



SOUTH CAROLINA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, March 14, 2024, 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Meeting held at SC Department of Mental Health

2414 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201

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| I. | Welcome and Roll Call | Lorain Crowl | (5) |
| II. | Approval of September Meeting Minutes (Action Item) | Bruce Forbes | (5) |
| III. | Financial Report (Action Item) <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Financials to-dateb. 990 (IRS & Sec State)c. D&O Insurance Premium | Bruce Forbes | (5) |
| IV. | Updates on Action Items Since Jan Mtg <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. CoC/PHA Surveyb. Annual PSH Training Seminar (Aug 26-28) 3hr session for SCICH/HUDc. SCICH Official Recognition (Mtg with Joe Savage, USICH Rep)d. CoC's NOFO Debriefings (CPD Suggested SCICH possibly host NOFO Training)e. May 7 CoC/PHA Roundtable 11-2pm (Youth Count and PIT Session Included)f. Data Report Update for 2024 State Report | Lorain Crowl | (15) |
| V. | Guest Speakers to introduce Doris Duke Foundation/
SCDSS Homeless Prevention Initiative | Steven Ferrufino | (30) |
| VI. | SCICH Purpose & Mission Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Results of Feb 9 meetingb. Discuss steps forward | Lorain Crowl/All | (20) |
| VII. | Open the Floor for CoC and Statewide Agency Updates | | (10) |



MINUTES FOR MARCH 14, 2024

Attendance: Brandon Lilienthal, City of North Charleston, Low Country CoC; Shannon Nix, SCCADVASA; Ana Garcia, SC Housing; Terre Marshall, SC Dept of Corrections; Amy Wilson, One80 Place; Michele Murff, SCDMH; Lorain Crowl, Leadwell 360; Ann Gowdy, Univ of SC College of Social Work; Bruce Forbes, SHARE and Upstate CoC; Amanda Bonner, HUD VASH Dorn Veterans Affairs; Terri Davis, Homeless Programs VHA; Shelanda Deas, SC Dept of Employment & Workforce; Birley Wright, SC Dept of Education; Steven Ferrufino, SC DSS; Margaret Tillman, SC Commission for Minority Affairs

Welcome: Lorain took roll call and welcomed everyone.

Approval of January Minutes: The January 2024 SCICH Minutes were approved.

Financial Report: Bruce informed the group we started with a balance of \$152,329.28. We spent \$84.99 to electronically submit SCICH's 990 EZ form. The ending balance is \$152,244.29.

Bruce also informed the group that Lorain and Bruce are now the official SCICH signature holders for the account. In addition, SCICH also has a debit card kept in Bruce's possession at his SHARE office for any SCICH needed business.

Next up is to submit SCICH 990 to SC Secretary of State. Also, SCICH's Directors and Officers Insurance with the Philadelphia Insurance Companies ends May 30, 2024. Current policy cost \$1,569 for one year. Lorain is looking at another insurance vendor to see what their coverage and cost will be.

SC DSS Partnership with Doris Duke Foundation: Steven spoke about a wonderful partnership with Doris Duke Foundation to create an Opt-In Initiative to help families in the child welfare system. South Carolina was selected to partake in this 3-year endeavor. There will be two years for planning and one year for implementation. Opt-In is for families in poverty to help them with a variety of needs such as housing, employment, food, prescriptions, transportation, child care, etc. There is good bipartisan support from Congress because this shows how best to use federal dollars to help reduce poverty. Go to:

<https://www.dorisduke.org/news--insights/articles/doris-duke-foundation-launches-new-opt-in-for-families-initiative-to-refocus--the-child-welfare-system-on-prevention/>

From their website – "Opportunities for Prevention & Transformation (Opt-in for Families), a new initiative that aims to transform our nation's response to children at risk of abuse and neglect by helping jurisdictions build a prevention-oriented child well-being system that supports children and families within their communities.

Three other jurisdictions -- OR, KY, and DC – began their Opt-In Initiative in 2023. They will be a reference point for SC. Unfortunately, the guest speakers from Doris Duke Foundation were unable to attend today's meeting.

Meeting with Public Housing Authorities on May 7th:

SCICH wishes to have HUD strongly encourage this partnership between CoCs and PHAs because CoCs are scored on their NOFOs as to how good this partnership is. SCICH and the CoCs wish decision-makers from PHAs to be present. CoCs wish to explain what they can and can't do, and ask that PHAs also share what they can and can't do. SCICH is willing to facilitate ongoing training and support for CoCs/PHAs to work better together.

August 26-28, 2024 is the PHA Association meeting in Myrtle Beach, SC:

Carolina Council for North Carolina and South Carolina Public Housing Authorities. Janice Fowler with the Greer, SC PHA is the current Chair. There will be three hours set-aside for SCICH and CoCs to speak with the Carolina Council (specifically the SC PHAs) to share what we want to accomplish with bettering our partnership with PHAs.

Ann Gowdy asked each member to find out what Conferences are we connected with and see if SCICH can get in front of these audiences.

SCICH Website: It would be good to add State Agency tabs and links as well as all SCICH partners. Also, having a good Contact List with accurate Contact Information would be helpful for all SCICH partners and members. Contacts for Homeless and Eviction Courts throughout the state. All of the CoCs. And a link to the Youth Count survey.

Announcements:

- April is Sexual Assault Month.
- April is also Reentry Month.
- State Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) has released their Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) application on their website.
- HUD VASH will invite veterans into their system sometime around June/July

PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT FROM LORAIN ABOUT ADDITIONAL TOPICS DISCUSSED TODAY.

Respectfully submitted by Bruce Forbes, SCICH Secretary/Treasurer.