C TENNESSEE VALLEY CONTINUUM of CARE

The mission of the Tennessee Valley Continuum of Care is to foster collaborative efforts that enhance awareness and create solutions to **prevent, reduce, and alleviate homelessness** in our region.

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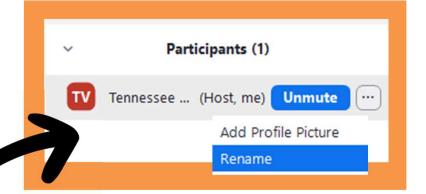
March 4th, 2025

House Keeping Notes:





This is how we will take attendance!



Mute your audio!

Change your Zoom name to include your first & last name, pronouns (if you'd like), and your organization.

Partner Spotlight





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Blount County Transition Campus

Blount County Transition Campus, a transformative initiative designed to support individuals with co-occurring disorders as they transition from incarceration back into the community.

This comprehensive campus will offer a full continuum of re-entry services, including:

- Housing
- Transportation
- · Job training and placement
- · Life skills development
- Financial literacy education
- Comprehensive co-occurring treatment services

Campus Overview

The Blount County Transition Campus will include **six facilities** with the capacity to serve **62 time**:

- Four recovery homes (adjacent to each other), providing a total of 28 units
- A 16-bed substance use residential treatment facility
- An **18-bed** residential re-entry treatment facility (men only)





Executive Orders



Executive orders (EOs) signed by the President provide guidance and directives to federal agencies on their operations and policies and have the force of law. Once they are signed, they remain in effect unless they expire, are revoked, or nulled in court. Only a sitting President can rescind executive orders signed by a previous administration. However, executive orders are not legislation, and while Congress can advance legislation that supports or hinders the effects, it cannot overturn them. After he was sworn into office, President Trump signed dozens of EOs covering a broad range of issues.

Why it Matters to Nonprofits

The work of charitable nonprofits cover a wide range of causes and efforts, and executive orders have the potential to impact funding, staffing, and general operations of critical community services. The implications of the executive orders vary greatly from immediately taking effect to immediately being challenged in court. Staying abreast of the executive orders and their related actions is crucial for ensuring nonprofits are aware of upcoming hurdles to their work. Nonprofits with federal grants and contracts, especially those providing diversity, equity, and inclusion trainings and programs to or in partnership with the federal government, or work in immigration, LGBTQ+ rights, or environmental protection, should review their programs and contract language immediately as it pertains the various EOs.

Track Executive Orders <u>Here</u>

Tennessee Legislation



Campsite Removal on State Property* - HB0197

As introduced, requires the department of transportation to develop and implement a policy, through partnership with other state and local agencies and nonprofit entities, regarding the collection, storage, claiming, and disposal of personal property used for camping from the shoulder, berm, or right-of-way of a state or interstate highway, or under a bridge or overpass, or within an underpass, of a state or interstate highway. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 13; Title 39; Title 54; Title 55 and Title 71. (Also contains this: "Completion of all removal operations initiated as a result of a citizen complaint within thirty (30) days following the receipt of the complaint")

The aggressive 30-day timeline outlined in this bill will create additional hardships for people who are unhoused and the outreach organizations that assist them. Removing people's personal belongings through camp closures has also been shown to have a negative impact on people's health and wellbeing and can prolong homelessness.

This bill has been delayed as the Senator is looking at making changes after local advocacy

Obstruction of Highways, Sidewalks, etc. – Misdemeanor to Felony – HB0729

As introduced, increases the penalty for obstruction of a highway, street, sidewalk, railway, waterway, elevator, aisle, hallway, or other place used for the passage of persons or vehicles from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class E felony; establishes an increased penalty of a Class D felony if the offense was committed by intentionally obstructing a highway, street, or other place used for the passage of vehicles. - Amends TCA Title 39.

