



A Stronger Montgomery



Montgomery County Interagency Commission on Homelessness

March 22, 2023

Rockville Memorial Library/Zoom

Agenda

- Welcome and introductions
- Review and approve January minutes (VOTE)
- Zero for All Campaign Update
- Strategic Plan Update
- Committee/Workgroup Updates
- Public Comments
- Announcements
- Next Meeting Wednesday, May 24, 2023
(Rockville Library/Zoom)

Ending Homelessness in Montgomery County

Zero for All Planning Committee



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Agenda

1. Path to Achieving Montgomery County's Goals
 - a. Progress to Date
 - b. Goals & Milestones
2. Roles & Responsibilities
 - a. Partnership with Bethesda Cares
 - b. Community Roles
3. Current State
 - a. Data
4. Q&A

Q&A at the End

What questions do you have about Montgomery County's goals, how they will be accomplished, and/or your role?

Virtual: place questions in the Q & A section of the chat.



Current State

Our Goal

**To end homelessness for all
populations in Montgomery
County by 2025**

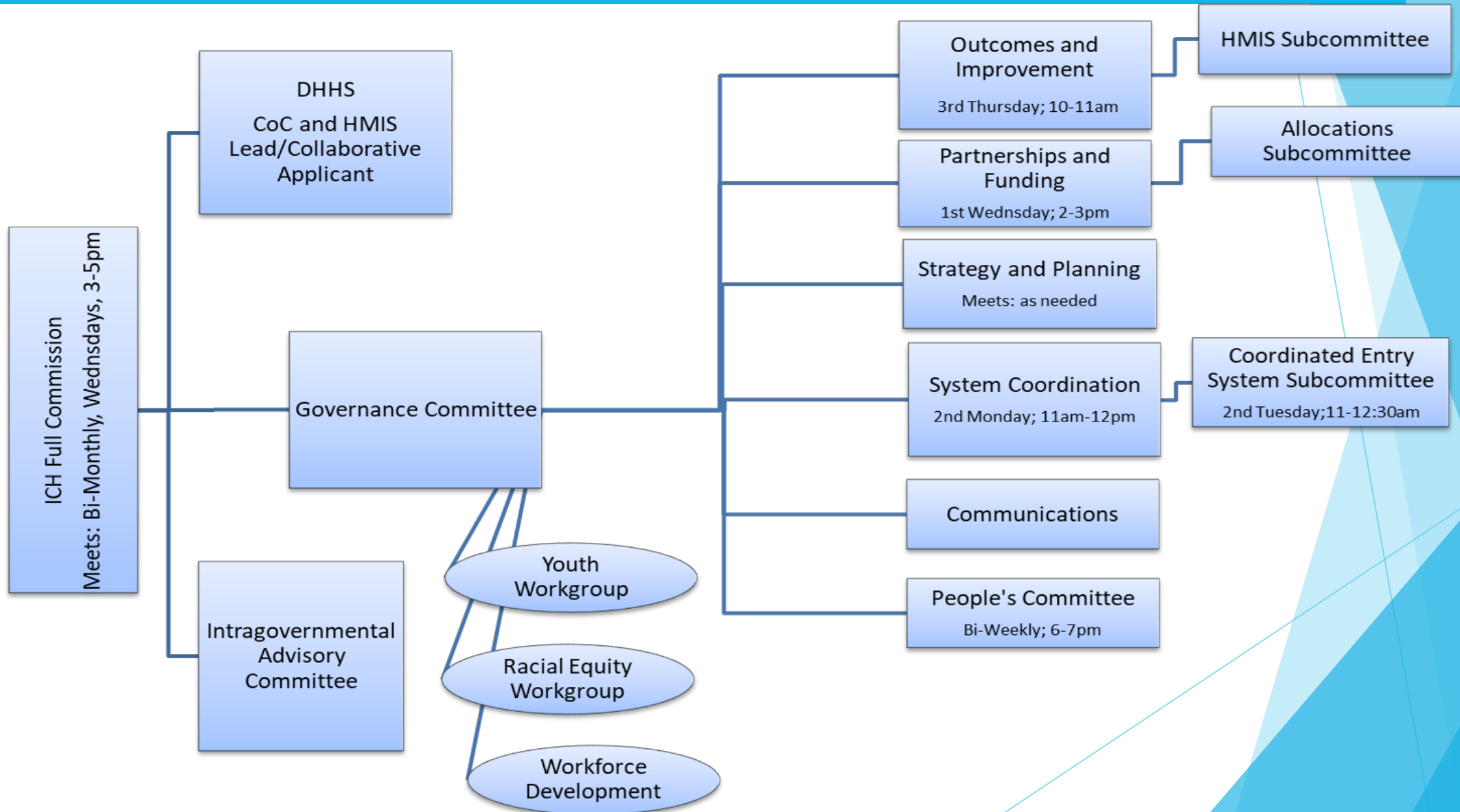


6-Month Milestones

Working Group	By June 2023, we will have...
Youth	A fully operational Coordinated Entry System for Youth
Families	An average length of time from ID to Move-in of 45 days
Seniors	Decreased the number of seniors entering homelessness by 50% (from 6 to 3)
Vulnerable Adults	An average length of time from Assigned to Housed of 45 days
Veterans	No more than 7 Veterans experiencing homelessness (down from 10)
Other Adult-Only Households	Housed 350 individuals

Implementation: How Will Milestones be Accomplished?

