



Human Services Department

Housing Options Solutions and Supports Division

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**BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Housing Options Solutions and Supports Division (“HOSSD”)
Homeless Continuum of Care Advisory (“HCoC”) Board Meeting
October 22, 2025, Meeting Minutes**

Board of Directors	Present	Excused	Absent	Board of Directors	Present	Excused	Absent
Senator Nan Rich Board Chair	X			Reniese McNeal	X		
Mikal Cartier		X		Ron Moffett	X		
Amanda Bartle	X			Silvia Quintana	X		
Tom Ruthardt- Ex- officio			X	Cathy Stutin	X		
Keith Cavanaugh – Ex-officio	X			Officer Chung	X		
Brian Donovan			X	Pam Beasley-Pitman	X		
Sandra Einhorn	X			Larry Rein	X		
Tiffany Garcia			X	Robin Martin		X	
Juan Saavedra	X			Howard Bakalar		X	
Commissioner Adam Gruber			X	Michael Baldwin			X
Maria Hernandez	X			Melida Akiti	X		
Dionne Blackwood	X			Emmittcia Jones			X
Angela Chin	X			Marisa Sotelo	X		

Joseph Kenner			X				
Taneshia Taylor	X						

Call to Order and Quorum

Senator Rich, Chair called the meeting to order at 11:44 a.m.

Roll Call

Alex Morales called attendance and confirmed quorum.

Approval of the August and September meeting minutes

Motion: To approve the August and September 2025 meeting minutes

1st: Sandra Einhorn
 2nd: Reniese McNeal

Declaration of Conflict: NONE

MOTION PASSED

Chair Report

Senator Rich informed the Board that a meeting was held with the Broward Legislative Delegation and the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, during which a legislative program for the upcoming session was developed. At this meeting, Senator Rich discussed issues relevant to the Continuum of Care, including affordable housing. The County is advocating for increased funding to expand affordable housing initiatives, with particular emphasis on seniors and other vulnerable populations.

Senator Rich noted that we are facing a significant loss of funding for homelessness, both at the state and federal levels. HUD announced they are cutting funds previously earmarked for Permanent Supportive Housing. Last year, HUD put out \$3.3 billion appropriated nationwide for Permanent Supportive Housing. For next year’s budget, that funding was slashed to \$1.2 billion. Zero funding is proposed for 2026.

Senator Rich informed that the Board that opposes any amendments to state laws that would eliminate or reduce currently required student immunizations, and supports amendments to state laws that would add or protect immunizations currently required only under the Florida Department of Health’s rules.

HOSS-D updates:

Assistant Director Alex Morales informed the Board that the county has not heard any information regarding the HCOC Builds Grant. Alex Morales stated that originally the application was submitted last year, and HUD rescinded the whole process. The grant was re-published and resubmitted with a very short turnaround time. The proposal is for an affordable housing building in partnership with the AIDS Healthcare Foundation in Fort Lauderdale. The site is in Fort Lauderdale, so that would create additional affordable housing opportunities.

New Business

- **2026 Point In Time (PIT) Count:**

Motion: To not have a PIT Count in 2026

1st: Silvia Quintana
2nd: Dwayne Chung

Declaration of Conflict: NONE

MOTION PASSED

- **A Way Home Plan:**

Alex Morales informed the Board that the A Way Home Plan is due to be updated. He stated that the Performance Outcome Needs and Gaps (PONG) Committee discussed the plan, the need to quickly revise it, and make a proposal. Alex Morales informed the Board that the proposal was a two-step process. Number one would be a quick revision of the plan. The staff will provide input to the PONG, which will then provide input to the HCOC, and then realign at the beginning of January to do a deep dive into the plan and do a complete revision of the plan for necessary changes.

TaskForce:

- The TaskForce For Ending Homelessness presented data to the Board. The Board received the data presentations via email.

Airport Data:

- Dave Cameron with HOSS-D gave the Board a presentation regarding Airport Data. The presentation was sent to all members.

Vote:

November/December HCoC meeting:

Motion: To cancel the November date and meet in early December

1st: Silvia Quintana

2nd: Melida Akiti

Declaration of Conflict: NONE

MOTION PASSED

Old Business:

HCoC Vacancies update:

VA Representative- Potential candidate

Committee Updates:

Performance Outcomes Needs & Gaps

The Committee met and discussed the A Way Home Plan and had a presentation from the Broward County School Board along with Coast To Coast Legal Aid.

Housing Action Committee (HAC)

The Committee is in the process of planning the 2025 Landlord Appreciation Breakfast.

Consumer Advocacy Committee (CAC)

The Committee is planning the next Symposium for February 2026.

Homeless Youth & Families Committee

A Chair needs to be nominated for this Committee.

Homeless Providers, Stakeholders Council

Mikal Cartier gave the Board a brief update.

Public Comment: NONE

Good of the Order:

None

The meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.