



## CoC Leadership Council Meeting

January 12, 2023, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

via Zoom

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| I.    | Welcome and Roll Call   | Jon Thaxton   |
| II.   | Public Comment  | Jon Thaxton   |
| III.  | Approval of Minutes – November 10, 2022   | Jon Thaxton   |
| IV.   | Strategic Plan Priorities Update  | All Present   |
|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase Affordable Housing Stock (Under 80% AMI)</li> <li>• High Functioning Case Management</li> <li>• Integrate Diversion And Early Intervention Strategies Community-Wide</li> <li>• Create 90 PSH Opportunities For Adults Who Are High Acuity Of Need; Chronic And/Or Long Term Homeless</li> <li>• Maintain A Comprehensive Homeless Crisis Response System (HCRS)</li> </ul> |               |
| V.    | CoC CE Survey Results   | Cheryl Clunk  |
| VI.   | Discussion / Action Items   | Chris Johnson |
|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• System Performance Measures Dashboard Options</li> <li>• CE System Review Scheduling</li> <li>• Point In Time Update</li> </ul>  |               |
| VII.  | General Announcements/Meeting Schedules   | Jon Thaxton   |
| VIII. | Adjourn   |               |

Agenda is subject to change without prior notice.



Leadership Council 2023 Meeting Schedule		
Date	Time	Location
Thursday, March 9, 2023	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	TBD



## Leadership Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** January 12, 2023

**Hosted Via:** Virtual via Zoom

<b>Attendees: NAME</b>	<b>Organization:</b>
Cliatt, Tarnisha	Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce
Fagenbaum, Jennifer	Family Promise of South Sarasota County
Howell, Megan	Second Heart Homes
Smith, Mark	First Step
Hays, Jessica	Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center
Raposa, Michael	St. Vincent de Paul CARES
Roseboro, Jane	Centerstone of Florida
Santos, Maria	Manatee County Government
Jones, Dede	City of Sarasota
Brady, Andrew	The Salvation Army Sarasota
Sprinkle, Roy	Sarasota County Public School
Smith, Rita	Coldwell Banker Realty
Doyle, Jim	JDA Media
Juillerat, Tina	STREAM
Minor, Erin	Harvest House
Jewett, Joy	Manatee County Sheriff's Office
Cassidy, Terry	Sarasota Memorial Hospital
Johnson, Chris	Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness
Neunder, Joe	Sarasota County Government
Thaxton, Jon	Gulf Coast Community Foundation

**Staff Present:** Taylor Neighbors, Cheryl Clunk, Amiee Barth, Lauren Bowen, Kenneth Hall, Marisol Violette, Devon Jarrett, Susan Parisi, Demetris Brown, Hilda Dutton, & Wendy McNaughton

**I. Welcome and Roll Call**

Jon Thaxton welcomed everyone. Taylor Neighbors conducted the roll call, and a quorum was established at 3:34 P.M.

**II. Public Comment**

No comments.

**III. Approval of Minutes – November 10, 2022**



The Minutes from the November 10, 2022, meeting were sent out electronically prior to the meeting. With no opposition to the minutes, they were approved unanimously.

#### **IV. Strategic Plan Priorities Update**

- Increase Affordable Housing Stock (Under 80% AMI)

Jon Thaxton mentioned that there will hopefully be a new development coming as this is on the agenda for approval by the Commissioners.

- High Functioning Case Management

Taylor Neighbors mentioned that the Case Management Essentials training and the Case Management Supervision training were very well attended. Another training will be held on February 21<sup>st</sup> at the Goodwill Corporate office in Bradenton. The Florida Housing Coalition (Amanda Rosado) will be presenting Motivational Interviewing training.

Jon Thaxton mentioned an email that came from Christina Russi regarding the Department of Health and Manatee County offering mental health first aid training at no cost.

Maria Santos mentioned that in Manatee County, the Manatee Community Foundation and PATH will be co-hosting a community conversation where case managers are invited to review data and have some work sessions. It will be at Goodwill's Corporate offices on February 9<sup>th</sup>.

- Integrate Diversion and Early Intervention Strategies Community-Wide

Taylor reminded everyone of the November 30<sup>th</sup> training session presented by Florida Housing Coalition, which focused on diversion and early intervention. She stressed that everyone in the CoC should be having diversion conversations with clients so that they do not enter the system or if they do, there's a quick plan to get them out of the system.

- Create 90 PSH Opportunities for Adults who are High Acuity of Need; Chronic and/or Long Term Homeless

It was stated that the creation of the 90 permanent supportive housing is the most difficult to attain and retain in Sarasota.

- Maintain a Comprehensive Homeless Crisis Response System (HCRS)

Cheryl Clunk mentioned that everyone would be receiving notice soon about the focus group meetings that she will be facilitating which will be in person and online. Cheryl will also be sending out a survey for those who prefer to write in their thoughts and comments anonymously. The meetings will look at the components of the system from the access points to what tools we are using, how prioritization works, and how referrals are sent.



Some things will change due to how our new CSIS system functions, other things will change because HUD has passed down recommendations, and some things will change to meet the needs of our area. It has been five years since we, as a COC, have done that large of an assessment of our system.

Highlights from a focus group held to discuss equality and equity within our CoC were discussed by Cheryl. A document containing highlights from the focus group was sent out prior to the meeting for LC members to review.

#### **V. Discussion / Action Items**

The Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Task Force, chaired by Dawn Sakes, from More Too Life, has been meeting for six months. The task force has grown from 4-5 people to about 20 people. There has been a lot of input and interest, and they have reviewed the requirements for the Youth NOFO. They did an interview with the CEO and the Youth Action Board Chair from Charlotte County because that group received the Youth Homeless Demonstration Project (YHDP) grant for a million dollars and received valuable feedback. The Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Task force recommended that the CoC should not apply for the funding associated with the YHDP grant this year (2023) and should focus on becoming a more suitable candidate for the funding.

Cheryl stated that we need to bring our current unaccompanied homeless youth processes in line with coordinated entry. We need designated unaccompanied youth shelter beds, rapid rehousing and permanent supportive housing that is specific to this age group and runs through coordinated entry. There needs to be collaboration from all agencies.

Amiee Barth stated that the Point in Time (PIT) count is going to be held in Sarasota, Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> starting at 3 P.M. to Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 3 P.M. In Manatee, it will be Monday through Saturday (January 23<sup>rd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>). Volunteers are needed for the count and to enter data. Training sessions have been scheduled.

#### **VI. General Announcements/Meeting Schedules**

Jon stated that the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 3:30-5:00 P.M. Jon asked if we are going to continue Zoom meetings or hybrid/in person meetings. It was noted that the majority prefer the virtual option. Jon reminded everyone to look at the dashboard options and get feedback to Chris for the next meeting.

#### **VII. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 P.M.