



# *Interagency Council on Homelessness*

## *Full Council*



***10 December 2024***

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The ICH serves as the Continuum of Care (CoC) governance board. Chaired by the City Administrator, the Council includes representatives of key government agencies, service providers, advocates, constituents, and the private sector.

# Meeting Agenda



- I. **Opening & Welcome (10 mins)**
  - a) Moment of Silence
  - b) Recognition of Support
  - c) Acknowledgement of DC Government and Community Representatives
- II. **Public Comments (20 mins)**
- III. **System Check-In (20 mins)**
  - a) Significant Landscape Shifts
  - b) Constituent Concerns (including pre-meeting discussions)
- IV. **Governance (30 mins)**
  - a) Annual Responsibilities & Timelines
  - b) Status of the Council
  - c) 2024 Nominations: Full Council and Leadership Slates
  - d) Forums & Work Plan
- V. **Announcements & Reminders (5 mins)**
- VI. **Summary & Adjournment (5 mins)**
  - a) Next Meeting: Tuesday, 03/11 from 3 – 4:30 pm (Pre-Meeting 1 – 2:30 pm)

# Welcome – Opening Remarks



Moment of Silence



Recognition & Thanks



Welcome & Roll Call

# Recognition



## Support for the 12/10 ICH Full Council Meeting:

- ❖ DCPL MLK for hosting
- ❖ Olive Tree Media for A/V services
- ❖ Echelon Community Services for refreshments
- ❖ Pathways, DHS, and DCHA for support with client inquiries

# Welcome DC Gov Representatives



<b>City Administrator, Chair</b>	<b>DC Housing Authority</b>
<b>Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services</b>	<b>Department of Corrections</b>
<b>Interagency Council on Homelessness</b>	<b>Department of Employment Services</b>
<b>Department of Human Services</b>	<b>Office of the State Superintendent of Education</b>
<b>Department of Behavioral Health</b>	<b>Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency</b>
<b>Child and Family Services Agency</b>	<b>Department of General Services</b>
<b>Department of Housing and Community Development</b>	<b>DC Metropolitan Police</b>
<b>Department of Health</b>	<b>Office of LGBTQ Affairs</b>



# Welcome Community Representatives



**Providers (DC Council Confirmation Pending for 6 out of 8 Nominees, designated by \*)**

**Amanda Chesney, Catholic Charities (2025)**

**Angela Jones Hackley, Covenant House Greater Washington (2025)\***

**Kelly Sweeney McShane, Community of Hope (2025)**

**Adam Rocap, Miriam's Kitchen (2026)\***

**Christy Respress, Pathways to Housing (2026)\***

**Lynn Amano, Friendship Place (2026)\***

**Nikila Smith, Street Sense Vendor Program (2026)\***

**Roxanne Murray, Echelon Community Services (2026)\***

# Welcome Continued



**Lived Experience** (DC Council Confirmation Pending for 2 out of 4 Nominees, designated by \*)

**Qaadir El-Amin, People for Fairness Coalition (2025)**

**Reginald Black, People for Fairness Coalition (2025)**

**Daniel Rico, Sasha Bruce Youthwork (2026)\***

**Rico Harris, Community for Creative Non-Violence (2026)\***

**Advocates** (DC Council Confirmation Pending for 2 out of 4 Nominees, designated by \*)

**Karen Cunningham, Everyone Home DC (2025)**

**Kate Coventry, DC Fiscal Policy Institute (2025)**

**Deborah Jones, Housing Up (2026)\***

**Rachelle Ellison, People for Fairness Coalition (2026)\***

# Welcome Continued



**Business/Private** (DC Council Confirmation Pending for 2 out of 4 Nominees, designated by \*)

**Catherine Crosland, Unity Healthcare (2025)**

**Shellon Fraser, National Housing Trust (2025)**

**Tobie Smith, Street Health DC (2026)**

**Tonia Wellons, Great Washington Community Foundation (2026)**

**Collaborative Applicant**

**Sue Marshall, The Community Partnership to End Homelessness**

**Non-Voting Seats**

**Chairman, DC Council, Phil Mendelson**

**Councilmember, DC Council Committee on Housing, Robert C. White, Jr.**

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# Public Comments Guidelines

To accommodate as many public comments as possible, time allotted will be limited based on interest in participation.

- ❖ Comments are limited to:
  - 3 mins per person if there are 5 people or less
  - 2 mins per person if there are up to 8 people
- ❖ Comments will not be addressed during the Public Comments period.

*Thank you in advance for your understanding!*

*Reminder that you are welcome to email [ich.info@dc.gov](mailto:ich.info@dc.gov) at any time.*

# Live Notes on Public Comments



- ❖ **Jamiylah M. (Advocate):** I am unhoused. Three issues I want to speak to:
  - There is a poster in all the homeless shelter locations. It has three different paragraphs about how a complaint can be submitted. The first paragraph says it is to be submitted at the shelter level. The second says, if not satisfactorily handled or not comfortable sharing with the shelter, go to TCP. The third says if not resolved, submit to DHS monitoring unit HSMU. None of these paragraphs say how long each phase will take. Please add it so we are aware of how long each complaint will tarry at each level. Submitted at shelter and waited 1.5 months, then submitted to TCP, three of them. One was replied to and so called resolved. In that reply, said they should submit to the shelter first. That's not what the poster says. I do not need it repeated to me. The poster says it. The other two issues are still tarrying at TCP and it has been over 60 days. What legally is the timeline at each level?
  - Second issue is housing. I don't want to be in low barrier shelter for the next year. I don't know how LRSP works, need to know more. I am not interested in HCVP. My SPDAT qualifies me for RRH.
  - Final is employment. I need help. DOES helped with education, but not referrals to jobs.



## ❖ **Robert Warren (PFFC):**

- Would like to thank Director Zeilinger for all her work over the years in the community.
- Also want to read off ICH Bylaws “1.1 Purpose: Established for the purpose for facilitating...” The first part important to me is the policymaking. PFFC has been advocating for public policy to allow people for a public voucher.
- Number two, the budget planning – we have not done a good job of that. Last year is a good example. Us having equity in the budget process is not occurring. I raised this in the pre-meeting. We have those bodies. Should be about reparations.

# Live Notes on Public Comments



- ❖ **Rachel White (Deputy Director of Youth Advocacy, DC Action):** Hearing from youth service providers that they have not been paid for their FY25 contracts 3 months in which impacts their ability to pay payroll and provide services.



## ❖ **Jakia Carroll (Advocate):**

- My first concerns for the Council and the ICH is the poor programming and services and amount of funding used to keep programs that are not working. Not just day centers or shelters. It is across the board for employment. These services are not adequate to promote stability.
- Your public/private partnership is not accountable. There is no one to protect us as citizens under your partnership. I have been coming to you for seven years now when it was originally under TCP. They don't want me to believe I have been enslaved. Without life and liberty, that is what is happening. The division to keep us against each other is built in to this level. Sorry I have to say this, but my suffering is real. I have the right to say this and working with the people in the community. The crimes have not stopped, they have increased. I need a public hearing.

# Live Notes on Public Comments



- ❖ **TS (ICH):** While we can not fully address in this meeting, there are agency staff from DHS, DC Housing Authority, available to connect.
- ❖ **CR (Pathways):** Where does that feedback regarding grievance process live and follow up on?
  - **LZ (DHS):** There is a range of complaints and process, but we do need a feedback loop so people know what is happening. Will take that back to the team and work on it.
  - **TS (ICH):** Shelter Solutions is the right Workgroup to work on this specific to shelters. This question about escalation and grievance protocols though is something we get feedback on and it is not always related to shelters. So, the other place may be Housing Solutions CMTE or Strategic Planning CMTE for protocols for housing programs.
  - **LZ (DHS):** A lot is operational about how we track and communicate and having clear protocols. To avoid it being diluted in CMTEs, we can propose something for community review.

