Statewide Homeless Council

February 12, 2019

**9:30am – 2:00pm**

**Location:**        **MaineHousing, 353 Water Street St, Augusta, ME 04333**.

To join this meeting by conference call, the toll-free number is **1-866-316-1519.**   PASSCODE:  **9284295#**

**Lunch:**  Please bring your own lunch.

**Agenda:**

**9:30-9:45** Introductions, additional items for Agenda, review/accept Minutes

**9:45-10:00** **Brief structured reports**:

* Maine Homeless Policy Committee update
  + - * + State and Federal issues/Public Policy updates, state Legislation
      * MCOC updates, Regional Homeless Council updates and input
      * Long Term Stayer update
        + Portland, Bangor, Brunswick, and other service centers, and people outside

**Work on Maine’s Plan to End and Prevent Homelessness**

**GOAL THREE of Plan: Ensure Physical Health, Mental Health and Chemical Health**

**10:00-10:45     DHHS Report – Resource update and progress toward ending homelessness:**

* + - * Sheldon Wheeler and Chet Barnes. **SAMHS**. Priority 1, 2, 3, & 4 DHHS-controlled services and rental subsidies for adults who are homeless with MI or SUD. Follow up on fee for service SUD model and concerns for homeless shelters. **Primary focus: Update on PNMIs, BRAP, and PATH.** Update on system changes, rate changes, rulemaking.
      * Kirsten Capeless and/or Alice Preble, **OCFS**. Gayle Erdheim, **M/V Liaison**. **Primary Focus: Priority 3 & 5 services and resources update around Youth Homelessness**.

**10:45-11:00 DHHS and MaineHousing Combined – Progress report on ending Chronic Homelessness:**

🡪 discussion on Priority 1 and 2 resources, and access to PSH

**GOAL TWO of Plan:  Ensure Adequate Supply of Housing and Rental Subsidies**

**11:00-11:30       MaineHousing Resources Discussion – Resource and progress update** – Discussion will be about how MH resources are working, and ideas for optimization. (Section 8, VNED vouchers, STEP, ESHAP, LIHTC housing).

**11:30-12**

* + **ALL FOUR GOALS of Plan:** Population Discussions
  + Youth, Adults, Families, DV, Veterans

**12 – 12:20 Lunch**

**12:20-1:30**

**Major Problem-Solving Topic: Follow-up from the SHC Retreat – engaging the Regional Homeless Councils and strategies for the new Administration. Discussion with Christi Staples, Regional Director for Corporation for Supportive Housing on some strategies discussed at the retreat.**

**1:30-1:45 Other topics:**

* + SHC testimony re. LD 195, An Act To Continue MaineCare Coverage for Parents During the Rehabilitation and Reunification Process – Action to deliver testimony on behalf of SHC.
  + Quarterly press release topic – Op Ed published on 11/20/18. What is our next topic?

**Other Business**

**1:45-2pm**

**Next meeting March 12, 2019 – MaineHousing 353 Water Street Augusta, Maine**

(SHC meets regularly the second Tuesday of each month 9:30am-2:00pm)