

Meeting Minutes

1. Leadership Council Meeting Introduction

- Ginny Hensley called the meeting to order and welcomed Noe Rodriguez from the Tulsa Day Center as the next Provider Representative.
- Attendance is reflected after minutes.

2. Discussion & Approval of:

- Approval of January 2024 Minutes*
 - Major Alexander requested the ROI be changed to Release of Information in the minutes. Lead agency will make that change.
 - Ginny Hensley called for a motion to approve the January minutes. Lacrosha Jackson moved to approve. James Rea seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- A New Leaf Letter of Support* - Maranda Figueroa
 - A New Leaf, provider of safe and affordable housing for people with intellectual disabilities, asked for a letter of support to go with their grant application. The draft letter was included in the meeting packet.
 - Ginny Hensley called for a motion to approve the letter of support. Beth Svetlic moved to approve. Elizebeth Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. Lead Agency Updates

- HUD FY23 Awards- Becky Gilgo
 - We are now 100% funded. The \$4,759,774 will cover 6 PSH projects, 4 rapid rehousing projects, 1 transitional housing project, 1 joint component traditional rapid rehousing project, 1 HMIS project, coordinated entry, and expansion for technical assistance support for the system.
- CEO Search – Brian Kurtz
 - Mark Smith has been named the new CEO for Housing Solutions. He is currently the Director of Strategic Planning for the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County (CFTH). In this role, he leads the overall strategy and daily activities of The Way Home Continuum of Care, which is managed by CFTH and is similar to A Way Home for Tulsa, Tulsa's continuum of care. Mark will officially begin April 1.
- Task Group Updates
 - Strategic Planning Task Group - Erin Velez

- Homebase is leading the next phase of Strategic Planning for AWH4T. This will be a 6-month process to review what we have done and what should happen next.
- Look for emails with updates.
- Communications- Ginny Hensley
 - We have the tools and reports from the Housing Narrative Lab and are working to develop a strategy to utilize this information throughout the continuum.
 - We meet every two weeks. If you are interested in joining this task group, please reach out to Ginny Hensley.
- Coordinated Outreach-Chelsea Butler
 - Chelsea Butler is the new Director of Outreach & Engagement at Housing Solutions. She brings her experience and expertise from the Landlord Tenant Resource Center to this work.
 - Chelsea will be reaching out to other outreach groups to connect.
- Data Report, Olivia Denton Koopman
 - Data report is included after minutes.
 - Lack of permanent supportive housing is still the major takeaway from the data report.
 - Keeping an eye on the BIPOC data and working with the Hub to come up with wrap-around services.
 - Across the country the 2022-2023 Pit Count was sent to Congress, and we fall about 2%-4% from the national average.

4. Meeting Topics

- Debt study & Legislative Updates- Katie Dilks
 - Katie Dilks reviewed the Consumer Debt Collection Study.
 - We wanted to put numbers to the number of people who are experiencing debt collection and how it is impacting their life experience.
 - In Oklahoma, consumer debt collection cases are the most common civil case type.
 - Study is included after minutes.
- Oklahoma Academy Town Hall Recommendations Lynn Thompson
 - Report included after minutes.
- Housing Strategy Update
 - Partner Tulsa is in the final stretch of finalizing the Strategy and is preparing for its release.
- Task Force update Travis Hulse

- City Lights has been selected to run the Low-Barrier Shelter. They are currently working with the city to identify a location.

5. Meeting Wrap-Up

- Public Comments
 - Jeff Jaynes gave updates on legislation to keep an eye on.
- Next LC Meeting – March 12, 2024
- Meeting Adjourned

**Items to be voted on by Leadership Council*

LC Attendance

	Name	Representing	Category	Term
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ginny Hensley, Chair	Tulsa Housing Authority	Fixed Position, Appointed	03/2022 - 02/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mayor Bynum	City of Tulsa	Fixed Position, Appointed	09/2022 - 08/2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	James Rea	Tulsa County	Fixed Position, Appointed	09/2022 - 11/2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Noe Rodriguez			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Claudia Brierre	INCOG	Fixed Position, Appointed	03/2022 - 02/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rhonda Clemons	Cherokee Nation	Tribal Representative, Appointed	05/2023 - 04/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vacant	Muscogee Creek Nation	Tribal Representative, Appointed	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sarah Grounds	City Lights Foundation	Provider Representative, Elected	01/2023 - 09/2025
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Beth Svetlic	Youth Services of Tulsa	Provider Representative, Elected	04/2023 - 3/2025
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lacreshia Jackson	Participant Advisory Group	Consumer Representative, Elected	1/2024-12-2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Demeter Randy	Youth Advisory Board	Consumer Representative, Elected	1/2024-12/2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lauren Sherry	QuikTrip Corporation	Business/Commerce Representative, Invited	04/2023 - 03/2025
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Elizabeth Hall	Burnstein Family Foundation	Funder Representative, Invited	04/2023 - 03/2025
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jesse Guardiola	Tulsa Area United Way	At-Large Representative, Invited	10/2023 - 09/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vacant		At-Large Representative, Invited	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Horten	JusticeLink	At-Large Representative, Invited	10/2023 - 09/2025
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Richard Alexander	Tulsa Police Department	At-Large Representative, Invited	05/2022 - 04/2024