

### **Consumer Advocacy Committee:**

The purpose of the Consumer Advisory Committee is to Educate. Advocate. Inform Change.

To be the grassroots voice in the County of Broward that brings an acute awareness to the struggles and concerns of those who are about to or are currently experiencing homelessness in the community

The Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC) will serve as a forum to incorporate consumer feedback within policy and strategic decisions and action items under the Plan. At least two members of the CAC shall have a seat on the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board. Members may also serve on subcommittees and workgroups. Participation on CoC Committee, subcommittees and workgroups may also include additional consumers and users of homeless housing services outside of CAC members.

### **Coordinated Assessment & Housing Placement Workgroup:**

The role of this workgroup is to review the HEARTH Act 2009, analyze changes to the McKinney-Vento Act and impact of the changes in the Homeless Continuum.

### **Performance & Outcomes & Needs & Gaps (PONG) Committee:**

The main goal of HUD, and all who work with persons who are homeless is permanent housing, so there is a need to create more beds that are permanent. The new procedures should make the emergency shelter a last resort. The committee discussed the decisions which must be made regarding the criteria we are now trying to meet. It was agreed that the committee must make a reasonable list of criteria our CoC is trying to achieve, to meet the HUD requirements, and specifically to increase our scores on the HUD application.

### **Permanent Housing Committee:**

This group would be in charge of developing targeting criteria for permanent supportive housing, identifying service providers that could provide the supportive services to create more permanent supportive housing units, and preparing to take advantage of changes to Medicaid.