# Wake County CoC Governance Board Meeting

Thursday, June 4, 2026

9 – 10:30 am

NCWorks Career Center: 1830 Tillery Pl # B, Raleigh, NC 27604

# AGENDA

- Welcome & Introductions
- Standard Business*
- CoC System Updates
- Discussion:
  - CoC Charter and Written Standards*
  - HMIS Software Vendor RFP
  - Wake at Home
- June Meeting At-A-Glance

WAKE COUNTY
Continuum of Care - NC 507

# Welcome & Introductions

Meredith Yuckman, *Chair*

# 2026 Governance Board

| Name | | Organization | Seat |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wayne | Beatty | Wake County Sheriff's Office | Law enforcement |
| Amanda | Blue | Healing Transitions | Emergency Shelter |
| Eric | Braun | Independent Member | Legal expertise or systemic advocacy |
| Doris | Bullock | Arise Collective | Population-specific lived experience |
| Bonner | Gaylord | Independent Member | Business rep |
| Ashley | Lommers-Johnson | Raleigh Housing Authority | Raleigh Housing Authority |
| Quentin | Miles | Town of Zebulon | Non-Raleigh Wake County locale |
| Ann | Oshel | Alliance Health | Healthcare provider |
| Imogen | Rhodenhiser | Church of the Good Shepherd | Faith-based |
| Kayla | Rosenberg Strampe | DHIC | Landlord or AH developer |
| Onia | Royster | Triangle Family Services | Lived Experience |
| Nicole | Stewart | AJ Fletcher Foundation | Community Member |
| Pat | Sturdivant | Capital Area Workforce Development | Workforce development |
| Erika | Brandt | City of Raleigh Housing and Neighborhoods | City of Raleigh |
| Johnnie | Thomas | Independent Member | Lived Experience |
| KC | Buchanan | HOST | Population-specific lived experience |
| Nicole | Wilson | Durham VA Health Care System | Veterans or DV |
| Michele | Woodson | Wake County Public Schools | WCPSS or higher ed |
| Meredith | Yuckman | The Hope Center at Pullen | Prevention, street outreach, or diversion provider |
| Felts | Lewis | Housing Authority of Wake County | Housing Authority of Wake County |
| Mary | Lederle | Town of Cary | Non-Raleigh Wake County locale |
| Zach | Ward | Triangle Community Foundation | Philanthropic |

# Standard Business

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- CoC Board Meeting Minutes – May 2026*

# CoC System & Lead Agency Updates

Eileen Rosa

# 2026 Point in Time Result: Correction

- **Update:**
  - Initial results did not account for some movement between White Flag shelters.
  - Results are still considered preliminary until HUD “accepts” them. Typically, a technical assistance provider will review before final submission to HUD.

- **Next Steps:**
  - Update CoC Website
  - Identify ability to separate results by municipality

# Funding Opportunity Forecast

- HUD official postings may be made on grants.gov, however all require local competition which will be conducted via Wake CoC policies and procedures.

| Opportunity Name | Overview | Expected Post Date | Expected Due Date | Status |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project (YHDP)** | Focus on reducing the number of youth (under 25) experiencing homelessness. Funding for project types: TH/RRH, RRH, PSH, SSO, TH, and HMIS. | *05/15* | *07/29* | *Not yet posted.* |
| **HUD Continuum of Care (CoC)** | CoC Consolidated Application + Project Applications (RRH, PSH, TH, SSO, SSO-SO, SSO-CE, and HMIS). | *05/29* | *08/25* | *Wake LOI posted 05/29. NOFO released 06/01.* |
| **NC Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)** | Funding for project types: Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Prevention, RRH. Amount available based on NC Fair Share calculation for each CoC. | *06/09* | *08/24* | *Fair Share issued; decrease of $41k for Wake CoC.* |

# HUD CoC NOFO Overview

- HUD released the FY2026 CoC NOFO on Monday, June 1st.
  - The final submission deadline is Wednesday, August 26th
  - HUD Webinar this afternoon for all potential applicants.
  - Wake CoC Notice and Local Competition Timeline to be issued ASAP.

- As of 06/03, HUD has not yet published:
  - FY 2026 CoC Estimated ARD Reports
  - Detailed Instructions
    - FY 2026 CoC Application
    - FY 2026 CoC Priority Listing
    - FY 2026 Project Applications – all types
  - Navigational Guides

# NOFO Highlights

**HUD Priorities**

- Improving Outcomes
- Creating Competition to Improve Innovation and Accountability
- Restoring Balance to CoC
- Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self-Sufficiency
- Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency
- Advancing Public Safety for All
- Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations
- Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology

# NOFO Highlights

- Tier 1: 60% of Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)

| ***ESTIMATED*** | **Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN)** | **Estimated Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)** | **Tier 1 (60% of ARD)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| ***FY2025 ARD** (NOFO Rescinded) | $6,096,728 | $5,856,357 | $3,513,814 |

- Emphasis on supportive services, no explicit limit on permanent housing,
  - "Demonstrate that the CoC is investing adequately in supportive services by showing either:
    - through proposed CoC funding, leveraging, match, and other formal partnerships, the CoC is providing supportive services with a value of 50% of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand; or
    - 30% of their proposed CoC funding is used for supportive services relative to their Annual Renewal Demand."
    - *Not clear on if this includes supportive service line items in existing project budgets.*

# CoC Charter and Written Standards*

Eileen Rosa

# Overview

**Purpose:** Ensure compliance with local and federal CoC requirements.

- CoC Program Interim Rule (24 CFR 578.7(a)(9)) mandates CoCs establish centralized systems and written standards.
- Wake CoC Charter [Section III.B.]: “Wake CoC shall review and vote to approve its charter at least annually”. 24 CFR 578.7(5)
- Lead Agency MOU [Section V.B.14.]: “Establish, maintain, and review written standards for providing homelessness assistance programs.

