



CoC Leadership Council Meeting

November 12, 2020, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Remote Meeting Via Zoom

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| I. | Welcome and Introductions | Kevin Stiff |
| II. | Public Comment | Kevin Stiff |
| III. | Approval of Minutes - September 10, 2020 | Kevin Stiff |
| IV. | Dashboard Review | Chris Johnson |
| V. | CSIS Vendor Review Update | Brandon Bellows |
| V. | Discussion / Action Items | All Present |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential CoC Leadership Council Seat Additions – Followup • Funding update • ESG-CV2 Process Determination and Eligible Activities • Dashboard Goals for FY21 | |
| VI. | General Announcements/Meeting Schedules | Kevin Stiff |
| VII. | Adjourn | Kevin Stiff |

Agenda is subject to change without prior notice.

Leadership Council 2020 Meeting Schedule		
Date	Time	Location
Thursday, January 9th	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	The Glasser/Schoenbaum Bldg. 1750 17th St, J-1, Sarasota, FL 34234 Loevner Room
Thursday, March 12th	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	The Glasser/Schoenbaum Bldg. 1750 17th St, J-1, Sarasota, FL 34234 Loevner Room
Thursday, May 7th	3:30 PM- 5:00 PM	Via Zoom
Annual CoC/Leadership Council Wednesday, August 19th	9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Via Zoom
Thursday, September 10th	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Via Zoom
Thursday, November 12th	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Via Zoom



Meeting Minutes: November 14, 2020

Location: Meeting conducted via Skype

Meeting Time: 3:30 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Name	Affiliation
Cliatt, Tarnisha	Manasota Chamber of Commerce
Eller, Scott	Community Assisted Supportive Living (C.A.S.L.)
Fernandez, Lisette	Manatee County Schools
Gloria, Eduardo	Catholic Charities
Johnson, Chris	Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness
Moran, Michael	Sarasota County Government
Richardson, Lue	Veteran's Affairs
Rodriguez-Gnos, Maria	Turning Points
Roseboro, Jane	Centerstone
Russell, William	Sarasota Housing Authority
Showers, Julia	The Salvation Army Manatee
Sprinkle, Ray	Sarasota County Schools
Stiff, Kevin	Sarasota Law Enforcement

CoC Leadership Council Members:

Representatives: Amy E. Jones, The Salvation Army Sarasota; Jennifer Johnston, Gulf Coast Community Foundation; Marcella Levin, Advocate

Suncoast Partnership Staff: Amiee Barth, Tara Booker, Brandon Bellows, Lauren Davis

I. Welcome and Introductions

Kevin Stiff welcomed the Leadership Council members. Attendance was taken and a quorum was certified at 3:36 p.m.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Approval of Minutes- September 10, 2020

Leadership Council meeting minutes from September 10, 2020 were provided electronically prior to this meeting. Scott Eller made a motion to approve the minutes with Maria Rodriguez-Gnos providing a second, and with no additional comments the meeting minutes were approved.

IV. Dashboard Review



Chris Johnson provided an explanation of the CoC Performance Measures Dashboard for the final 4th Quarter of FY20. When asked for additional discussion, Scott Eller requested this information be provided, to which Chris indicated the Dashboard is available on Suncoast Partnership's website at <https://www.suncoastpartnership.org/copy-of-community-factsheet>. There was no additional discussion provided.

V. CSIS Vendor Review Update

Brandon Bellows provided an update on CSIS Software Vendors that have been looked at as a new software provider: Bitfocus, CaseWorthy, ClientTrack, Social Solutions. Suncoast Partnership staff will provide demos to the CSIS Committee and will request the input from service providers during the upcoming CSIS Committee Meeting December 2, 2020 with thoughts and ideas.

Brandon provided summaries of each of the software vendors and asked for discussion on the matter. Scott Eller asked who would be able to provide this feedback, to which Brandon indicated anyone within the CoC are encouraged to bring their input and perspective to the CSIS Committee Meeting.

Jennifer Johnston asked about any major cost differences, to which Chris Johnson indicated we are in the early stages of negotiations with the software vendors and no costs have been finalized yet.

Scott Eller stated during his review of another CoC's UniteUS system, but unfortunately this is not a current HMIS software vendor. Brandon indicated whichever system that we switch to, it will need to be a current HMIS that meets HUD reporting requirements.

Chris Johnson added that the current software vendor is limited to the Java server for ART reporting, which is only available through Firefox, but the time we have to use this format is expiring.

VI. Discussion/Action Items

- **Potential CoC Leadership Council Seat Additions: Follow-up**

Chris has reached out to leaders at Senior Friendship Center, Suncoast Center for Independent Living, Family Resources, and CAN to gauge interest in filling potential new seats for Senior, Disabled, and LGBTQ+ seats. Chris will continue to provide the members with updates regarding these new seats.

