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### DENTON COUNTY HOMELESS COALITION

#### October – December 2019

The Denton County Homeless Coalition has convened 2 times between October and December. Due to the coalition's recent transition to become a workgroup of the Denton County Homelessness Leadership Team, steering committee members elected to eliminate quarterly meetings of the general body and continue to promote monthly steering committee meetings to the entire coalition. The coalition will not meet in December.

UWDC backbone support shared promotional tools for the Denton County Homelessness Barriers Fund match campaign. Staff have also developed a new application process that includes additional training for requesting agencies to ensure all existing resources in the community have been exhausted.

UWDC staff and interns developed a social media campaign during Hunger and Homelessness awareness week (11/16 – 11/24) to raise awareness about homelessness in Denton County and the organizations working to improve collaboration and develop solutions. Social media posts were shared on Facebook during the week and included promotion of the 2020 Point-In-Time Count and the Barriers Fund.

2019 Chair, Mary Jones, has suggested the development of a service provider award and has consulted the coalition for feedback regarding award type and a possible luncheon.

UWDC staff have put together a 2019 Holiday Opportunity List, to which community groups can submit opportunities to give, volunteer or receive a meal or gift during the holiday season. The list is posted on the UWDC website.

The coalition has been planning for the 2020 Point-In-Time Count, scheduled for January 23<sup>rd</sup>. In an effort to count more accurately throughout the county, UWDC backbone support staff have identified geographic leads to assist with volunteer recruitment and PIT Count oversight the day of the count. Staff developed flyers to promote volunteering and donating for the PIT Count, as well as flyers to let potential survey participants when and where the count will take place.

In November, the coalition identified the 2020 Chair – Daphne Adams with Christian Community Action.

#### Short-term action items

Planning and preparation for the 2020 Point-In-Time Count

#### Accomplishments

Identified 2020 Chair – Daphne Adams, Christian Community Action

#### Concerns

Sufficient volunteers and donations for the 2020 PIT Count

#### Next Meeting Dates

January 22, 2020