**NY-603 Continuum of Care**

**Racial Equity Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, February 12, 2020**

**3:00pm-4:00pm**

**Amityville Community Resource Center**

**Committee Structure:**

Committee Chair- Edna White, LICH

Co-Chair- TBD

Moderator- Mike Giuffrida, LICH

Secretary- Thanh Pham, LICH

**Committee Goals:**

Represent diverse voices and perspectives across communities on equity and race as it relates to challenges with accessing/obtaining and maintaining housing on Long Island,

Create more opportunities for homeless households to access housing through networking and coalition building and by removing barriers based on race/discrimination

Review various reports and data on racial inequities in local homelessness

Review various forms, policies, and housing program models to ensure that service models use a racial equity lens

Information sharing and discussion of existing initiatives, committees and action groups to address racism and discrimination on Long Island as it relates to homelessness

**Agenda**

3:00pm Welcome & Introductions

3:15pm Discussion of "LI Divided" Article and how it pertains to homelessness

3:30pm What two action items can this Committee take on to Advance Racial Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion and result a decrease in homelessness and minimize the length of time people experience homelessness?

4:00 pm Adjourn

*The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness; promote access to and effect utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness.*

*CoC Website: lihomeless.org*

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