CACH MONTHLY MEETING MARCH 2, 2023



<u>OUR MISSION</u>

To provide strategic support through innovation, collaboration, education, and advocacy among community partners so that they may effectively and efficiently serve those who are experiencing and/or at risk of becoming homeless.





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 Looking Ahead



<u>OUTREACH UPDATES</u>

1. Service Agency Meetings a. We have now met with 6 service agencies in the area b. If you have not met with us and would like to, please email info@sccach.org to schedule a meeting 2. New Email Address a. For all inquiries and requests, please email info@sccach.org 3. Continue updating the Shelter Bed Availability spreadsheet



<u>OPERATIONS UPDATES</u>

1. CACH Summary on Housing & Homelessness a. We are still acteively working on the Summary b. Our goal is to have it published in the next couple of months 2. Monthly Meeting Update a. New meeting location: Pathways Auditorium b. Bring your own lunch (BYOL) c. There will no longer be a hybrid option



<u>ADDITIONAL UPDATES</u>

1. Homeless Court is taking place on March 23rd at 2 PM a. The ideal candidate for the Homeless Court Program ("HCP") is someone who is actively receivingassistance/treatment and is making progress towards their goals but has past criminal convictions or charges that are posing barriers to re-entering society. 2. If you are interested in putting a metal CACH sign up at your business or agency, please email info@sccach.org a. Cost = \$160



2023 POINT-IN-TIME (PIT) COUNT



2023 PIT COUNT

- The Point-In-Time (PIT Count) is a count of all individuals experiencing homelessness
- That being said...
 - This count only takes place once a year and is not the most accurate way to track and measure trends in homelessness
 - This was CACH's first time coordinating the PIT Count and was, therefore, a learning experience and something we hope to improve on going forward



PRELIMINARY DATA: WHAT WE KNOW

- During the PIT Count, we were able to complete surveys with 154 individuals
- Of individuals surveyed...
 - 135 were experiencing homelessness
 - <8% (12 individuals) reported staying in their own homes on the night</p> of January 25th (not experiencing homelessness)
 - Of unhoused individuals, nearly 70% (107 individuals) reported that they had experienced homelessness multiple times or for more than 90 days consecutively

*Please note that not every respondent answered every question





<u>PRELIMINARY DATA: WHAT WE KNOW</u>

• Of individuals surveyed...

- Almost 35% (47 individuals) of unhoused individuals reported experiencing homelessness for 1 year or more
- 27% (37 individuals) of unhoused individuals reported being employed
- 57% (77 individuals) of unhoused individuals reported that their last permanent address was in York County
- 24 children were counted

*Please note that not every respondent answered every question



PRELIMINARY DATA: WHAT WE KNOW

Below are the top 8 services respondents said they were in need of.

- 1. Long-term housing
- 2. Transportation
- 3.Food
- 4. Clothing
- 5. Dental care
- 6. Hygiene items
- 7. Emergency shelter
- 8. Employment services





VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE SURVEY

- 23 individuals who volunteered for the 2023 PIT Count completed our anonymous "Volunteer Experience Survey"
- Of volunteers who completed the survey...
 - 22 said they were either "extremely likely" or "somewhat likely" to volunteer with us again
 - 100% said that their volunteer experience was either "extremely positive" or "somewhat positive"
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 recommend the volunteer opportunity to someone they know



VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE SURVEY

Volunteers were asked what the most impactful moment of the experience was. Below are some of their responses.

- "Seeing the passion that others organizations have for our community!"
- "Hearing members of the unhoused community advocating for themselves" and the entire community."
- "Hearing some of the stories of how people get to be in an unhoused situation. I didn't ask, but they volunteered, and it was astonishing."



"There are so many misconceptions surrounding this population; every time I speak with people experiencing homelessness, I am reminded of just how wrong the stereotypes and misconceptions are and how every individual has a story."



<u>WHAT WE LEARNED</u>

- There is a need to survey unhoused individuals throughout the year (not just) once a year during the PIT Count)
 - This will allow us to...
 - Reach more individuals experiencing homelessness
 - Build rapport with individuals experiencing homelessness
 - Connect people to services
 - Include more of our own survey questions
 - More effectively track and monitor homelessness in our community



WHAT WE LEARNED

- While we were able to survey a lot of individuals at the bus stops, we also realized that in future counts we will need to put more effort into our encampments teams and look to station volunteers at service agencies • This will...
 - Allow us to gain important information from individuals staying at a shelter or transitional housing facility
 - Survey individuals who may not use the bus system
 - Give volunteers an opportunity to support existing service providers.



WHAT'S NEXT

- At some point in the next few months, we will look to have a conversation on how to improve the PIT Count for next year
- PIT Count data for York County will be published in The Summary on Housing and Homelessness
- We will look to increase outreach efforts to connect individuals with existing services
- We will continue to have conversations on service gaps and ways to better serve the unhoused population



FINANCIAL UPDATES

Funding Source	Funding Available
CDBG - FY 22/23	\$5,000.00



Purpose

Hotel/Motel Vouchers

THANK YOU TO THE SALVATION ARMY WHO HAS GRACIOUSLY FED US AND HOSTED OUR COALITION MEETINGS!





<u>AGENCY UPDATES</u>





AGENCY UPDATES

Bethel Shelters

- Looking to hire a part-time Intake Specialist
- \$13-\$16/hour
- To apply, please submit your resume to Rev.
 Emily Sutton, Executive Director of Bethel
 Shelters
 - esutton@bethelshelters.org.