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# Significant Updates & Landscape Shifts



Ongoing/Outstanding Topic or Concern	ICH Forum(s)
<p><b>Progress Report (Annual Update) and Work Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FY24 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) now available for review at in Dec/Jan meetings. ICH team to integrate data in draft Progress Report and account for implications in Work Plan during month of February for adoption in March.</li> </ul>	Strategic Planning CMTE & WGs
<p><b>Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The portal closed within 5 hours of opening on 11/20 for applications expending FY25 funds.</li> </ul>	Housing Solutions CMTE
<p><b>Families Exiting Family Re-Housing Stabilization Program (FRSP) to HCVP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tracking status of exits from FRSP, including timeline to voucher approval with DCHA.</li> </ul>	Family System WG
<p><b>HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) &amp; CoC Builds NOFO</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TCP submitted the NOFO applications on 10/29 and 11/20 respectively. Available <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul>	Executive & Strategic Planning CMTEs
<p><b>Inauguration &amp; Annual Point in Time (PIT) Count</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Due to the timing of the inauguration, the <a href="#">District's PIT Count</a> is scheduled for 01/29.</li> </ul>	Front Door Services WG
<p><b>Peer Case Management Institute (PCMI): Cohort II</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DHS and Institute partners accepted applications through 12/01, with plans for a Feb. 2025 kickoff.</li> </ul>	Strategic Planning CMTE
<p><b>Single Adult Shelter Transformations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tracking status and DHS call for support in advancing shelter redevelopments through FY25 and beyond.</li> </ul>	ERSO CMTE & WGs
<p><b>Virginia Williams Family Resource Center (VWFRC) Move</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On 12/23, <a href="#">VWFRC will relocate</a> from its Rhode Island Ave NE location to the first floor of 64 New York Avenue NE.</li> </ul>	Family System WG
<p><b>Winter Plan Implementation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitoring hypothermia and cold weather emergencies, including operational shifts and challenges.</li> <li>Check out <a href="http://cold.dc.gov">cold.dc.gov</a> and sign up for <a href="#">Alert DC</a> for updates daily and throughout the season.</li> </ul>	ERSO CMTE & WGs

# Status of Progress Report & Work Plan



- ❖ **FY24 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) available for review and integration!**
  - Outstanding Deliverables:
    - ✓ Progress Report (Annual Update) to integrate data
    - ✓ Work Plan to account for implications on priorities/projects
  - Timing:
    - ✓ ICH Strategic Planning CMTE & WGs to review in Dec and January
    - ✓ ICH Team to update deliverables for CMTE and WG review in February
    - ✓ ICH Full Council to adopt updated deliverables in March
  
- ❖ **Homeward DC 3.0: Timeline & Approach**
  - Feedback to explicitly account for the close out of Solid Foundations and the development of HWDC 3.0 in the Work Plan
  - Upcoming 12/17 ICH Strategic Planning CMTE Meeting for preliminary proposal

# Additional Constituent Concerns



- ❖ **NS (Street Sense Vendor):** Singles do not get universal income. Need jobs for people with lived experience. Need to pay us adequately. You write it into grants, but you don't pay my worth. Don't want voucher or food stamps. Money is the issue, because money is needed to live.

# Additional Constituent Concerns



- ❖ **RE (PFFC):** Spoke at pre-meeting about two things:
  - The benefits cliff. I can get jobs, but it means I may lose my voucher, my medical insurance. I have chronic illnesses. When does the cliff get raised so we can go to work and say thank you for the voucher and graduate? I am not the only one. I want to work and have a meaningful career and have the energy and faith to jump out there. Doing so means losing the benefits I have. Don't care about food, I can buy that. It's the housing and Medicaid. It's the systematic racism and poverty.
  - The second thing I raised is resources. We are boots on the ground doing HMIS and CAHP. Looking people in the eye and telling them there are no resources even if they score. We are feeling the pain with them, trying to give them hope. Not giving us the resources. We need ERAP and vouchers. We must fight for the resources regardless of what the Mayors budget says.

