

State of North Carolina

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GOVERNOR

May 26, 2017

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8

NORTH CAROLINA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL FOR COORDINATING HOMELESS PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, homelessness denies individuals and families their basic need for adequate housing; and

WHEREAS, homelessness is a barrier to healthcare, academic success, employment opportunities, and overall quality of life; and

WHEREAS, state and local agencies, non-profits, and the business community provide programs and services to address issues related to homelessness; and

WHEREAS, advocates, service providers, and funders must collaborate, identify best practices, and maximize resources to help eliminate homelessness.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as the Governor by the laws and Constitution of the State of North Carolina, IT IS ORDERED:

Section 1. Establishment

The North Carolina Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs (hereinafter the "Interagency Council") is hereby established.

Section 2. Membership

The Interagency Council shall consist of a Chairperson appointed by the Governor and 26 additional members who shall be appointed by the Governor from the following state agencies, non-profits, and business community, or qualifying category:

- a. One member from the North Carolina Department of Administration.
- b. One member from the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency.
- c. One member from the North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management.
- d. One member from the North Carolina Community College System.
- e. One member from the North Carolina Department of Public Safety.
- f. One member from the North Carolina Department of Commerce.
- g. One member from the North Carolina Department of Military and Veteran Affairs.
- h. Three members from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services that represent persons with disabilities, older adults, and the economically disadvantaged.
- i. One member from the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.
- j. One member from a county government.k. One member from a city government.
- 1. One member from the faith-based community.

- m. Three members from non-profit agencies that provide services to people that are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- n. One member from the North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness.
- o. One member from the North Carolina Housing Coalition.
- p. One member from the business community that develops affordable housing.
- q. One member representing Public Housing Authorities.
- r. One member representing the homeless or formerly homeless.
- s. Two members from the North Carolina Senate.
- t. Two members from the North Carolina House of Representatives.

Section 3. Term of Membership

Members of the Interagency Council shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. A vacancy occurring during a term of appointment will be filled by the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 4. Meetings

The Interagency Council shall meet quarterly, at the request of the Chairperson, or upon written request from at least five (5) of its members.

Section 5. **Duties**

- 1. The Interagency Council will advise the Governor, Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, other state agencies, and partners on issues related to housing stabilization for persons that are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- The Interagency Council will identify and secure resources.
 The Interagency Council will promote evidence-based best practices to address the needs of persons that are homeless and at risk of homelessness.
- 4. The Interagency Council will submit a report annually by December 31 that details its accomplishments, recommends short and long-term policy initiatives that increase permanent housing, identifies barriers, and lists options to enhance the service provision for persons that are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Section 6. **Administration**

The Department of Health and Human Services shall provide administrative and staff support required by the Interagency Council. Administrative costs, special function expenses and the cost of member per diem, travel, and subsistence expenses shall be paid from State funds appropriated to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.

Section 7. Effect and Duration

This Executive Order is effective immediately. It supersedes and replaces all other executive orders on this subject. It shall remain in effect until December 31, 2020, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 147-16.2 or until rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in the City of Raleigh, this twenty-sixth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen.

Roy Cooper

Governor

ATTEST:

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Secretary of State

