

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ALLIANCE CENTRAL VIRGINIA

Mass Care and Human Services Committee

Thursday, March 5, 2020 1:30pm

Plan RVA | 9211 Forest Hill Ave Suite 200 RVA 23235



Minutes

In attendance:

Karen Jones, Chesterfield DSS

Ginny Ferguson, Hanover DSS

Paul Hundley, Richmond (Chair)

David Woods, Chesterfield HD

Terry Raines, Volunteer

Altise Street, 211

Doug Gagnon, VDEM Region 1

Donald Hunter, Prince George

Kate Bausman, VDH

Meredith Snellings, Red Cross

Ginny Ferguson, Hanover DSS

Mike Magner, VDH

Kate Hale, New Kent

Anthony McLean, Richmond OEM

Ben Ruppert, Hopewell

Amory James, FeedMore

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm and welcomed all. Everyone introduced themselves.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** The Chair called a motion to approve the minutes from February 2020. Ginny Ferguson seconded. All were in favor.
3. **Regional Feeding Work Group Update**
 - Group originally met in 2017 – partnered with VCA VOAD. Wanted to identify feeding partners, resources, capacity, etc and establish MOU with these partner agencies. Wanted to focus on development of service of delivery.
 - Looking to do a trial run in 2020 with BGAV. We will do a tabletop, exercise, looking at trigger points, etc.
 - Localities do not have to stop using their local feeding partners or relationships. If a locality has a bigger impact, then central POC can be used to pull more resources.
 - The regional plan would benefit from a state perspective.
 - Regional Feeding Work Group update powerpoint is attached.
4. **FY19 SHSP Regional Mass Care/Training Exercise Grant (\$60,000)**
 - The deadline to spend the FY19 SHSP grant funds is Jun 2021.
 - Per decisions made at previous meetings, about \$30,000 of that grant has been dedicated to support the following projects:
 - Pet Shelter Course – Committee formed to plan the training event. Will include a 2.5 day training event for up to 50 participants. Estimated cost: \$5000. The Planning Group has not met yet regarding the course. Donnie Embrey will be facilitating the training and

it will be held in Goochland at the new Animal Care and Control facility. The target audience for the class are your local animal care and control, CERT groups who may support shelter operations.

- Mass Care Symposium – Still looking to confirm the dates for the venue and the speakers.
 - Feeding Training and Exercise. About \$6000 - \$8000 allocated to support several events related to the new regional feeding plan. We have created some guidance documents/MOU's for these.
 - We have about \$25k uncommitted for this grant. Kate Bausman noted that she would send a proposal for trainings that could utilize some of those funds.
 - *Surviving & Thriving Regional Group*
 - The group is planning to present this training at the March EMACV Meeting/TEPW. This will be held on March 19th. We will be having a conference call early next week to discuss logistics of our presentation.
5. **FY18 MCHS Training & Exercise grants. (\$0 remaining. Grant period ends on Mar 31, 2019)**
- The funds are currently exhausted. We only have about \$400 remaining. We can spend this amount on something small, but it has to be purchased by the end of the month.
6. **FY18 Shelter Equipment Grant - \$61,488 (\$9,713.32 remaining) – must be spent by Mar 31, 2020**
- This past month, we purchased shelter supplies for Hopewell that equaled to about \$1,200. We were not able to purchase Clorox or hand sanitizer because of the current pandemic situation.
 - We have \$2,767.80 remaining in the grant. We must get a quote and encumber the funds as soon as possible – by the end of the month. The group decided that we would purchase white boards for shelters. Each runs about \$100 each – we could order about 27 which would cover the remaining grant funds.
7. **FY20 Grant Applications**
- These grants are due at the end of April. The group decided that we would like to do an FY20 equipment grant this year. It will focus on equipment for accessibility.
8. **Round table discussion:**
- Karen Jones (Chesterfield)– Had first round of shelter training conducted by Red Cross. We need to be more active with planning.
 - Paul Hundley (Richmond) - Monument 10k is coming to Richmond in two weekends.
 - Katie Moody (Plan RVA) – The new Committee meeting schedule will start next month. On March 11th, we will be having the Regional Recovery Seminar. We are opening the seminar to all emergency management professionals who may be involved in recovery. Lunch will be provided.

The Chair ended the meeting at 3:10pm.