Existing ICH Committee Structure



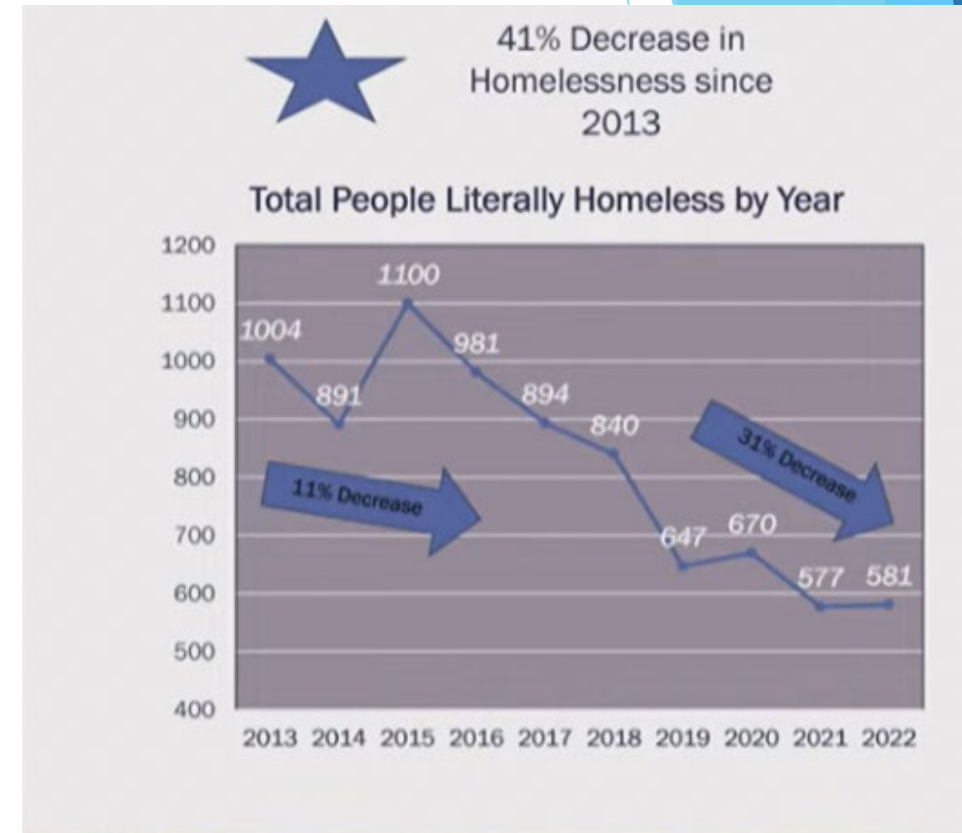
Your Role

Everyone has a role to play in achieving our goals

- Participate in a work group
- Advocate for program supports and policy updates in your agency to achieve better client outcomes
- Identify areas of intersection and opportunities for collaboration between your agency/organization/community and the COC
- Share your learning with your community

Partnership with Bethesda Cares

- Campaign Coordinator at Bethesda Cares
 - Coordinate work of existing ICH committees
 - Accountability to driving subpopulation results
- Why?



36% Reduction
in the # of Adult-
Only Households



50% Reduction
in the # of
Households with
Children

Community Data



How are we Doing?

Working Group	Goal	Baseline (12/15/2022)	1/1/2023	2/1/2023	3/1/2023
Youth	A fully operational Coordinated Entry System for Youth	No data for this measure but CES sub-committee is meeting regularly and this measure is on track.			
Families	An average length of time from ID to Move-in of 45 days	61	102	53	30
Seniors	Decreased the number of seniors entering homelessness by 50% (from 6 to 3)	6	3	8	2
Vulnerable Adults	An average length of time from Assigned to Housed of 45 days	48	-	52	-
Veterans	No more than 7 Veterans experiencing homelessness	10	11	11	11
Other Adult-Only Households	Housed 350 individuals (Cumulative from 12/15/2023. Exits to housed destinations)	Starting at 0	82 (+82 since baseline)	191 (+109 since prev month)	282 (+91 since prev month)

Q&A

What questions do you have about Montgomery County's goals, how they will be accomplished, and/or your role?