- **Funding Update**

Chris asked the members about any potential new funding coming to their agencies. No additional information was provided.

Jennifer Johnston requested information regarding the CARES funding coming into the community. Chris stated at the end of October, we received the amendment including these funds and Suncoast Partnership staff is working diligently to provide information to recipients.

- **USICH Strategic Plan Highlights/Debriefing**

Chris Johnson provided a summary of the USICH Strategic Plan. Chris explained there were some areas of the plan that were not consistent with our CoC's outcomes. The USICH Strategic Plan has areas that do not support housing first, rapid rehousing, and unsheltered homeless whereas our data supports the effectiveness of housing first and rapid rehousing programs and a decrease of unsheltered homeless in the community.

Kevin Stiff added he agrees with the ongoing case management that is a necessity for clients after they are housed.

Jennifer Johnstone added she too does not agree with Dr. Marbut's thoughts on rapid rehousing for our area, as our data supports the effectiveness of this activity.

- **ESG-CV2 Process Determination and Eligible Activities**

Chris Johnson explained the State is finalizing the CV-2 ESG funding, but there is no current date for the allotment of this source. These funds will be eligible for spending until June 30, 2022. Chris is proposing the Leadership Council discuss whether these funds would be open for a competitive process and introduce additional activities like Street Outreach be allowed through these CV-2 funds.

Chris requested the Leadership Council approve Street Outreach activities be funded through Suncoast Partnership in order to serve the CoC with outreach workers who can assist in connecting clients from the By-Name-List to the housing intervention agencies they are referred to. This would create a warm hand-off for the entire CoC. Chris opened this to the Leadership Council for discussion.

Scott Eller questioned whether case management is funded under the ESG grant's activities, to which Chris answered there is case management under each activity, but permanent supportive housing is not an allowable activity under ESG regulations.

Julie Showers informed the Council The Salvation Army Manatee is hiring an outreach worker who will be serving Manatee County, and asked if there should be a Manatee County agency responsible for these outreach attempts or a team under Suncoast Partnership as she would prefer a multi-agency team approach. Julie requested a meeting to discuss goals under this outreach activity and expectations of partnering agencies and their outreach workers.

Jane Rosenboro informed the Leadership Council Centerstone was awarded a SAMSA grant that provides intensive case management and therapy services. She is hoping to pair these services with housing intervention services for clients to sustain housing.

Chris reminded the council there are remaining funds specific to Sarasota and Manatee Counties that have not be allocated, but the funds he is speaking of are State funded which can serve across the CoC and does not have jurisdictional limitations. Chris asked if there was an agency that would be interested in providing the outreach for clients being referred from the CoC's Community BNL across both counties for housing intervention services.

Chris then asked the council for their thoughts on having a competitive process for the additional funds coming to the CoC. Jennifer Johnston asked whether this would be like the Request for Proposals (RFP) Suncoast Partnership has done in the past, to which Chris stated it would. Jennifer Johnston asked if the RFP process could be simplified that would be beneficial as agencies continue to work at limited capacity.

Chris stated the State continues to look for creative solutions for the CV-2 funding coming down, like intensive outreach. Chris returned to the original question asking if the Council would like to make this a competitive process.

Kevin Stiff stated he thinks the process should be competitive but asked for a motion from the Council. Jennifer Johnston recommended the Rank and Review committee meet to discuss potential options. With no motions, Kevin recommended we table this for a later meeting.

Tarnisha Cliatt motioned to move forward with a subcommittee to discuss moving forward with the RFP process; a second was not provided amongst the Leadership Council.

Kevin reminded the Council we need to make a motion on the issue or table it for the next meeting. Lissette Fernandez made a motion to table it until the next meeting; Julia Showers made a second on this. Kevin indicated we don't need a motion to table it until the next meeting.

Tarnisha Cliatt stated we should begin discussing the funds to make recommendations on how to allocate these funds. Jennifer Johnston stated Chris would not need a motion or permission to have these discussions with service providers regarding funding allocation, to which Chris agreed and stated he would do this.

- **Dashboard Goals FY21**

The Leadership Council made the following Dashboard Goals for FY21:

Permanent Positive Outcomes from All Projects	1250
High and Highest Acuity of Need who exited with a Permanent Positive Outcome	325
Percentage of PSH or RRH exiting to Permanent Positive Outcome	85%

Percentage maintaining Permanent Positive Outcome (PSH or RRH)	85%
Days between entry into a housing intensive project for Rapid Re-Housing Projects and Residential Move-in Date	60 Days
Percentage from RRH and PSH who improve income	30%

VII. General Announcements/Meeting Schedules

There were no additional announcements.

VIII. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m.