***Continuum of Care of Governance/Nominating Committee***

Dear Board Members

To meet the objective of the Continuum of Care (CoC), elections will be held 13 of September 2023 for the following reasons outlined below.

**Section 3 Election and Voting for Board Members and Board Officers**

The process to select the CoC Board Members will be transparent, inclusive, and democratic in nature. The CoC Board Member selection process will include consideration of geographic balance, representation of homeless subpopulations, and knowledge of the issues pertaining to the Continuum of Care and/or persons experiencing homelessness in the region.

To solicit new Board Members, an invitation will be extended by the Governance/Nominating Committee to the CoC, Stakeholders, and Community by requesting potential members to submit a resume and complete a brief application. The Governance/Nominating Committee will prepare a list of people who submitted applications with the category(s) they represent and having reviewed the list, resumes, applications, and prepare a ballot for voting on by the Active Members. The Governance/Nominating Committee will take into consideration a diverse representation on the Board in compliance with the Interim Rule and local priorities. Board officers and Members-at-Large are elected by the CoC Active Members in the Fall of each year.

To achieve this, timely notice must be given to the community about the election, the requirements to fill the seats, the date of the election and the positions available.

**The Election will be held on 13th of September 2023 and the swearing in on the 24th of October 2023.**

Packets can be sent in with a start date of 13th July 2023 deadline of 7 September 2023 by midnight. The election will begin at the members meeting on the 13th of September 2023 and run until midnight.

All packets can be sent to danny.richards3880@yahoo.com. wwlmsmmog@yahoo.com and catthh9173@gmail.com

The Governance/Nominating Committee will start screening packets as soon as they come. The Governance/Nominating Committee will put together a list of nominees to present to the board.

***The seats up for election are as follows:***

ViceChair

Secretary

Treasurer

7 Member at Large seats with the exception of M@L Tiffany Johnson

***Requirements to run for office:***

**Active Member**- Individual or agency representative who has submitted the membership packet and been reviewed and presented as a member via notice to the BOD. An Active Member has voting rights after attending two BOD, Member, or Committee meetings. To maintain Active Member status, the individual or agency representative must have attended at least 40% of the regularly scheduled Member meetings in the previous 12 months. (or from the time you became a member if less than 12 months.)

 **A statement of interest, resume and Bio must be sent to the email addresses listed above**

You cannot run for office if you are a city or county employee or if you are a NC-511 CoC or ESG grant funded agency.

**According to the by-laws the following members meet this requirement to run for election**

Deanna Braggs\*

Renee Elder

Jafinee Gerald

Catherine Hammonds

Genean Hill

Rev. Rob James

Rev. Joe Johnson

Tiffany Johnson

Elizabeth Marcus\*

Tracey Morrison

Semone Pemberton

Karla Sessoms

Ilana Sheppard

Orlando Smith\*

Willie Williams

Shakiesha Wilson\*

\*Indicates questionable due to working for Fayetteville City or Cumberland County

**The voting process will be conducted by a secret ballot sent out by the Nominating Committee on 13th of September 2023 once quorum has been reached during the Member Meeting and returned by the 13th of September 2023 at midnight.**

**There is no more nominating anyone. Individuals filling out the application packet can submit it to the Governance/Nominating Committee on their own behalf.**

Respectfully submitted,

Danny Richards

Governance/Nominating Committee