

**Leadership Team Meeting  
GVPHC  
GoTo Meeting, April 13, 2023  
Meeting Minutes**

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<b>3e Restoration</b> – L. Poley <b>Ezer Initiative</b> – <b>Five Loaves Pantry</b> – <b>ForKids</b> – S. Brackett <b>Four Oaks Day Center</b> – <b>Hampton DHS</b> – A. Hill, A. Nelson, A. Taylor <b>HELP</b> – M. Holup <b>HNNCSB</b> – J. Small <b>HRCAP</b> – <b>HVAMC</b> – <b>HUD VASH</b> – <b>James City County</b> – K. Denny, L. Tolley <b>LINK</b> – A. Ruffin <b>LGBT Life Center</b> – K. Rogers	<b>Menchville House</b> – C. Durden <b>Newport News DHS</b> – T. Snell, M. Taylor <b>The Heart of Giving</b> – J. Christian <b>The Planning Council</b> – K. Griffith, J. Dixon, A. Brandenburg <b>Transitions</b> – S. Deng <b>TSA - Hampton</b> – T. Satchell <b>United Way</b> – C. West <b>VAMC</b> – M. Chick-Ebey <b>VEC</b> – <b>WHOM</b> – B. Wildenberger <b>York County</b> – <b>Community Representatives</b> – <b>Guests</b> – L. Carruth, Project Hope
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**Minutes** – The March 9, 2023, meeting minutes were approved with two corrections – add name to Attendance and revise the start time of the JCC Rental Fair to 5:30 PM.

**Balance Report** –

- The balance as of March 8 is \$1,961.40.

**Upcoming Grants** –

- VHSP will be announced any time now and it is a renewal application year, so it is not competitive.
- HUD awards were announced, and renewals were all awarded but not any new projects. The score was below the national median.
- The Housing Trust Fund awards were announced. WHOM was awarded two grants as well as LINK of Hampton Roads. 3E was not funded for their request for a youth project.

**By-Laws Review** –

- Co-Chair Elections – Charvalla announced that both Co-Chairs will be cycling off in June as they have served the maximum years. Charvalla requested everyone consider the positions who are experienced and have the time. Nominations should be submitted to Amanda by the end of April as the new Co-Chairs will be voted on at the May Membership meeting.

**Current Grants** –

- Project Hope ARP: Lynne Carruth presented the funding that is coordinated by Project Hope that requires every school district to have a responsible staff position to work with homeless students and their families. They conduct outreach, get them registered, and offer every kind of support that is available to ensure the children thrive in schools. School divisions have funding to support the children with supplies, transportation and more to allow the child to remain in their home school if desired. The funds can also be used for doubled up families, pay fees for summer school programs, car seats/strollers. Funding is very flexible and can provide 3 days of hotel stay if needed.

Project Hope received additional funding from the American Rescue Plan in 2021 and the Virginia allocation increased to \$13 million to be spent by September 30, 2024. The purpose is much the same as it's always been

with a bit more flexibility. Some is being used to provide vehicles, contract with cab service to be on call, hire interpreters, tutoring/mentoring, vision/hearing tests, medical exams, missing documentation, backpacks, haircuts, etc. Many liaisons work directly with shelters serving families, so they have used the funds to build resource rooms with washer/dryers, even a playground for a shelter. Gas cards are being provided to the families with the caveat that there is increased attendance.

Lynne encouraged the members to reach out to their homeless liaison to find ways to expend the funds where needed. The input of the service providers in this is vital for the funding to be successful.

Data around parenting and pregnant teens is not provided by the schools but it is a growing issue. ForKids is also seeing this in their shelters.

- Performance Data Plan:

Amanda Brandenburg presented the Performance Management Dashboard that demonstrates the measures that are related to both the system and project-level. Then she presented the HUD Debrief document that shows how many points were scored for each section. GVPHC scored 138, below the national median score of 154.5. The group discussed the loss of Rapid Rehousing points to figure out why there has been a decline over many years within RRH beds, which are 10 points. The group then discussed the length of time homeless measure and what impacts that, including Coordinated Assessment. The group went through each data point to agree on targets that the entire CoC will aim for.

Amanda reminded the group that the May meeting will be around quarterly reports (Jan – Mar 2023) so agencies need to complete them and submit them before the next meeting.

- HNNCSB Shelter Plus Care grant:

Jenn announced that the grant will be amended so that HNNCSB will be the fiscal agent instead of NNRHA.

#### **Strategic Plan –**

- The May meeting will include a discussion around the structure of committees to align with the plan.

#### **Committee Updates –**

- Not discussed

#### **Roundtable Updates –**

- Angel Hill announced that the DHCD representative is requesting changes to the remittances that get submitted. Tamia requested monthly remittances from partners to HDHS. Allison requested not only monthly remittances but also needs Admin costs broken out, so she suggested that be on a separate page. Scanned receipts are not always clear so please pay attention to that. Staff titles and date ranges are also being missed. The group wants to discuss if a collaborative application still makes sense. That decision will need to be made by the 2024 competitive application to DHCD for VHSP funds.
- Becki announced that the WHOM Executive Director, Shannon, resigned and Becki's position is also changing. Kris Magnusson will most likely represent WHOM at GVPHC meetings.
- VAHC conference is May 1-4 at the Portsmouth Renaissance hotel.
- JCC Rec Center is hosting its Rental Fair at 5:30 on Monday, April 17, 2023.

**Next meeting:** May 11, 2023, 9:00 AM *in person at United Way Virginia Peninsula (101 York Crossing, Yorktown)*