Position: Part-Time Intake Specialist Pay Range: \$13-16 an hour

General Summary:

The Intake Specialist is a part-time position reporting to the Shelter Case Manager. This position is based either in the Day Shelter (Pathways Community Center 546 S. Cherry Road, Suite S, Rock Hill, SC) or Night Shelter (Bethel UMC 1232 Curtis Street Rock Hill, SC 29730) depending on need and staff capacity. The primary responsibility of an Intake Specialist is to manage the intake process for new clients seeking shelter services.

<u>Day Shelter applicants</u> must have daytime availability for 2-4 shifts a week, each shift ranging from 4 to 9 hours depending on staff availability from 8:30 am - 5:30 pm. <u>Night Shelter applicants</u> must have evening availability for 2-4 shifts a week, from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Greet guests upon entering the Shelter and document shelter attendance and occupancy.
- Conduct intake assessments related to guests' demographics, past experiences in homelessness, etc.
- · Refer guests to Shelter Case Manager for housing and employment needs.
- Ensuring guests adhere to shelter policies and procedures and orienting new guests to shelter policies and procedures.
- Assist Security Officers and/or Social Worker/Case Manager with other duties as requested.

Skills & Experience:

- High school diploma or equivalent required, Social Work students and graduates preferred.
- · Able to work efficiently and enjoy interacting with people from all walks of life.
- · Proficient with computers, and Microsoft products; HMIS or database experience a plus.
- · Prior experience working with those experiencing homelessness preferred.

To apply: Please submit your resume to Rev. Emily Sutton, Executive Director of Bethel Shelters, via email at <u>esutton@bethelshelters.org</u>.

<u>AGENCY UPDATES</u>

The York County Interagency Coalition (YCIC) is back!

- Website: https://sites.google.com/view/yourycic/home
- Sign-up to receive the YCIC newsletter: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfv2vmxpDi3ZkMcoMohDCFha WtyuAioZaT62eQWV2hL7LzGgw/viewform
- CACH is considered an "affinity group" with a focus on hunger and homelessness
- YCIC is looking to create additional groups that focus on veteran services, elder care, and other community needs



AGENCY UPDATES

First Choice by Select Health of South Carolina

- "Once a year, the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services" (Healthy Connections) may mail you an Annual Review Form to determine if you are still eligible for Medicaid. When you get your Annual Review Form, it's time to take action! There is a limited time to complete and return your form to Healthy Connections. If you do not return it on time, you and/or your children are at risk of losing Healthy Connections coverage." https://www.selecthealthofsc.com/member/english/resources/annual
 - eligibility-review.aspx



<u>AGENCY UPDATES</u>

Catawba Area Agency on Aging

- Community Outreach Event at Ebenezer Baptist Church
- Saturday, March 18th from 10 AM -1 PM



Ebenezer Baptist Church 290 S. Herlong Ave. Rock Hill, SC 29732 Saturday, March 18, 2023 From 10:00 AM- 1:00 PM







EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENT



<u>AGENCY UPDATES</u>

Housing Opportunity for Persons with Aids (HOPWA)

- Goal: to develop relationships with HOPWA service providers and explore opportunities to expand the service capacity of HOPWA-funded programs throughout service areas
- Serve Chester, Lancaster, and York counties in South Carolina
- Will release the HOPWA Request for Proposal so that agencies can apply for HOPWA funds
- For more information, please contact Akeem McDuffie at akeem.mcduffie@charlottenc.gov



AGENCY UPDATES

City Wide Women's Ministry

- Set Apart: Women's Conference
- March 10th @ New Covenant Church
- Refreshments start at 5 PM
- Service starts at 6 PM
- No cost



Friday, March 10, 2023 Refreshments served from 5:00 till 5:45 Service begins at 6 PM NO COST

Bythe

Way



Speaker: Rev. Linda Jurek Special Guest Worship Leaders: Watkins & Bloodline

1807 Cherry Road—Ste 121 Rock Hill, SC 29732 **New Covenant Church**

AGENCY UPDATES

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity

- Free screenings
 - Blood pressure, blood sugar level, weight, and height check
- March 4th from 1-3 PM
- For more information, contact Nikita Jackson njackson@ncfmc.net



Ernest G. Brown Women's and Pediatric Center **1140 Saluda Street** Rock Hill, SC 29730

Free Screenings and Information Available:



For more information:



njackson@ncfmc.net 803-554-6628 Sponsored by the Rock Hill, SC Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. in collaboration with **North Central Family Medicine**





Saturday, 03/04/2023 1-3 PM

Blood Pressure

Blood Sugar Level Weight and Height

Check

Contact Ms. Nikita Jackson:

LOOKING AHEAD

- Starting next month, we will begin meeting at the Pathways Auditorium Lunch will not be provided, but you are encouraged to bring your own Address: 546 S Cherry Rd Ste G, Rock Hill, SC 29732
- The format of upcoming meetings will begin to look different
 - More conversational
 - Time for data/information sharing
 - Focus on action items
- We plan to continue meeting with service agencies over the next several months. If you would like to meet with us, please email <u>info@sccach.org</u>



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If you are homeless or in danger of losing your home, call the

United Way of York County

866-892-9211

Available 24/7

Join the community effort to end homelessness and help people in need in Rock Hill:



