

# ARKANSAS BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE

Minutes January 8, 2026 – 11:00 AM

In Person

## Vision Statement:

The vision of the Arkansas Balance of State Continuum of Care is to work toward eliminating homelessness through collaboration of innovative solutions.

## Mission Statement:

The mission of the Arkansas Balance of State Continuum of Care is to facilitate a coordinated effort of planning, integration of mainstream resources, and implementation of programs targeted at reducing homelessness and improving housing stability across Arkansas' diverse local homeless coalitions that comprise the Arkansas Balance of State Continuum of Care.

- I. Welcome
- II. Meeting called to order 11:00 am by William Tollett - Chair.
- III. Approval of Minutes: November, December & January Minutes will be voted on in February meeting. Not enough voting members present.
- IV. Partner Reports
  - ADFA – Alise Green gave an update. Still waiting for ESG Agreement from HUD to be signed. Still accepting NCS project applications. Ho
  - HUD – No agent present.
- V. Balance of State Update
  - Collaborate Applicant – Sue Legal had no updates to give.
  - HMIS – Mark Sniff gave an update. Have submitted the LSA report for HUD review. Give thanks to the different providers and different originations that I have been working with to help me get clarification with some of the information.
  - Coordinated Entry – Mark Sniff, we are still waiting for HUD. So, at this time no new updates to give.
- VI. Old Business
  - Loren Morphey gave PIT count updates. Loren sent out an email to everyone regarding volunteers. She is currently going over the volunteer registration forms. Loren put in the chat a volunteer registration form. Everyone needs to be

registered expect shelter, those will be a different count. She asked that everyone watch for updates from her. The Counting US app is up and running for who ever wants get into it and look it over beforehand.

- Loren Morpew let everyone know that is has been no updates on the NOFO.

## VII. New Business

- None

## VIII. Committee Reports

- Steering Committee – Mark Sniff, the Steering Committee did not meet last month.
- Coordinated Entry – Mark Sniff, they did not meet last month due to the holidays. Should be meeting this month. So should have an update for next month.

## X. Coalition Reports

- ARVAHAN – Loren Morpew, their focus is on the PIT Count and they are also preparing for a possible shut down.
- BBMNS - Cassie Johnson, had meeting yesterday. We covered the PIT count and what areas still needed volunteers. Introduced a new Director at Serenity Inc. A dv shelter in Mountain Home.
- Delta Hills – Michel Phifer gave an update. Getting ready for the PIT Count.
- Eastern Arkansas – Jennifer Johnson, they have not met yet this month. We will meet next Tuesday.
- Mississippi – Lisa Willard, they have not had a meeting yet. Do plan on having a meeting before the PIT Count.
- NEA – Avery Collins they do not meet for January until next Thursday. They did meet in December and had a good turnout.
- RHC – Loren gave an update for the LHC.
- SWAP – Chris Joannide gave an update. They have been meeting regularly. They have been working on PIT Count and getting new membership and subcommittees.
- Toadsuck – Jennifer Welter gave an update. They did have a meeting, like everyone else getting ready for the PIT count and also discussing warming stations.

## XI. Next Balance of State zoom Meeting

- February 12, 2026 Zoom Meeting @ 11:00 am

XII. Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Cassie Johnson, AR BoS Secretary.