



**SVHC General Membership
MEETING MINUTES**

MARCH 9, 2022

Attendees:

Shantelle Haggins, The Planning Council
Darla Johnson, Salvation Army Hope Village
Felicia Motteler; Virginia Supportive Housing
Sharon Blackwell, Chesapeake Regional Medical
Nicole Outerbridge; City of Norfolk
Rebecca Brown, Senior Services
Nathan Ruckman; LGBT Life Center
Olivia Smithberger, HER Shelter
Kianna Boone; STAR Haven
April Freeman, VBCDC
Elizabeth Elliot; VBCDC
Georgene Moravec, YWCA

Christina Drake, City of Chesapeake
Carol Wilson; Virginia Premier Health
Vantoria Clay, Endependence Center
Mary Riley, City of Chesapeake
Barbara Wagner, Virginia Supportive Housing
Alicia Matthew; St. Columba
Kristen Pine; YWCA
Maddi Zingraff; Virginia Supportive Housing
Stacie Walls; LGBT Life Center

Welcome- Shantelle Haggins called the meeting of the Southeastern Virginia Homeless Coalition (SVHC) to order.

Approval of Minutes: Nathan Ruckman made a motion to approve the minutes. Alicia Mathews seconded the motion. Minutes were approved for the January 12th, 2022, General Membership meeting.

Program Spotlights

Addressing Social Determinants in Underserved Communities: Presenter Sharon Blackwell with Chesapeake Regional Healthcare. Sharon focuses on multi-visit emergency room patients. Past research has shown that South Norfolk had the highest need for resources. With this information, Women's Wellness Wednesday was created to address social determinants that negatively impact health, cause barriers to good primary care and lead to excessive use of the Emergency Department. At the event, women were presented with many resources, such as a diabetes prevention program, flu shots, mammograms, mobile food markets and drug deactivation kits. It will be renamed Wellness Wednesday. Chesapeake Regional Health care plans to host another event in June. Further details will be provided soon.

Virginia Premier Safe Housing: Presenter Carol Wilson with Virginia Premier. Sentara obtained majority ownership of Virginia Premier in 2020. Virginia Premier's statewide enrollments is 355,000 people. It was determined that at least 923 of their clients in the Tidewater area are dealing with housing instability issues. Of the cases in 2021, they

determined that contacting clients was a huge barrier. Lifeline Phone partnership provides people with access to internet and phone services, if the client meets the income criteria. It has been determined that people with reoccurring hospital visits tend to have housing insecurity issues. Virginia Premier is working to stabilize clients.

Business

DHCD: Funding is available through DHCD.

Governing Board Report

- There will be meeting held on March 21, 2022 to review VHSP funding.

RoundTable Updates

- Norfolk is holding a public meeting on March 10, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. to discuss their annual plan.

Next Meeting – Next Meeting on May 9th, 2022, at 12:30 p.m. Virtual