

# Vermont Balance of State Continuum of Care

## VCEH Balance of State Continuum of Care

Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday May, 21 2024

10:00-11:30 am

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81144850126?pwd=WTJxdHcxZTRNbzF6Q1JlKkMkdKMIM0QT09>

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### Meeting Minutes

10:00 Call to Order & Attendance

10:03 Consider approval of minutes for Balance of State CoC Board meeting held on Tues Apr 16, 2024. Minutes are available here, <https://helpingtohousevt.org/minutes/>

- **Mary makes a motion to approve; motion seconded; motion passes!**

10:05 HHAV Organizational & Legislative Update, Frank Knaack

- Frank discussed the changes to FY25 GA Emergency Housing, and budgets/funding for various programs, including the potential veto of certain appropriations by the Governor. Additionally, Frank urged support for the Governor's urgent proposal, H. 687, aimed at setting up overdose prevention centers in Vermont.
- [FY25 General Assistance Emergency Housing](#)
- [FY25 Housing Shelter and Services Appropriations](#)
- [HHAV GDrive](#)
- Email Frank if you'd like to be added to his Friday email updates: [fknaack@hhav.org](mailto:fknaack@hhav.org)

VT BoS CoC staff report, Molly Shimko

- Reminder to please send in your Board Member Agreement & COI if you have not yet! You have received an email if you've not yet returned your items.
- Molly provided updates a successful VT BoS CoC and local housing coalition strategic planning meeting on 5/17 – stay tuned for next steps!
- ICA successfully submitted both the VT BoS CoC PIT and HIC! The PIT report will be released in the next few weeks!
- We have released our RFP and Application for FY24 CoC Grant New Projects! Access the RFP and application [HERE](#). [Access the RFP and application HERE](#).
  - Info sessions on the new project RFP will be happening on Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday June 12<sup>th</sup>. [Link to join Zoom meetings available HERE](#).
- We are ongoing efforts to strengthen various committees, and will be discussing our committees at upcoming meetings.

- 10:20 **Vote warned for VT BoS CoC Board (\*See list of current board members below):**  
Vote to approve the nomination of Marie Lennon to VT Bos CoC Board
- **Mary makes a motion to approve; Casey seconds the motion; motion passes! Welcome to the board, Marie!**
- 10:25 **Vote warned for VT BoS CoC Board (\*See list of current board members below):**  
Vote to approve the [2024 NOFO New Projects RFP \(Request for Proposals\)](#)
- **Ari makes a motion to approve, Mary seconds the motion; the motion passes!**
  - Access the RFP and application [HERE](#). [Access the RFP and application HERE](#).
    - Info sessions on the new project RFP will be happening on Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday June 12<sup>th</sup>. [Link to join Zoom meetings available HERE](#).
- 10:45 CoC Grant NOFO Discussions: VT State Housing Authority CoC-PSH (Permanent Supportive Housing) "Shelter+Care" Programs (Statewide and Pathways) funded by the CoC Grant NOFO in FY22 and FY23, Daniel Blankenship
- [VSHA CoC Program Report](#)
- 11:00 CoC Grant NOFO Discussions: Institute for Community Alliances Homelessness Management Information Services (HMIS) Projects funded by the CoC Grant NOFO in FY22 and FY23, Meghan Morrow Raftery
- [ICA VT BoS CoC HMIS Funding Presentation](#)
- 11:15 VT BoS CoC Committee Reports:
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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Coordinated Entry         | Veterans Committee                   |
| Membership Committee      | Youth Committee                      |
| HUD CoC Funding Committee | Education and Training Committee     |
| Point-In-Time Committee   | Homelessness Awareness Day Committee |
| HMIS Advisory Committee   | Strategic Planning                   |
- Coordinated Entry: Ari provided an update on the CE committee's progress in incorporating prevention and at-risk elements into their work. This involves updating assessment tools, policies, and procedures, and rethinking medium-term referrals. The committee aims to finalize recommendations by June, with the housing authority expressing interest in incorporating coordinated entry into their affordable housing application process.

Announcements

**\*2024 VT BoS CoC Board Members**

Amos Meacham (for Lindsay Mesa)	Jessica Makela
Ari Kisler	Jonathon Ruiz
Casey Winterson	Kate Logan
Chris Mitchell	Kate Rohdenburg
Dan Handy	Kathi Partlow
Jason Brill	Kim Anetsberger
Jess Graff	Lee Trapeni

Lou-Anne Wood  
 Marie Lennon  
 Mark Demers

Mary Gerisch  
 Rewa Worthington  
 Will Eberle

Name	Board Member Position	Affiliation	Present?
Jess Graff	Co-Chair & Franklin/Grand Isle Rep	CVOEO	Y
Kim Anetsberger	Co-Chair & Lamoille Rep	Lamoille Community House	Y
Ari Kisler	One rep for VT-ASH	AHS, DCF, OEO	Y
Kate Rohdenburg	One rep for victims of DV/SV	WISE	
Jason Brill	One rep for veterans	U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs	Y
Kate Logan	One rep for Youth	VCHRYP	Y
Jay Ruiz	Rep with lived experience	SSVF	
Marie Lennon	Rep with lived experience	Middbury	Y
Rewa Worthington	One rep for Housing Partners	Evernorth	Y
Lou-Anne Wood	One rep for Complex Care	AHS-Vermont Chronic Care Initiative	Y
Lindsay Mesa	One Rep for Mental Health	Pathways Vermont	Y
Will Eberle	One Rep for Substance Use	Recovery Vermont/VAMHAR	
Mark Demers	Addison Coalition Rep	CVOEO	Y
Mary Gerisch	Bennington Coalition Rep	Bennington Housing Authority	Y
Chris Mitchell	Caledonia & S. Essex Coalition	AHS	Y
	North Windsor & Orange Coalition		
Casey Winterson	Orleans & N. Essex Coalition Rep	NEKCA	Y
Jessica Makela	Rutland Coalition Rep	Homeless Prevention Center	Y
Lee Trapeni	So Windsor & No Windham Coalition Rep	Springfield Supported Housing	Y
Dan Handy	South Windham Coalition Rep	Groundworks Collaborative	
Kathi Partlow	Washington Coalition Rep	Family Center of Washington County	Y