



# Wake County CoC Membership Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2023



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**START RECORDING**

# Agreements

Be mindful of how much you're talking (take space/make space)

Own your intentions and your impact

Refrain from using acronyms

No one knows everything, together we know a lot

Don't cut others off when they are talking

Be respectful of confidentiality—only share your own story

Leave egos at the door

# AGENDA

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- Governance Board Roles and Responsibilities
- Update on Lead Agency
- Membership Vote
- Questions and Comments
- ESG update



# Governance Board Responsibilities.

# Roles and Responsibilities.

- **The CoC is governed by an elected board composed of community members invested in the issue of homelessness. The CoC Board is an independent entity but is not incorporated, so must appoint a local entity to conduct business on behalf of the Board and CoC at large.**
- **The Governing Board is the policy-setting and decision-making body for the CoC. The board is responsible for overseeing the planning, coordination of resources, and evaluation of results for the community.**

# Lead Agency Responsibilities

# Roles and Responsibilities.

- **The Lead Agency is designated to carry out the activities of the CoC, including fiscal and compliance activities. Regular administrative tasks include:**
  - management of the annual HUD application
  - coordination of other funding opportunities
  - project/system monitoring
  - meeting management
  - other duties as needed
- **The Lead Agency serves as the Collaborative Applicant and is designated by the CoC Board to be the entity that submits the collaborative funding application to HUD for homeless assistance programs.**
- **The Lead Agency manages the Continuum's data in the Homeless Management Information System. HMIS allows our community to record, track, and report results of individual agency accomplishments, as well as measure how the entire community is performing.**
- **The Lead Agency creates and promotes a system that is fair and equitable for everyone entering the homeless response system. The Coordinated Assessment System will rapidly identify, assess, prioritize, refer, and connect them to housing and services for which they qualify based on their needs.**



# Update on Lead Agency



- The NC 507 Governance Board was notified that The Partnership was out of compliance with Wake County which resulted in removal of County and City of Raleigh funding to the agency-9/9/2022
- The Governance Board then proceeded to send out a community wide survey soliciting feedback on the relationship with the current Lead Agency-9/12/2022
- December 2022 the Governance Board released a position statement on their stance regarding our relationship with the current Lead Agency and our review process (posted on the NC507 website).
- The Governance Board established a review of the Lead Agency identifying the following concerns:
  - Lack of capacity
  - Performance issues
  - Possible financial instability
  - Community complaints through the survey and community meetings
- In January 2023, there was an abrupt turnover in the Executive Leadership at The Partnership. After that turnover, the community and Wake County indicated a renewed commitment to working with The Partnership to rebuild/relaunch.
- Being a community-driven governance board, the Governance Board committed to allowing time for the community to work together with The Partnership to rebuild their capacity and relationships.
- The Governing Board then learned on 5/25/23, at a Community Meeting called by Wake County Leadership that Wake County and the City of Raleigh had made the decision to not fund The Partnership nor continue to support a relaunch of The Partnership.
- Upon learning this information at this meeting, and after requesting important information from The Partnership that was not provided, the Governance Board immediately contacted HUD Technical Assistance Providers and the HUD Field Office Reps for guidance on next steps.
- Based on concerns about potential issues around financial sustainability of The Partnership, along with the concerns expressed by Wake County at the Community Meeting, and continued system performance concerns, the NC 507 Governance Board voted to terminate our Memorandum of Understanding with The Raleigh Wake Partnership of Wake County.

# Update on Lead Agency



- **NC 507 Governance Board has met with The Raleigh Wake Partnership to End and Prevent Homelessness and have agreed upon transitioning the roles of Coordinated Entry Lead, HMIS Lead, and Collaborative Applicant to an agreed upon agency.**
- **The Governance Board has been in conversation with Wake County and would like to request that Wake County step into the Lead Roles in an emergency temporary capacity for the next 18-24 months, during which time the County would work to rebuild the capacity of the Lead Roles, and The Governing Board would work with the CoC Membership to develop an RFP process for each of the three Lead Roles: Coordinated Entry Lead, Collaborative Applicant Lead, and HMIS Lead.**
- **NC 507 Governance Board has also been meeting with HUD regarding required next steps which are:**
  - **Present the Board's desire to transfer the Lead Roles to Wake County effective July 1 - to the entire membership for a vote**
  - **If the CoC Membership votes to move forward with Wake County serving temporarily (18-24 months) in the Lead Roles, The Governing Board needs to submit a letter notifying HUD of these changes.**
  - **An amendment to the current MOU with The Partnership needs to be drafted and executed articulating expectations of The Partnership during the transition period.**
  - **A new MOU needs to be drafted and executed with Wake County to fulfill the three Lead Roles in this temporary capacity, and detailed timelines and plans need to be submitted to HUD for the transition of:**
    - **The Coordinated Entry Lead role needs to be transitioned by July 1, 2023**
    - **The Collaborative Applicant role needs to be transitioned by September 1, 2023**
    - **The HMIS Lead Role needs to be transitioned by December 31, 2023**

# Emergency Interim Response

- Our goal was to identify an entity to support our community without causing any gap in service.
- We contacted HUD TA and HUD Field Office for support with the transition.
- At the end of the transition period, we commit to establishing an ongoing process to monitor, evaluate, and select the strongest providers for each role going forward.

# Membership Vote

## CURRENT CoC MEMBERS (2023-2025)

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- Alliance Health
- Alternative Learning Center and Community Engagement, Inc
- Capital Area Workforce Development
- Cary Police Department
- CASA
- Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Raleigh
- City of Raleigh Government
- Dorcas Ministries
- Durham VA Health Care System
- Family Promise of Wake County
- Haven House Services
- Healing Transitions
- Interact
- NeighborhoodHealth Center
- Oak City Cares
- Oxford House Inc.
- Passage home
- PLM Families Together, Inc. dba Families
- Raleigh Police Department
- ReNew Mobile Showers
- Salvation Army of Wake County
- Ship Community Outreach
- SOAR Outreach
- St. John's Metropolitan Community Church
- The Caring Place
- The Green Chair Project
- The Hope Center at Pullen
- The Joel Fund
- The Raleigh Wake Partnership to End and Prevent Homelessness
- Town of Cary
- Triangle Apartment Association
- Triangle Family Services
- Urban Ministries of Wake County
- Volunteers of America
- Wake County Government
- Wake County Public School System
- WakeMed
- Western Wake Crisis Ministry
- Women Veterans Support Services

# Governance Board's Recommendation

NC 507 Governance Board is recommending the membership vote to ask Wake County to absorb all three required services for up to 2 years with potential to extend, and to establish a MOU agreed upon by all parties.

# Questions Comments

# ESG Timeline Stay Tuned



# Adjourn



Next Meeting:  
TBD

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