

CT Balance of State
(CT BOS)
Continuum of Care
(CoC)
Steering Committee
Meeting

April 16, 2021





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Agenda

- Welcome
- Announcements
- DOH Presentation on Con Plan Action Plan
- Consumer Leadership Involvement Project (CLIP) Updates
- Vote on Youth Homeless Demonstration Project Written Standards
- Feedback from CANs on DedicatedPLUS Rollout
- Upcoming Steering Committee Meetings and COVID-19 Office Hours



ANNOUCEMENTS!



Webinar: Intro to CT BOS

Basic orientation for people new to the CoC or to those who want a refresher on how the CoC works

[Webinar Recording](#)

[Presentation Slides](#)





HUD COVID-19 Waivers Extended – 6/30/21

CT BOS HUD COVID-19 Waiver Memo 4.12.21

- Grantees must notify HUD of intent to use extensions:
Waiver Notification Template
- Notify Hartford Field Office in writing no less than 2 days before using the waiver flexibility: CPD_COVID-19WaiverHAT@hud.gov
- DMHAS & DOH notified HUD already; **Subrecipients of DOH/DMHAS should not submit waiver notification.**
- Agencies receiving CoC funds directly from HUD need to submit their own notification.

HUD's Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) New Listservs

Register for **both**:

[SNAPS Competition Listserv Sign-up](#)

[SNAPS Program Information listserv Sign-up](#)

Don't miss critical information about:

- Continuum of Care (CoC) Program;
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs;
- Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP);
- Other Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) developed by SNAPS; and
- Other information related to SNAPS programs and the work to end homelessness.





CT BOS 2021 New Project RFP



- **Permanent Supportive Housing**
 - New Units
 - Additional services where there are inadequate services*
- **Joint Transitional Housing/Rapid Rehousing**
 - Only for existing CoC funded TH projects

Apply via Wizehive

* Includes PSH with no dedicated supportive services already attached and with total annual services funding from all sources of less than \$5625 per year per household.

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CT BOS Steering Committee Member Title Change

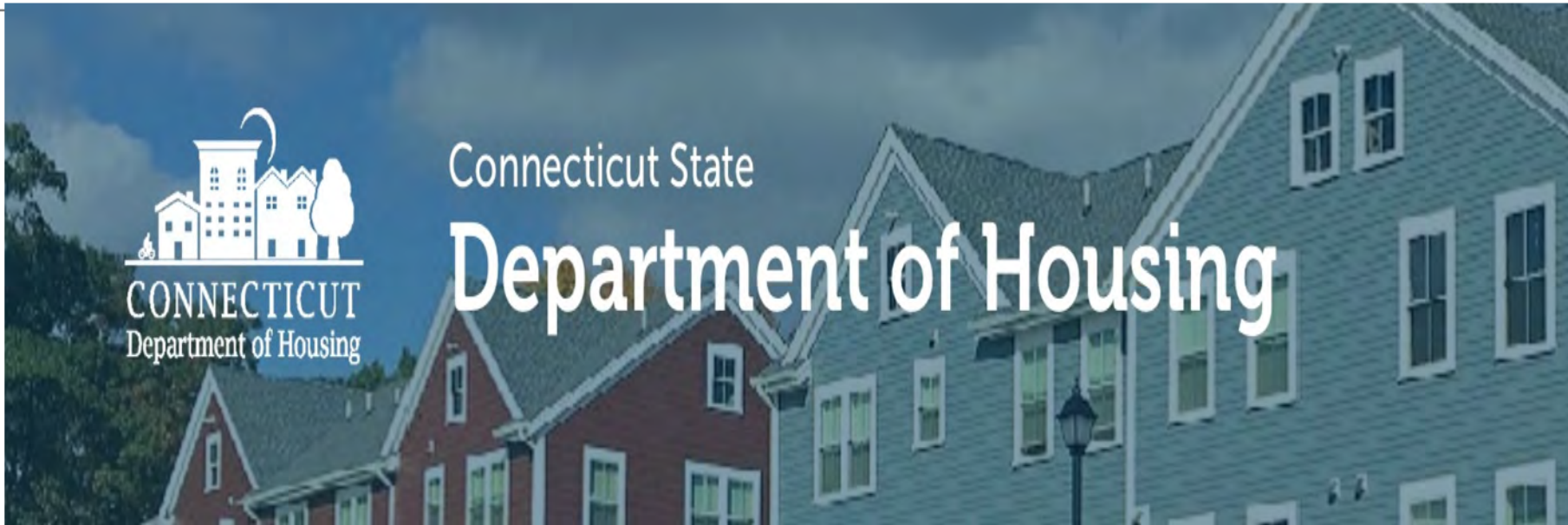
- Steering Committee includes seats for people who have experienced homelessness.
- The title for this seat has been changed to “Community Representative” per the recommendation of Melissa Dzierlatka, Community Representative

