



PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 2

DATE OF MEETING: May 2, 2016

REQUESTED BY: Cecelia Peers, Continuum of Care Administrator, Cape Fear Council of Governments

SHORT TITLE: Presentation of the Tri-County Homeless Interagency Council's 100 Day Initiative to End Veteran Homelessness.

BACKGROUND: Ms. Peers has requested to speak on behalf of the Tri-County Homeless Interagency Council to share information about their 100 day initiative to end veteran homelessness. Our community was one of six that participated in this team challenge, sponsored by Governor McCrory along with the Dept. of Veterans Affairs and North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness (press release attached). They set an aggressive 100 day goal – by May 25th they will house 24 of the veterans that they know to be homeless in January and will house all newly identified veterans within 90 days. There are a few ways in which they hope to accomplish this goal, which require support from the greater community.



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Raleigh, N.C.

More than 80 state, federal and veteran service providers focusing on homeless veterans opened a two-day event at the McKimmon Center today to coordinate innovative actions to address homelessness among former service members. The Rapid Results Veteran Boot Camp is part of Governor Pat McCrory's initiative to end military veteran homelessness in North Carolina.

"Homelessness is often the result of many difficulties a veteran is facing," Governor McCrory said. "The experts at this gathering will share their knowledge and experience to come up with practical, common-sense solutions that will help our veterans who have done so much to protect us."

In June, Governor McCrory announced a statewide strategy to end veteran homelessness in the state. The North Carolina Departments of Military and Veterans Affairs and Health and Human Services initiated this first-of-its kind event in North Carolina. The departments partnered with the Rapid Results Institute to assemble teams across the state which are being tasked with meeting specific targets in a 100-day time frame.

Community teams have been formed for Onslow, Pender, New Hanover, Brunswick, Wake, Durham, Orange, Rowan and Buncombe counties. An additional team will focus on less populated areas of the state. Teams are comprised of those who work directly with homeless veterans including representatives of the Veterans Administration Medical Centers, Supportive Services for Veterans and Their Families, Grant Per Diem, NCWorks, Continuum of Care, Behavioral Health, and community and faith leaders.

The Rapid Results Veteran Boot Camp event is sponsored by the Task Force for Ending Veteran Homelessness in North Carolina, a committee of the Governor's Working Group on Veterans and Their Families. Funding for the event is provided by a grant from the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services.

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