**Background & Context:**

- Written Standards are an incorporated document with the Wake CoC Charter and required the most significant revision upon annual review this year.
- CoC Lead Agency Staff took primary initiative on review, consulting Committees, grantees, and Board leadership on proposed edits.

# Public Comments Received

| | Public Comments Received | Outcome/Edits Made |
|---|---|---|
| **Charter** | Pg. 17, right before Funding Review Committee, the sentence that starts with "To limit the undue influence… " still has a reference to the Leadership Council in that sentence…should be removed since there will not be a leadership council.<br><br>**Addtl Items Discussed:** Potential need for additional specifics on CoC Board closed session. | Remove reference to Leadership Council.<br><br>Closed session details sufficient for current operations. No additional detail necessary. |
| **Written Standards** | Flag to revisit benchmarks for emergency shelter exits.<br><br>**Addtl Items Discussed:**<br>• Opportunities for alignment across non-CoC funded programs<br>• Framework for updates to CE and HMIS Policies and Procedures (2026) | Benchmarks determined as consistent with federal guidelines and performance metrics. Operates as a target, not a requirement. |

# CoC Charter – Addtl Considerations

- **Board Seats**
  - Initial recommendations informed by anticipated HUD NOFO.
  - Among others Wake CoC currently meets, FY26 NOFO now includes additional points for following:
    - *a representative from a local court system managing Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) and/or other civil commitment processes; or from specialty courts (e.g., Mental Health Court, Drug Court, Care Court.)*

- **Proposed Approach:**
  - Remove second law enforcement seat, originally proposed under Charter edits, with court representative (see above).
  - Maximize points available for the CoC.

# Written Standards – Addtl Considerations

- Consultant review following public comment yielded additional edits
  - Language adjustments to align with CoC NOFO
  - Consistency across federal regulations
    - Flag that Equal Access Rule likely to be abolished by July.

- **Proposed Approach:**
  - Lead Agency incorporate additional edits.
  - Share both tracked changes and clean versions with CoC Membership prior to June meeting and requested vote.

# Action & Next Steps

**Board Action Requested:** Vote to approve Charter and Written Standards with edits to the CoC Membership for final adoption.

**Next Steps**

- Incorporate any edits as approved by CoC Board
- Distribute to CoC Membership with Agenda for June Meeting

| | Timeline |
|---|---|
| ~~Posted for Public Comment~~ | ~~05/14 – 05/22~~ |
| Board Vote to Send to Membership | 06/04 |
| Membership Motion/Mtg | 06/22 |
| Membership Voting Period (via online form) | 06/23 – 07/01 |

# HMIS Software Vendor RFP

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# HMIS Software Vendor RFP

**Background & Context:** Transition of HMIS grant and contracts to Wake County as CoC Lead Agency requires competition to remain compliant with the use of federal funds for HMIS implementation.

**Status:** Vendor demonstrations complete as of 05/01. Follow up questions and additional reference checks due by 06/05.

**Recommendation & Approval:** Clarified County procedures to provide a conditional award notice dependent on CoC Board approval. Recommendation for close meeting to review and vote.

**Does not require a vote today.*

# Wake at Home

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# Branding & Communication Materials

- Initial logo design:

- In progress
  - Minor edits to logo and style guide
  - Fundraising one pager/leave behind
  - Final slide deck and style guide

# Fiscal Agent

- **Overview:** CoC received three (3) responses to the RFI spanning different structures and organizational type.

- **Proposed Approach:** Convene Executive Committee for review and recommendation to the CoC Board.
  - CoC staff consulting with County Attorney Office and Procurement for additional steps related to duties outlined in the MOU.

# Service Provider Engagement

- **Proposed Approach:** Letter of Interest (LOI) for primary activities (Street Outreach and Housing Stabilization).
  - Flexibility for providers to express interest on activities and readiness timeline
  - Informs methods for distributing funds in short-term and long-term

- **Next Step:** Share proposed approach with Executive Director roundtable on Tuesday, 06/09.

# Preparing for Launch

- Official launch targeted for when we have:
  - Initial private investment partner **and/or**
  - Successfully decommission site through direct to housing approach

- **Note**:
  - This does not mean work is stopped!
    - Critical planning components advancing with Street Outreach Committee.
    - Infrastructure building via County and City contracts, etc.
  - Finalized materials will allow for additional “quiet campaign” amongst community partners and champions.

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# Adjourn

**Next Meeting:** Poll forthcoming.

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