



S3 Housing Connect Agency Reports

9.9.2021

- **Habitat for Humanity**, Kimberly Rau- Habitat had an informational meeting with potential homeowners on 9/2/21 at Brick Capital (Thanks, Kerry!) There were a dozen people from the community, Counselman Carver, Courtney White from Lee County Schools, and a reporter from the newspaper. The meeting reviewed what Habitat does and how it benefits homeowners along with the qualifications to apply for a Habitat home. We were excited to share the information and spread the word.
- **Family Promise**, Tamara Brogan- Currently full and has a waiting list of 4 families. We do need laundry detergent and paper towels.
- **AmeriHealth Caritas**, Shadonna Headen- Still busy educating members of the community about the changes to Medicaid. Due to the rising numbers of COVID, we are only allowed to participate in Drive-Thru style events in the community. If anyone is interested in hosting a resource event and need assistance with logistics, please let us know as we have assisted in numerous safe events in the past. Shadonna Headen has been promoted to Region 5 Wellness Center Administrator effective 8/28/21. Community Educator, Constancita Nieves, has been assigned to Lee County. If you have any Medicaid Managed Care questions, please feel free to contact her at cnieves@amerihealthcaritas.com. I have thoroughly enjoyed being a part of S3 and even though I will not be around as much, I will still be in the community volunteering and working with the homeless. Thanks to Cindy Hall and S3, my church volunteers at Bread of Life at least once monthly and have been doing so for over a year. S3 is a wonderful organization and I thank you all for your hard work and commitment to the community. –Shadonna Headen
- **Sandhills Center**, Quiotti Ratliffe- Currently working remotely with the option of working from home. We are still transitioning identified eligible candidates into the community, we continue to search for affordable housing availability within our catchment area.
- **Bread of Life**, John Paschal- We need help in staffing our Extreme Weather shelter this year. I have attached the job descriptions. They will interview with Bread of Life and OMI and will be OMI employees.
- **Salvation Army**, Tracy Staley- Hard to believe, but our Christmas JOY program registration starts October 4th. I have attached a flyer for the program.
- **Navigation Center**, Darla Molina- Everything is continuing to go well; our numbers have increased from an average of 24 daily to an average of 41. It remains to be seen if this increase is due to an increase in individuals becoming homeless due to evictions or if the word is spreading around town that we are open and available to help. We have hired a new project CATCH case manager and are looking to hire a new Benefits coordinator/Case worker. Needs: breakfast items (bacon, sausage, eggs, milk, pancake mix, plates, forks, spoons, coffee, creamer, stirrers), cleaning supplies (Clorox wipes, paper towels, all-purpose cleaning spray), toiletries (toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, soap, tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoo, conditioner), other (towels, wash cloths, laundry detergent, masks, trash bags).
- **H3**, Cindy Hall- Presently giving free flu shots. Saw 107 People in August. Had to deal with very hot weather in our outside clinics. We have received the go ahead and have ordered the blood testing machine to do onsite testing through the shared grant with SA, BOLM, OMI and H3. Needs: cash donations to purchase medications (given out at no charge to patient)
- **Outreach Mission**, Hamer Carter- OMI served 30 clients in August, 14 men and 16 women. We had 12 clients exit the shelter with 8 moving into stable housing. Men's shelter currently has 11 clients and women's shelter has 14 clients. Each Monday and Friday, OMI sends out a Bed

Availability Report for the Men's and Women's shelters so that agencies have current data. If you would like to receive this report, please let me know.

- Collaboration Team Update: On Friday Sept 3rd, the mobile diagnostic instrument was ordered for H3 and should be here in approx. 2 weeks. OMI initial Street Outreach Program transportation route pickups are scheduled to start the first week of October. OMI and BOLM are making preparations for the Adverse Weather Shelter. Navigation Center operation continues.
- Needs: Navigation Center needs a case Manager / Benefit Assistant. OMI needs an additional male Shelter Supervisor for the Men's Shelter.
- **HAVEN**—August Stats: 31 shelter guests, 22 nonresident clients (court, law enforcement, or hospital accompaniment), 109 crisis calls.
 - We are continuing to require masks and social distancing as much as possible with clients and advocates. Rigorous cleaning and sanitation are conducted on all shifts by staff. Thankfully, no COVID cases thus far. HAVEN can use cleaning supplies such as paper towels, bleach, pine sol, disinfecting wipes, dish soap, laundry pods and toilet bowl cleaner. Hygiene supplies such as body wash, shampoo, conditioner, chap stick, band aids, and lotion. Over the counter medications such as cough syrup (nonalcohol), pain relief meds, Pepto-Bismol/Roloids and allergy medication. Thank you for your continued support!
- **The Partnership for Children and Families**, Heather Garrity- The Happy Bottoms Bank is open for monthly requests for diapers, wipes, and period products. Go on our website to complete your request.
 - The Happy Bottoms Bank is in need of large paper grocery bags for monthly requests.
 - The Partnership for Children and Families is accepting applications to be a Board Member for our agency.
 - NC Pre-K still has slots available for children who turned four before September 1st. Please call the office to schedule an appointment at 919-774-9496 or complete an online application at pfcf.org.
 - Warren Williams Preschool is currently in need of bilingual teacher assistants for their NC Pre-K classrooms. If you know of someone who may be interested in applying, please have them call Silvia Huffer at 919-774-3529.



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