Thank you!



Strategic Plan Update

Where we are

- ❖ Current plan goes through December 2023
- ❖ Primary mission/vision/values/strategies remain the same
 - ❖ **Vision:** We envision a home for everyone in Montgomery County, where the experience of homelessness is rare, brief, and one-time only.
 - ❖ **Mission:** Through commitment and collaboration, we will create effective systems in our community to achieve our visions. We strive to be a leader in the work to end homelessness across our nation.
 - ❖ **Values**
 - ❖ Housing First and Person-Centered Approaches
 - ❖ Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
 - ❖ Collaboration Across the Continuum of Care
 - ❖ Data and Results Based Decisions
 - ❖ Continuous Change and Improvement

Current Strategies

- ❖ Reduce Racial Disparities Across the System
- ❖ Build and Support Strong and Adaptable Programs
- ❖ Build and Support Affordable Housing Solutions within the Homeless Continuum
- ❖ Coordinate Effectively Across Other Systems of Care
- ❖ Increase and Diversify Funding
- ❖ Educate and Advocate for Change

What we need to do

- ❖ Update Bold Goals to align with Zero for All Campaign
 - ❖ Previous goal was end homelessness for all by the end of 2023
- ❖ Update expected Outcomes and planned Actions under each strategy
 - ❖ Utilize the Rocks and Levers work initiated through the Zero for All Campaign
- ❖ Strategic Framework versus Strategic Plan
 - ❖ Additional times for community input/engagement
 - ❖ Ability to continually update/modify to align with Zero for All Campaign milestones

► *Committee/Workgroup
Updates*

Montgomery County ICH Committees At a Glance

Committees	Key Roles and Responsibilities	2020-2023 Strategic Plan Strategy
Strategy and Planning <i>Long term vision and strategy</i>	Develops and oversees the strategic plan to prevent and end homelessness, including monitoring progress towards goals, conducting an annual gaps analysis and reviewing external policies that may affect local efforts.	Strategy 1: Addressing Racial Disparities Across the System Strategy 4: Build and Support Affordable Housing Solutions for Individuals within the Homeless Continuum
Communication <i>Public education and messaging</i>	Educate the public on issues related to homelessness and the community's response, including managing the CoC's website and communications strategy for initiatives and campaigns.	Strategy 6: Educate and Advocate for Change
People's <i>Ensuring people centered efforts</i>	Facilitate the leadership and authentic collaboration with individuals with lived experience in all aspects of the community's efforts to end homelessness, including advising other committees and recruiting individuals with lived experience to participate.	Strategy 1: Addressing Racial Disparities Across the System Strategy 6: Educate and Advocate for Change
Outcomes and Improvement <i>Harnessing data for improvement</i>	Establishes performance targets and monitors and evaluates program level performance, including supporting improvement efforts through identifying training on best practices. Oversees implementation of HMIS (through HMIS subcommittee).	Strategy 2: Build and Support Strong and Adaptable Programs to Ensure Equitable Access and Programming Across the System to Effectively Address Client Needs
Partnerships and Funding <i>Mobilizing resources</i>	Forges strategic partnerships and assists funders to establish priorities that further the CoC's strategic plan, including overseeing the annual application for federal homelessness funding (through Allocations subcommittee).	Strategy 5: Increase and Diversify Funding
System Coordination <i>Cross sector program and policy implementation</i>	Coordinates the implementation of a housing and services system across sectors, including recommending improvements to policies and overseeing the Coordinated Entry System (through CES subcommittee).	Strategy 3: Coordinate Effectively Across Systems

Other Work Groups

Youth Work Group

Coordinated Entry Sub-committee

Racial Equity

Workforce Development

HMIS Sub-committee

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Public

Comment

Period

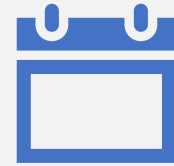
ANNOUNCEMENTS



APPLICATION PERIOD TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 4TH COHORT FOR LEAD FOR IMPACT WILL OPEN MID-APRIL. STAY TUNED FOR DETAILS.



THE 2023 NADIM KHAN MEMORIAL HOMELESS RESOURCE DAY HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL OCTOBER.



SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL HOMELESS MEMORIAL TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 8TH.