



Orange County Homeless Veterans Working Group
Meeting Notes, September 21, 2016, 9-10:00am
Southern Human Services Center, Room D

Present: Amanda Cantrell, Betsy Corbett, Jonathan Crooms, Tara May, Corey Root

- Welcome & Updates
 - Agency Updates
 - DSS-job fair at university mall; veterans memorial to be built near Southern Human Services Center on land donated by county; dedication at the site on Veterans Day; Veterans Day breakfast at Passmore Center in Hillsborough-anyone welcome
 - Durham VA-all vouchers are dedicated to veterans currently; trying to get more from Durham housing authority; maybe some room to negotiate with Orange Housing authority; Lindsay promoted to chief, her position will be filled soon, Doneicia Johnson will be new shelter outreach staff
 - VoA-renewed for new grant year; waiting for Oct. for money to come through;(1.5 mill-same as last year) **will they do anything differently than last year?** Changes from SSVF and VoA will be discussed next week at training meeting-update next month; some money may be focused on prevention; past money has largely been prioritized for RRH; **Jonathan will send out updated grant map when it becomes available**
 - OCEPH-gearing up for Project Connect; CoC app submitted last week
- Veteran stand-down in Durham was Sept. 16, went well; Durham has received USICH certification of ending veteran chronic homelessness
- CoC community application
 - Review of Veteran Strategic Goals - **Corey will send veterans section of CoC application to review in October**
- Triangle-wide collaboration
 - Helpful because veterans often go between county lines, are seen by multiple counties' services; don't see Wake-Orange nearly as often as Durham-Orange
- Consent Form
 - **Corey will revise both groups' consent forms and send to Charlotte to be approved by lawyer**
 - Hope to start in October with review of by-name list
- Wrap up
 - **Next Meeting: Friday, October 21**