

# Indy CoC July 2021 Convening

Indianapolis Continuum of Care in partnership with CHIP

November 16, 2021



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# Agenda

- CoC News and Announcements
  - Blueprint Council Elections Update
  - Homeless Persons' Memorial Service
  - PIT Count Announcement
  - Winter Contingency Reminder
  - HUD CoC Program Application Submission
- Community Rehousing Progress Report
- Council Conversations with Dr. Virginia Caine (MCPHD) and Dr. Breanca Merritt (Indiana- FSSA)

# Blueprint Council Elections Update

Nominations close today (November 16) at 5 PM!

# Blueprint Council Elections Reminders

- Electing 2 seats for individuals with lived experience
- Electing 2 seats for direct service provider
  - 1 crisis response provider
  - 1 permanent housing provider
- Eligibility is on the CoC website
- Commitment to diversity

# Election Timeline

- Nominations: November 2-16
  - Nominations committee verifies eligibility, creates ballot
- Voting: November 23 @ Noon-December 7 @ 5 PM
  - Paper ballots can be printed off at [www.indycoc.org](http://www.indycoc.org)
  - **Paper ballots must be submitted by noon on December 7<sup>th</sup>**
  - Paper ballot drop-off days
- Election Verification: December 8 to *no later than December 17*
  - Candidate notifications
  - Election announcement

Nominate a  
candidate  
today!

<https://www.indycoc.org/2021-blueprint-council-elections>

# Homeless Persons' Memorial Service

December 21, 2021 11 AM-Noon

Indianapolis Monument Circle- North Quadrants

# Homeless Persons' Memorial Update

- This year's service will be outdoors on Monument Circle
  - Dress for the weather
  - Limited seating will be available for those who are unable to stand
- CHIP is coordinating in partnership with Christ Church Cathedral and Roberts Park United Methodist
- Please submit names to Amy Gibson [agibson@chipindy.org](mailto:agibson@chipindy.org)
  - Names must be submitted by
- Lunch will be provided for pick-up only
  - Thanks to Lou Malnati's Pizza!





# Serve as a Volunteer Candle Holder

- If you would like to hold a candle in remembrance of an individual, please contact Amy Gibson ([agibson@chipindy.org](mailto:agibson@chipindy.org))

# 2022 Point in Time (PIT) Count

January 24, 2022-January 28, 2022

# What is the PIT Count?

- PIT Count is a single-night census of all individuals experiencing homelessness in shelter, transitional housing, safe haven, or in an unsheltered location
- Count is in last 10 days of January, data is reported to HUD and the community
  - 2021 PIT Count Dashboard
    - <https://www.indycoc.org/coc-dashboards-pit-count>
- We continue to take COVID-19 precautions

# What is the plan for the 2022 PIT Count?

- Second year we will use multi-day count methodology
- Individuals will be asked about where they were on the night of January 24, 2022
- Street outreach will be out daily engaging folks and assisting with surveys
- Community volunteers will be deployed to site-based locations across the community
  - Ex: libraries, day centers, drop-in centers, community meals

# What can I do to assist with the PIT Count?

- Provide feedback on where we should deploy a volunteer team (libraries, community meal events, day center or drop-in locations)
  - Email [information@indycoc.org](mailto:information@indycoc.org) with your suggestions
- Serve as a PIT Count survey volunteer
  - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10cof4ba5aa2fa2f8c16-indianapolis>

# What about shelters?

- HMIS Team will connect with your agency in advance of the PIT Count with reminder of the date and instructions on PIT Count
- Questions? Contact Gwen Beebe ([gbeebe@chipindy.org](mailto:gbeebe@chipindy.org))

# What about families and children?

- PIT Planning Team not only connects with all shelters, but we also connect with all the homeless liaisons serving students in schools across Marion County
- Information is reported back to CHIP and included in our community report

# PIT Count Questions?

- Contact Amy Gibson ([agibson@chipindy.org](mailto:agibson@chipindy.org))



# Winter Contingency Reminder

Winter Contingency is active now until March 31st

# Winter Contingency Plan

- Available on Indy CoC website
  - <https://www.indycoc.org/winter-contingency>
  - Updated regularly throughout the season
  - Quick video overview also available
- City of Indianapolis Extreme Temperature Plan is during declared nights only

# Questions about Winter Contingency?

- Contact Matt Holland ([mholland@chipindy.org](mailto:mholland@chipindy.org))

# Indianapolis HUD CoC Program Application Submitted

Quick Overview of this Year's Application

# What is the CoC Program?

- Largest single source of permanent housing funding in Indianapolis
- Supports supportive housing and rapid-rehousing
- Application opened in August; Indy CoC submitted November 12



What was in  
this year's  
application?

When will we know? When will these new programs start?

- HUD released this year's NOFO late (typical submission deadline is September)
- Funding announcement will likely be March 2022 or later
- Funding will not be available until around September 2022

# Questions?

- Questions about CoC funding? Contact Natalie Roberts (Natalie.Roberts@indy.gov)



# Indianapolis Rehousing Progress Report

# Council Conversations

Dr. Virginia Caine, Marion County Public Health Department

Dr. Breanca Merritt, Indiana Family Supportive Services  
Administration

# Save the dates!

## 2022 Indianapolis CoC Meetings

Tuesday, March 8 9-11 AM

Tuesday, July 12 9-11 AM

Tuesday, September 13 9-11 AM

Tuesday, November 8 9-11 AM

# Questions?

- Please complete our convening feedback survey!
- Please contact [information@indycoc.org](mailto:information@indycoc.org) if you need meeting information
- General inquiries: [information@indycoc.org](mailto:information@indycoc.org)
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