**Long Island (Nassau/Suffolk) Continuum of Care Business Meeting Minutes**

**February 8th, 2019**

**Amityville Community Resource Center**

All members present introduced themselves and Greta Guarton welcomed all to the meeting.

**General Updates:**

The Housing Resource Committee and Legislative Committee both had their first meetings this morning. These committees will be meeting at 9:50AM, open to all CoC members.

**2018/2019 Funding Round:**

HUD announced the programs that will be renewed and announced new funding awards as well. Continuum of Care lost two lowest ranked PSH programs.

CoC continues to improve as per HUD system performance measures, including reductions in overall homelessness and length of time homeless.

The Governance Board has voted to not reallocate additional funds this year, and no programs will be cut for reallocation. Additionally, to preserve existing housing programs, any applications for new programs will be placed at the bottom of Tier 2 for ranking.

**HMIS Updates:**

Wayne Scallon reported that all Nassau County DSS-funded emergency shelter programs have been consolidated into a single Division in AWARDS/HMIS (Nassau DSS). As such, these programs all now appear in the HMIS with Nassau DSS in front of the program name. The program name now also includes the provider agency name and the specific project name (ex. Nassau DSS – Catholic Charities – Regina Residence).

Wayne reported that he expects this will be followed by the same effort for Suffolk County DSS-funded shelters but the timeline for that change has not yet been established.

**Upcoming HMIS Trainings**

HMIS New User Training: February 19, 2019 - (seats available)

HMIS Reports and ReportBuilding (Intermediate): February 28, 2019 - (seats available)

*For more HMIS Updates, please see the HMIS document on the CoC Website.*

**Coordinated Entry System update:**

Gabrielle Fasano reported that we referred 8 households last month via coordinated entry.

**CoC Trainings:**

Jacklyn Duckham updated the CoC on upcoming trainings and the process to register for these trainings. To register for these trainings, please visit the CoC Website and fill out the Registration Forms for the events you would like to attend.

*Upcoming Trainings:*

March 15th, 2019- Motivational Interviewing hosted by Yvonne Mann

March 27th, 2019- Critical Time Intervention

**Announcements:**

LICH Candlelight Vigil is on April 2nd, 2019, 6:30PM-8:30PM, at Farmingdale State College.

First Keys Conference meeting will be February 20th in Room 203.

Next CoC meeting is March 17th, 2019