

Detroit Continuum of Care | Board of Directors

Working to Equitably End Homelessness in Detroit, Highland Park, & Hamtramck

Board Members Present

Amy Brown
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Catherine
Distelrath Celia
Thomas
Chioke Mose-
Telesford Deloris
Cortez
Donna Price
Eleanor
Bradford Erica
George Gerald
Curley Katie
Zeiter Tasha
Gray
Elizabeth Vasquez
Terra Linzner
Vanessa Samuelson
Joy Flood

Absent Board Members

June White
Sharyn Johnson
Ray Shipman
Shawntae Harris Mintline

Excused Board Members

Ted Phillips

General Public

Tamara Gaines
Deb Drennan Amanda
Sternberg Marguerite
Lawrence Sarah Prout Rennie
Tom Molina-Duarte Jim Glain
Jane Scarlett Vineta Mitchell
Sonya Gregory Jacquelyn
Perkins Melissa Fernandez
Claire Wilke
Kaitie Giza Desiree'
Arscott Taura Brown
Denise Goshton Kevin
Bryant Elyse Bender Kiana
Harrison
Benjamin Slightom Joey
Merchant Charlotte Clapham
Lindsey Gilmore Diandra
Gourlay Patricia Parker
Kelsey Grigal
Erika Hoover Shani
Campbell
Madeline Reneaud Candace
Morgan Kevin Roach Jeremy
Cugliari Courtney Smith
Donna Lyons
Heidi Raubenolt Viki
DeMars Hannah Wagner
Amy Senese
Alyssa Rietveld
Benne Baker Brenda Jones
Candace Morgan Denise Goshton
Jeremy Cugliari Joey Merchant
John Stoyka
Julia Janco Kelsey Holliday Kiana
Harrison Lauren Licata Lindsey
Gilmore Luke Hassevoort
Madison Nez
Matthew Tommelein ReGina
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January 10, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

Welcome and Introductions:

Amy B. opened the meeting at 2:03 pm with introductions – utilizing the chat box.

Executive Committee Report & Announcements:

Summary –

PIT Reminder

- The Point in Time count will be happening on Wednesday, January 26th.

Executive Committee Transitions

- Multiple people will be transitioning off, or have already transitioned off of the Executive Committee, including the following folx: Amy Brown, Vanessa Samuelson, and DaJuan Smith

COVID Test Availability

- COVID tests are available through the City of Detroit and MSHDA, considering the recent surge we've been seeing related to COVID-19.

Consent Agenda

November Board Meeting Minutes

The floor was opened for questions. None were asked.

- We held the vote until later in the meeting in order to reach quorum.
 - o Gerald motioned to approve the December 2021 Board Minutes. Donna seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Race Equity

Summary –

- At this point, attendees separated into breakout groups and further discussed racial equity, specifically actions that could be taken to create a more equitable environment in the CoC.

Strategic Plan

Summary –

- The City of Detroit is going through a planning process, asking what would it look like to develop a Strategic Plan, with benchmarks and priorities to guide the work and funding of the CoC. There is the goal of bringing in a consultant to move this work forward, and currently folx are looking at how the process should be started and who would be included.

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2021 CoC Competition Application Debrief

Summary –

- This meeting's CoC Competition Application Debrief will cover projects, funds, and opportunities, with a second presentation in the February or March meeting. The following points were made during the debrief:
 - The CoC competition closed in November
 - The application allocated \$28 million in funding for renewal projects, and \$3 million in funding for new projects
 - Specific funding announcements will be communicated by February, or by the first quarter
 - Most funding went to PSH programs
 - Three application rounds were held for new project funding
 - Provider capacity challenges include the pandemic, and the related need to use up current COVID funding

HOME ARP:

Summary –

HOME American Rescue Plan has awarded Detroit 16 million in funding new or rehabbed PSH units to address chronic homelessness, with 3 million also earmarked for leveraging existing supportive services. There is additionally a NOFA for one congregate shelter to de-congregate. \$665,000 will go towards staff capacity, 3 million for admin staff to work with the Housing and Revitalization Department. Since there will be funding for improving shelter environments, this opportunity is different than previous grants.

The plan will be submitted on March 1st to HUD. Contact wilkec@detroitmi.gov, and you can view this template for more information: [HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Template - HUD Exchange](#).

Next Steps –

HOME ARP will also be discussed at the [CoC Covid webinar](#) on the 28th

CoC Admin

Summary –

- CoC Board Docs should be filled out and sent to kaitie@handetroit.org.
- CoC Board Elections are being held at the next General Membership meeting. There are four open Homeless Service Provider seats open, two Member at Large seats open, and two Community Advocate seats open. The vote to approve multiple people applying for a seat on the CoC Board from the same organization unanimously passed, after having been motioned by Celia and seconded by Kaitie. Voting on two separate situations of two people applying from the same organization both passed. The first vote was motioned by Gerald and seconded by Eleanor, while the second vote was motioned by Donna and seconded by Eleanor.

Next Steps –

- Return Board Documents by February 1st.

Amy B. closed the meeting at 4:30pm. *The next CoC Board meeting will be on Monday, January 10th, 2022 from 2 – 4:30pm. Location will continue to be virtual.*

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