

# Ocean County Homeless Prevention and Assistance Coalition

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## Full Membership Meeting Minutes

Monday May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 | 10am – 12pm

Welcome & Introductions

**Presentation:** Cristine Knight from HR Recovery (Human Trafficking)

Approval of Minutes from March 18, 2024 - Approved

**Executive Board Update-** Local Selection Application has been sent out; app is due June 7<sup>th</sup>. Technical assistance meeting is Thursday at 10am. We just updated the By-Laws.

**State Update-**Site administrator training Wed at 10am; General User training Thursday at 10am; email Jackie Robinson with any questions.  
[JRobinson@NJHMFA.gov](mailto:JRobinson@NJHMFA.gov)

**Code Blue** -last Code Blue alert was March 24<sup>th</sup>. We are working with Brick Township. They are very interested in having a Code Blue warming center somewhere in Brick. I will be doing a presentation for interested sites in a couple of weeks.

**Federal Updates-** Just submitted our Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) and we are waiting for the NOFO to be released.

**County Updates** – starting monitoring process for ARPA projects. There are 2 additional solicitations out. Acquisitions and Innovations to address Homelessness and the other is Young Adult Bridge Housing. They are on the Open Procurement Portal

### Workgroups & Committee Reports

- **Permanent Housing Committee** – last met in beginning of April. That was Katie's last day. We are looking for a new Chair and put it out there at that meeting. We are still looking.
- **Veterans Committee** -met Monday May 13<sup>th</sup> at that time we added 5 new veterans to the by names list and housed 2. Next meeting will be June 10 at 2pm
- **PIT** - don't have an update yet. Monarch data staff is just about finished. Should have a report by next meeting
- **Outreach-** Continues to meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of each month at 10am. Lots of events. BEAT Center continues to do monthly community day and AHA and Toms River Housing Coalition

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do a monthly community day, as well.

- Coordinated Assessment – no updates

**Agency Updates & Announcements-** TRHHC has Agency days 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month has mobile showers and lots of agencies come in. We have a once a month partnership meeting, where we have a lot of churches, 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of the month at 4:30pm. Strong need for gas cards.

Alan Ferraro-McKinney-Vento-Services for homeless students-embarking on a partnership with colleges. Helping with financial aid-computers, gift cards for books and giving the colleges information for where to reach out for these students. DCP&P has indicated that there are some vouchers for these students. We will be reaching out to them.

Heather Lynn-BOSS-still has funds for back rent, back utilities, 1<sup>st</sup> month's rent, security deposit.

Taharka-Therapy Homes, has availability for men in Beachwood or Jackson. Looking to open a new home for women shortly.

[taharka@therapyhomes.org](mailto:taharka@therapyhomes.org)

AHA have a Home Sharing staff person. His name is Joe Lewis and he is searching for 1 person households that would be interested in a paying roommate.

MHA-utility day-I will send out flyer

Ocean Inc-chat has link to all of our outreach.

Alice from Harbor House-passed zoning board to move forward to pursue as a family shelter.

Eileen-Ocean County College-Work Force Development-maybe Georgian Court can house some homeless students from OCC

Just Believe-DASH and another grant extended through December. As of January we have 115 permanently housed. Doing a lot of work in Lakewood, Little Egg Harbor and Toms River

Sarah-Family Promise had a family sign a lease and move out, so the shelter has some room. Still has DASH and prevention programs available.

Adjournment

Next meeting: **July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 10am**

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