Funding Discontinuation

Project #1 and Project #2 discussed at the March BOS Steering Committee Meeting decided to relinquish their grants.



DOH Presentation on Con Plan Action Plan



ANY QUESTIONS?

CONSUMER LEADERSHIP INVOLVEMENT PROJECT (CLIP)

APRIL 16, 2021

Project Team: Stephanie Lazarus, Kiya Kennebrew, Monique Taylor and Anna Smith





TODAY'S UPDATE

- Equity Fellow
- Recruitment Strategy
- Steering Committee Member Engagement Process
- Updated Timeline

PROJECT PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

This project intends to increase the quantity and quality of meaningful engagement of persons with lived expertise (PWLE) in CT BoS





Ask The Fellow

Stephanie Lazarus, MPA

Pronouns: she/her/hers

RECRUITMENT STRATEGY

- Representative from each Coordinated Access Network (CAN)
- Representation will be inclusive of the diversity of PWLE including race, gender, age, sub populations, others?
- Ideally, PWLE should not be employed by agencies included in CT BOS but this should not exclude their participation



LET'S TALK
ABOUT IT

Upcoming CAN Outreach



What does consumer representation currently look like in each CAN?

Are there current PWLE CAN members that you would recommend to participate in the CLIP initiative?

Does your CAN have a consumer compensation policy?

STEERING COMMITTEE ENGAGEMENT

Training of Steering Committee Members to begin in Fall 2021:

Training Sessions will include the following topics:

- Race and Racism 101
- Conscious Conversations about Race
- Interrupting and Re-Directing Microaggressions
- Creating Intentional Space

Phase 2

Training and Orientation

Facilitate focus groups with PWLE and continuance of CT BOS Steering Committee focus groups

Dec. 2020 – Jan. 2021

Develop and facilitate PWLE cohort recruitment process

Provide project update to the CT BOS Steering Committee

March-August

Facilitate co-design with PWLE and BOS Steering Committee Ambassadors

Conduct trainings with Steering Committee Members

Fall 2021

Mar. 2021

Hire a CSH Fellow to co-lead the project

Summer-Fall

Complete recruitment of Cohort of PWLE

Questions

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Vote - Youth Homeless Demonstration Project Updated CoC and CAN Policies



Proposed-CT-BOS-YHDP-CAN-policy-revisions
Draft CT BOS Policies Revised

Feedback from CANs on DedicatedPLUS Rollout



- Are you seeing benefits from the change?
- Any downsides of the change?
- Do the benefits outweigh the downsides?
- Any additional training or other supports needed?

CT BOS Meeting Schedule Steering Committee & COVID-19 Office Hours



SC Meeting Schedule for 2021

- May 21, 2021; 11-12:30
- June 18, 2021; 11-12:30
- July 16, 2021; 11-12:30
(Semi-annual meeting)
- August 20, 2021; 11-12:30
- September 17, 2021; 11-12:30
- October 15, 2021; 11-12:30
- November 19; 11-12:30
- December 17; 11-12:30

Zoom Info for all SC mtgs

- [Meeting link](#)
- Meeting ID: 956 4487 8479
- Password: 414595
- Call-in number: 646-876-9923

BOS COVID Office Hours

- May 7, 2021; 11-12
- June 4, 2021; 11-12

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