This bill was updated by the Senator to exclude mentions of places outside of streets, highways, or any other place for the passage of persons or vehicles after local advocacy. It will be heading to the House Committee with our goal of them passing the same amendment

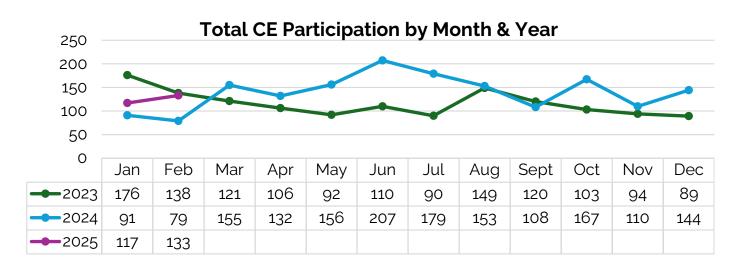
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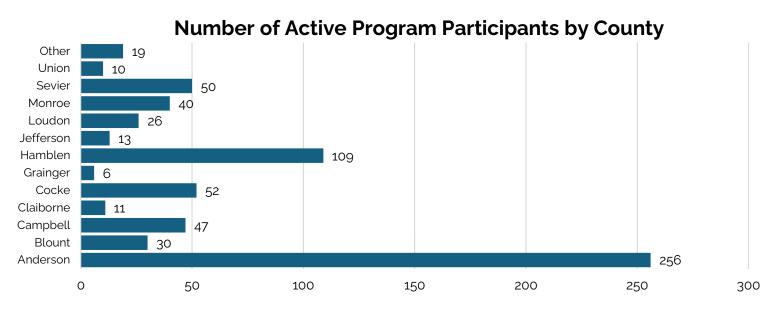


Individual Agency News/Updates/ Agency Successes!

CoC Data Reports



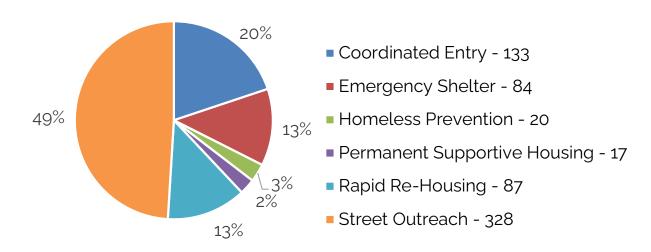




CoC Data Reports



Percentage of Total Active Enrolments by Program Type



Total number of unduplicated individuals that are actively enrolled: 591 Unduplicated Number of Households: 433

Percentage of Veterans – 7.61%

Percentage of Domestic Violence Victims – 3.05%

Percentage of Disabled Individuals – 45.35%

Percentage of Chronically Homeless – 17.94%

CoC Data Report



GRADE BASED ON COUNT FOR EACH ELEMENT:	HUD UDE ONLY	Additional ONLY	HUD Verification ONLY F 73.30%		OVERALL
	Α	В			C 88.91%
	96.22%	86.47%			
Additional Data Elements:					
Domestic Violence		Adults/HoH	124	121	97.58%
Income Received (Y/N)		Adults/HoH	124	102	82.26%
Non-Cash Benefit Received (Y/N)		Adults/HoH	124	101	81.45%
Covered by Health Insurance (Y/N)		All	428	362	84.58%
HUD Verification: (Elements measure completene	ss at entry ONLY)				
Disability Type		All	428	271	63.32%
Income Source		Adults/HoH	124	82	66.13%
Income Amount (for all valid sources)		Adults/HoH Recv Inc = Y	41	39	95.12%
Non-Cash Source		Adults/HoH	124	85	68.55%
Health Insurance Type		All	428	314	73.36%

January 2025 Timeliness Calculation						
Timeliness Calculation	# of Project Start	# of Project Exit				
Timetiness catculation	Records	Records				
o days	54	45				
1 - 3 days	105	73				
4 - 6 days	21	11				
7 - 10 days	8	1				
11+ days	19	25				
Timeliness Percentage:	76.52%					

See the Report PDF in the Chat for the full data report.

