

July 9, 2025
SCICoC Quarterly Board Meeting

Present: Kevin Bushur, Alexis Morton, Kelly Hardy, Jessica Pauley, Charity Griggs, Christa Hollinshead, Cindy Mayer, Fred Spannaus, Heather Meyers, Jamie Corda Hadjaoui, Jeremy Yost, Matt Jones, Paige Hanks, Rebecca Sudduth, Roselene Quick, Samantha McCullough, Victoria Campo, and Jodi Rusher

President, Kevin Bushur, called the meeting to order at 10:01am. Roll call was observed.

Board Application Training:

Fred discussed the purpose of reviewing application questions.

Minutes from April Meeting:

The minutes from the April meeting were contained in the packet. Roselene motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Samantha seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

- CoCBuilds NOFO Update – Jess discussed NOFO and reported that it was submitted on time, the feedback indicated that there needed to be a few adjustments to policy, that is currently being worked on. Anticipate hearing about the award in the next month or two. The project purpose, location were reviewed and information about the project was also provided.
- FY25 CoC NOFO Update – Fred discussed the difference between funding sources that are state funds and funding sources that are federal funds. The annual NOFO competition process was discussed. Changes were announced via email from the SNAPS office and that information was contained in the packet. No timelines have been established at this point. Previous timelines were discussed although they may not be the same for this FY25 NOFO. The CoC is preparing for a fast turnaround time as a possibility on this NOFO and will need CoC agency assistance to complete on time.

Committee Reporting:

- Executive Committee – Kevin reported that the committee had not met.
- HMIS Committee – Jess reported that monthly HMIS calls were continuing and are being turned into trainings that are recorded in an effort to build a training resource. A few questions from HUD regarding HIC and PIT counts have been asked by HUD. Those are being addressed. ERBA has hired a data specialist who will assist with back end work with HMIS.
- Membership & Marketing Committee – Jess reported that the committee is requesting that Heather Meyers take her role on the CoC Board and with the Veterans Committee. It is also being requested that Kami Percy take over Victoria Campo's role on the CoC Board for The Haven.
Roselene motioned to approve the changes to the CoC roster as presented. Jamie seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Planning and Assessment – Cindy reported that the committee met in June and continues to address gaps and priorities. The Risk Factor Assessment report was reviewed. It was a comprehensive report and gave good data that described community perceptions into why homelessness exists, what can be done to resolve the issue and who to refer to for services. Data regarding referral numbers also was included and reviewed. Income growth data which showed a decline in the most recent quarter related to the national average was also discussed. The Risk Factor Assessment Report may be included for acceptance at an upcoming meeting.
- Monitoring and Ranking – Roselene reported that the committee met in April. The committee accepted Samantha McCullough's resignation due to a conflict of interest as Samantha has accepted a board

position with the funded agency of HOPE. The committee reviewed the monitoring results and data with the board. The committee will also be looking at the new ESG Ranking Scale. Discussion was held into the scale. There was a discussion on the projects that can be funded through ESG. The committee is looking for general guidance from the board in regards to the question, does the CoC want to award points on the ranking scale based on the type of project proposed, giving preference for certain projects based on area need. After discussion of those projects which include Street Outreach, Homeless Prevention, Rapid Re-Housing, HMIS and Emergency Shelter. HMIS and Homeless Prevention are projects that do not apply to the current conversation because they are not priorities for the funding set forth by the State of Illinois. It was decided that input should be emailed to Fred to be shared with the committee.

- Coordinated Entry Committee – Jess reported that the committee met in June. Case managers were in attendance and provided good input for the upcoming training in Shelbyville. Trends and an increase in demand for services were also discussed.
- Lived Experience Committee – Jess reported that the group did not have a meeting last quarter and will be looking for more activity for the next quarter.

Sub Committees and Task Force Reports:

- Veterans – Heather reported that the committee met in June and discussed the By Names List (BNL). Statistics were provided on status of the 18 individuals who were unsheltered and what services and/or resources were being utilized by those. An update on Outreach Surges by the VA was provided and the committee is looking at the priorities of this project. VA's that are covered by the CoC service area were discussed and the board was informed that the VA surge may lead to individuals contacting agencies if someone from our area is looking for resources.
- SOAR – No updates.
- HIC/PIT – Jess discussed that the numbers likely will not change significantly, the group has asked clarifying questions and they are pending. The report was included in the packet and emailed to the board. Discussions regarding data categories and changes from this year's data requirements compared to last year's. The trends section is being finished up but they are likely to be consistent with last year's trends.
- Youth Action Board – Jess reported that the group is looking to meet every two weeks and looking to recruit more members who are the ages of 18-24. Members do receive a \$25 stipend for attendance. The committee is looking to build an on-boarding packet as well. YHSI Update – Monthly check in calls are occurring. Youth supporting MOU's have been signed and those are helping youth be more involved in the Youth Action Board. MOU agencies do get \$200 a month as a stipend. The committee is looking for more youth serving agencies. Members should let Jess know if they have youth or agencies, they may like to refer.

Samantha motioned to approve all committee actions and reports as presented. Heather seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

- Jess reported that Krista Hollinshead is replacing Lyn Carlen as the ERBA Lead Entity contact. Krista was welcomed and introduced.
- Letter Update from The Haven – The Haven was asked for an update and the letter included in the packet was their response. The remaining issues were noted in the letter. Information regarding timelines for replacing the Interim Director role and staffing updates were also included. Grant compliance with grant reporting was also addressed. The CoC had reached out to HUD and was referred back to ESG to work on getting Technical Assistance for The Haven. The CoC consultants have worked with The Haven to provide T.A. from the CoC those meetings have been scheduled with Fred and The

Haven. The goal is to assist The Haven in understanding CoC Compliance, policies and processes. Victoria provided an update and discussed her goal and the progress achieved in her time at The Haven.

- CoC Spending Report – Jess reported that the reports were included in the packet. It was requested that agencies review the reports for accuracy of grant numbers and ensure that all agencies and grants are listed accurately.
 - DCEO Workforce Pilot Update – Jess discussed the program and provided an update on services, training, meetings and the purpose. A training is scheduled on July 17, 2025. Members were encouraged to reach out to Jess if you have someone who would like to attend. One requirement is that they must be served in Shelter and/or Rapid Re-Housing but referrals are encouraged to be sent.
- IL-515 De-Briefing – Jess reported that information was included in the packet and scores were reviewed. The score was very high. The process will likely change for the next competition. One area that could be improved relates to income growth, which is an area that the CoC is working to address. Discussion was held into steps the CoC was taking. The connection between this priority and the DCEO Project was also discussed.

Other:

- Discussion was held regarding a need to move the next Board meeting to September 29, 2025 and for it to be held virtually starting at 10am.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55pm on a motion from Roselene, which was seconded by Kevin.

Respectfully Submitted by: Kelly Hardy