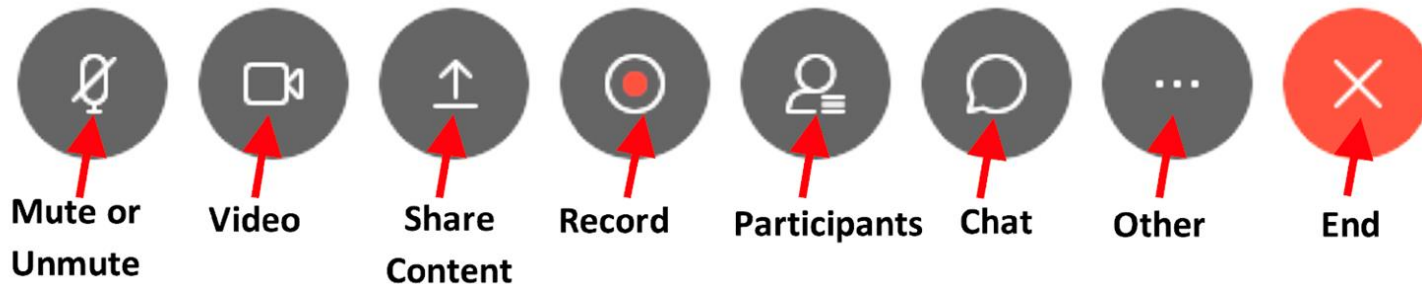# Welcome! We'll get started shortly.

Today's meeting is interactive.
To ensure you can fully participate, all board members
have been made panelists and are unmuted at entry.

That means we can hear you!

Please mute your phone or use the webex meeting controls now to mute your microphone.

Housekeeping

- Attendance/quorum will be taken automatically via WebEx

- This meeting will be recorded and made available to the public

- Board members should join via computer so you can participate in voting

- Public comment will be accepted at the end of the meeting

Welcome & Call to Order

Carrie DiSimone, Board Chair

Meeting Agenda

I. Welcome & Call to Order

II. Approval of November Board Meeting Minutes

III. Committee Reports

IV. CoC Lead Report

V. Local Homelessness Coalition Reports

VI. CoC Membership & Annual Meeting

VII. State Agency Updates

VIII. Future Board Meeting Agenda Items

IX. Public Comment

X. Adjournment

Vote to Approve November Meeting Minutes

Are there any amendments or changes to the November 2020 Board Meeting Minutes?

Vote to approve the meeting minutes using the webex poll on your screen.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee

- Committee Chair Nominations Process
  - Committees need to nominate and vote to select a Chair by end of February
  - Chairs work collaboratively with CoC Lead Agency to set committee work priorities, meeting agendas, and inform Board/CoC of progress

- Governance Charter Amendments Process
  - Will be researching best practices/tools for soliciting charter amendments in advance of March membership meeting

HMIS Committee

- HMIS Training Materials
- HUD Longitudinal Systems Analysis (LSA) Report
- Upcoming State and Federal Reports

Coordinated Entry Committee

Coordinated Entry System Launch

- Continuing to work on CES launch workplan

- Goal Dates (subject to change)
  - Stage 1 - March 1 - Trainings become available for assessors and access sites
  - Stage 2 - March 15 - Assessments begin
  - Stage 3 - April 1 - Housing matches begin
  - Stage 4 - Ongoing - Continuous Quality Improvement

PIT/HIC Planning Committee

Point-In-Time Count (PIT)

- One-night "snapshot" of homelessness across the country

- Includes an unsheltered count and a sheltered count

- All CoCs must complete unsheltered count in odd years, and are incentivized to do unsheltered count every year

- Sheltered count is completed every year

Housing Inventory Count (HIC)

- One-night "snapshot" of emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing beds/units dedicated to serving people who are homeless

PIT & HIC must be conducted on same night, in last ten days of January (federal requirement)

BoS 2021 Unsheltered Count

BoS PIT Page

Registered Counting Sites as of 1.21.21

Allegany County	HRDC's Office of Housing Opportunities, Union Rescue Mission
Cecil County	
Garrett County	Garrett County Community Action, Garrett County Health Department - Behavioral Health
Southern MD	
Washington County	The Hope Center

CoC Lead Agency Report

DHCD

Funding Updates

FFY2020 Continuum of Care Program (CoC NOFA)
- HUD has announced that FY2020 will be renewals only
- No new projects
- No reallocation opportunity
- Only sign grant agreements

FFY2021 Continuum of Care Program (CoC NOFA)
- HUD has opened the CoC Registration in esnaps
- No timeframe for NOFA release
- Will be competitive with understanding of current circumstances

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project (YHDP)

Funding Updates

COVID19 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV)

- ESG-CV2 grant agreements and application/budget templates will be sent out shortly - no changes to funding priorities
- Anticipate additional rounds of ESG-CV from COVID relief bill passed in January and new Biden proposals - these will be added to existing ESG-CV2 agreement through amendment most likely

Funding Updates

COVID19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)

- Expect $400 million to come into Maryland - some will be distributed directly to jurisdictions with over 200k population (8 counties). Biden proposals would double the amount allocated through ERAP.
- Balance of State counties will receive ERAP through State allocation
- DHCD will likely be administrator of State ERAP funds
- Details on how funds will be distributed to counties will be shared ASAP - Continuums of Care and Community Action Agencies will be consulted on program design/implementation
- Portion of funding can be used for admin and case management/housing stabilization services

COVID19 Response

- DHCD working with MDH to clarify how homeless shelters and street outreach teams can best proceed with getting clients and staff vaccinated. We will issue guidance/best practice info to LHCs ASAP.

- LHCs should be working with their local health department(s) to get "in the queue" for vaccines. Maryland vaccine distribution is being handled at the **county level**.

- Congregate living facilities are in vaccine group 1B (which is open now)

- Vaccine supplies are still very limited - only about 50k doses per week (half of which are dedicated to long-term care/nursing facilities)

Local Homeless Coalition Reports

LHC Reports

Topics

- LHC Updates

LHC

- Allegany
- Cecil
- Garrett
- Southern MD
- Washington

CoC Membership & Annual Meeting

CoC Membership & Meeting

CoC Membership

- Who is a CoC member?
    - Open to the public
    - Any organization that is a member of an LHC and/or service provider should also be a CoC member
    - Board members must be CoC members
- Membership Policies
- Membership Recruitment Plan
- Member Registration Form

CoC Membership & Meeting

March Member Meeting Planning

- CoC is required to maintain membership list and voting eligibility rules, and hold at least one annual meeting/solicit members annually

- DHCD will be sending out a membership registration form with an invitation to a virtual all member meeting

- Meeting will be a celebration of Year 1 and forecast of Year 2 activities

CoC Membership & Meeting

Agenda Preview

- BoS Launch Lookback/Achievements
- Preview of 2021 Key Initiatives
- State of the CoC – How are we doing at ending homelessness?
- Governance
- Recognition & Awards

State Agency Updates

Future Agenda Items

Public Comment

Adjournment