



## **Point in Time (PIT) Committee Meeting Minutes**

Monday, December 14, 2020 1:00 pm- 2:00 pm

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### 1. Introductions

City of Madison, Sankofa BCH, TRC, The Road Home, Legal Action of Wisconsin, MACH OneHealth, ICA, VA Outreach, Mia (no agency)

### 2. Select note taker -Sara AJ, Sankofa

### 3. Agenda items

- a. Overview of the Point in Time Count of Homelessness (PIT) -Sarah L Powerpoint
- b. 2020 January PIT Results-Sarah L Powerpoint
- c. Plans for 2021 PIT

#### i. **Date: 1/27/21**

#### ii. HUD guidelines for 2021 PIT- Sarah L powerpoint

1. ESG funded agencies do NOT have to participate just because they are funded, if not needed.

#### iii. Dane CoC Unsheltered Count Methodology Discussion

##### **1.Full count or partial count: finalize next meeting**

Sarah spoke with outreach partners during weekly calls/Wednesday coordination-most folks are connected to outreach resources which will help with identifying locations and numbers of those who are unsheltered-could do full count with additional support, probably no volunteers. Wednesday outreach can get counts while delivering on that day.

#### **Discussions:**

**a) Why do we ask questions if we do not need to? Is it required? What are the pros/cons of asking the questions? (Survey)** Data is important for various

reasons-will be truer number for those unsheltered due to pandemic; data information needed for funding/resources; could prioritize questions/data to limit invasive questions.

**b) Informal count vs formal count?**

**c) Leveraging HMIS information from outreach workers (known consumers) vs asking full survey.**

d) HUD gave some flexibility due to pandemic. We can request waivers for exceptions. Count can be done at any point in the day, not just at night.

**2. Counting Timeframe: discuss at next meeting**

HUD will allow 14 days vs typical 7 days; potential start/end dates

**3. Outreach workers only or recruit additional volunteers:**

Likely using outreach programs only; plan for car camper counting; Urban Triage-families and car campers-as possible resources

**Jesse:** Updated on other communities: others are doing full count at this time; using google form for the survey (as an app)

**Molly:** Updated on Portland, OR PIT count: Takes several months to prepare for 'street count'; can find out regarding new COVID process; Divvied up by location to count larger areas; Coordinated efforts between agencies to ensure most folx counted over the 7 days timeframe; recruited non-traditional outreach workers, ie) park rangers, security guards; agreement with law enforcement to stop any sweeps during that time to ensure folx are counted.

**4. Discuss at next meeting on 12/28/2020 at 1pm.**

1. Dane CoC Unsheltered Count Methodology Approval (if needed)
2. Data Collection-google form, etc
3. What does the survey look like this year
4. Car campers
5. Counting time frame

If you need meeting materials in another format, please contact the Committee co-chairs:

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