to this work (see [Invitation HERE](#)). 10 official referrals to the building. 4 are in pre-referral process. 2 remain to be identified (16 total). All referrals are through the Three County CoC coordinated entry process.

Data Update: Small group met to discuss how we want to look at data. Going to experiment with quarterly reporting, looking at in-flow and out-flow and sub-populations (e.g., veterans, youth and young adults) and race and ethnicity. July through September will be our first data look (at October meeting).

Michele also announced the completion of the Three County Point in Time Count Report. You can find it [HERE](#).

Three County CoC Emergency Housing Vouchers Update: Of the 68 EHV's issued to the 3 County CoC, 27 people have been housed thus far. (Salasin Project shared how one of them is an individual they have been working with for 2 years). Fantastic work!

Announcements:

- Franklin HRA has new open units in Sunderland for supportive housing. See the HRA website for more info.
- Life Path is partnering with Greenfield HA and HRA in Turners Falls and Greenfield to create pipelines for elder housing - there are open spots.

- The CoC is recruiting people with lived experience to participate in their committees. Learn more here: <https://conta.cc/3NZASWf>
- The Network will be posting for an Assistant position in September. See draft job description [here](#).
- The first financial literacy session offered by Way Finders occurred with 8 participants (big thanks to Craig's Doors for their recruitment efforts). Good success! This will happen every 3 months. Stay tuned for next offering.

Next meeting date: Monday, September 12. Will exchange August updates via email.