

ADVOCACY AND POLICY

Committee Contacts:

Deborah Gilbert White, **Chair** (drdgwhite11@gmail.com)

Tony Sierzega, **Co-Chair** (tsierzega@declasi.org)

Goals and Accomplishments in 2021:

This committee helps develop the DE-CoC advocacy agenda and promotes solutions to prevent and end homelessness among community members, local and state leaders, and elected officials.

- Source of Income
- HB58 - Panhandling
- HOMES Campaign
- HB 100 – Mental Health Services for K-5 endorsed with Racial Justice and Equity Committee
- HB 235 – Bill of Rights for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness

Next Meeting:

September - Date TBD

RACIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY

Committee Contacts:

Kim Ellis, **Chair** (Kellis@ccwilm.org)

Paula Witcher, **Co-Chair** (Paula.witcher@vmcenter.org)

Goals and Accomplishments in 2021:

This committee analyzes the negative impacts of homelessness on people and communities of color, identifies racial disparities in homelessness, and proposes action steps for moving toward a more equitable future in Delaware.

- Met with DE Senate housing committee members Senator Marie Pinkney and Senator Bryan Townsend
- Collaborated with CoC Advocacy and Policy Committee and HOMES campaign members
- Fact sheet outlining disparities among black individuals and families experiencing homelessness
- Covid-19 Mobilization Efforts and Collaborations
- Affordable and Quality Housing

Next Meeting:

- August 26th 2pm - 3pm

MEMBERSHIP AND NOMINATIONS

Committee Contacts:

Brandy Nauman, **Chair** (bnauman@sussexcountyde.gov)

Co-Chair needed

Goals and Accomplishments in 2021:

This committee annually reviews the DE-CoC membership for compliance with HUD membership requirements, identifies gaps in participation, and provides recommendations for strategic engagement and recruitment of new members.

- 2021 CoC Membership Review
- Membership Engagement Plan
- Membership Governance Updates
- Online Membership Application
- CoC Membership Survey Review
- CoC Newsletter and "Meet the Board Members"

Next Meeting:

- August 24th 1pm - 2pm

SERVICE SOLUTIONS

Committee Contacts:

Jo Allegro Smith, Chair

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Ruthann Messick, Co-Chair (ruthann@delawarerestaurant.org)

Goals and Accomplishments in 2021:

This committee identifies gaps in services or service connections and develops strategies for enhancing or expanding access to these services for persons experiencing homelessness in Delaware.

- Committee membership recruitment (Kent, Sussex)
- Resource Guide
- Unite Us / Unite Delaware Platform

Next Meeting:

August 3rd 10am - 11am

System Performance

- Committee Contacts:

Kim Brockenbrough, **Chair** (kimbrockenbrough@icloud.com)

Co-Chair Needed

- Goals and Accomplishments in 2021:

This committee helps to identify and analyze gaps, evaluate performance, and recommend solutions for improvement of the DE-CoC homeless service system.

Review of the FY20 System Performance Metrics

- System Performance improvement planning
 - RRH Report
 - PIT/HIC Report
 - CMIS Data Survey Review
 - CMIS Coverage Analysis
- Next Meeting:
 - TBD