CoC Updates



Looking to stay up to date on local events, news, best practices in homelessness, and funding opportunities?

Email Katelyn at kmcguire@tvceh.org to be put on our TVCoC Listserv to receive the TVCoC Resource Email

TVCoC has arranged various trainings for CoC Members and the public. The CoC agenda email and following slide detail each upcoming training.

Upcoming Training



TVCoC Opioid Overdose and Naloxone Training by MDC

March 12, 2025 12pm-1:30pm Zoom

Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83756028855?pwd=zyfWU0R2JLlbSBfzVRhu6PYoZMKZkC.1

TVCoC Compassion Fatigue Training by MDC

May 8, 2025 12pm-12:30pm Zoom

Link:https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89143260902?pwd=flXaDbYpkHaMl5leAbGkMgzf7jTzue.1

TVCoC Mental Health First Aid Training by MDC

June 13, 2025 9am-4:30pm United Way of Greater Knoxville 1301 Hannah Ave Knoxville, TN 37921

TVCoC QPR Suicide Prevention Training by MDC

August 13, 2025 12pm-1pm Zoom

Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83561554828?pwd=e9yWWUBloa37lvGZ3atyamqoYn9nJC.1

TVCoC Stigma-First Person Language Training by MDC

September 23, 2025 12pm-1pm Zoom

Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82941801226?pwd=iX5xLZa0syYyBAr6J2W37b5AwjTdFn.1TVCHomeless.org

Federal Funding Freeze



On Jan. 27, 2025, the Office of Management of Budget (OMB) issued an memo in response to some of the executive orders, including Merit-Based Opportunity, that called for the pausing of all OMB grants and loans. The National Council of Nonprofits, American Public Health Association, Main Street Alliance, and SAGE filed to stop the memo from going into effect (see the Complaint).

On Jan. 28, 2025, minutes before the memo went into effect, a DC federal judge ordered an <u>administrative stay</u>. On Jan. 29, OMB <u>rescinded</u> the memo. The judge issued a <u>temporary restraining</u> <u>order</u> on Feb. 3, 2025 prohibiting the "implementing, giving effect to, or reinstating under a different name the directive to halt federal spending broadly."

A preliminary injunction (<u>order</u> and <u>opinion</u>) extending the prohibition against the funding freeze was issued on Feb. 25.

2025 THDA ESG Application



The 2025 Emergency Solutions Grant funding opportunity, funded through THDA, has been released for anyone looking to provide homeless services. The application requires CoC involvement and is an open application to any organization wanting to apply.

Due date: March 27, 2025

ESG Website: https://thda.org/government-nonprofit-partners/emergency-solution-grants-esg-program

CoC Membership & Dues



Looking to become a voting Tennessee Valley Continuum of Care member?

Fill out the CoC Membership application found here

CoC Committee Updates



HMIS & Data Management

Chair: Andy O'Quinn | andy.oquinn@oakridgetorch.org

Coordinated Entry

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Chair: Nikki Lynn | nlynn@tvceh.org

Written Standards

Chair: Tonya Polidoro | directorofmats@gmail.com

Rank & Review

Chair: Angela Stolpe | astolpe@unitedwayblount.org

BFZ Improvement Committee

Co-Chairs: Angela Stolpe | astolpe@unitedwayblount.org Katelyn McGuire | kmcguire@tvceh.org

Discussion/Questions



The floor is open for other questions or discussions.

Next Meeting



<u>In-Person Meeting</u>-

April 1st @ 10 am

Link is provided via email before the meeting as well as in the invitation.

2025 CoC Meeting Dates



January 7—In person

February 4

March 4

April 1—In person

May 6

June 3

July 8—In person

August 5

September 2

October 7—In person

November 4

Thank you for attending!



Proud CoC Members