# Live Notes on System Check-In



- ❖ **RB (SYC, PFFC):** One thing I heard in the pre-meeting was services themselves need improving. People going through the process and the process and system have failed them. Heard several stories people are homeless for extended periods of time. We have to do better with the services and make sure they are comfortable. Too many people are falling through the gaps. We have to make sure people understand the policies and when they do not serve the people. That's what I heard from the pre-meeting.

# Live Notes on System Check-In



- ❖ **TS (ICH):** Thank you for your reflections and thoughts. One of the things described in detail was some of the ways programs are falling short in terms of quality.
  - One of the points we were talking through was the tension between serving more people versus less services. For example, the Aston and the tradeoff to serve fewer people in one room, versus several more people in more crowded space.
  - The other was around food in the day centers. That was one of the take aways. The other set of questions are not necessarily for homeless services, but about how judicious we are being with funds. Those are two key things.
  - Heard the refrain that the experience is severe, so also need to reflect and honor testimony of a case manager who broke down about the same issues.
- ❖ **LZ (DHS):** We never try to frame budget like that between quantity and quality. It is about need and what can we do to address the need in the budget. While we do have more to do, we are proud of the Aston because it helped people accept a place inside and step on to housing. There are two people per room. We continue to make improvements in the quality and we still need more.

# Live Notes on System Check-In



- ❖ **ACA Rodriguez:** One other issue I heard was concern for vulnerability of people experiencing homelessness in terms of safety and crime. So, need to make sure we are getting that info to our law enforcement partners.
- ❖ **CC (DMHHS):** Heard emphasis on racial equity. The Mayor's Office of Racial Equity is woven into the budget process, so happy to support with follow up on that front.
  - **TS (ICH):** There is a lot of interest in that office and the role in budget engagement and review. In terms of strategically planning for how we inform the budget and how we advance Homeward DC 3.0, those are spaces to host those conversations.
- ❖ **RE (PFFC):** When will E Street Shelter open?
  - **LZ (DHS):** Do not have a hard date yet.
  - **AK (DGS):** Do not have a date, but will work to confirm.
- ❖ **NS (Street Sense Vendor):** I have not missed a meeting. Cant complain if do not put forth the effort to help. I have done presentations to help and I don't get feedback. I am answering questions. If you don't want my feedback, don't waste my time.



- ❖ **AC (Catholic Charities):** Regarding client grievances, have spoken about it at Shelter Solns WG - For those of use contracted through TCP, there is a policy that it be posted at each shelter, and the timelines are supposed to be posted as well. At Catholic Charities (every agency sets their own), that timeline is 3 days. So, they check the box every day or every other day to respond in writing or verbally. If it is not handled, it is escalated. That is a requirement we are often audited on, so if it is a TCP contracted program would raise it to them. That is the point of the CoC is a standard and accountability.



- ❖ **RB (SYC):** Heard you say 3 days. I love you Amanda, but I have never gotten a grievance back in 3 days. This is what we are talking about – you may say 3 days, but do the managers and supervisors actually take 3 days? Where is the public communication on resolutions? We never get data. This leaves people in a black hole, and it leaves people frustrated.
  - **TS (ICH):** I hear you saying, in addition to appropriate timeline, we also need a feedback loop to understand the kind of complaints coming in. It is not just enough to know there is a feedback loop but that as a system, we don't know what the most frequent complaints are or how they are changing. As DHS follows up on grievances, is there an opportunity to see a report on complaints so we can understand?
  - **LZ (DHS):** We will work with all levels for reports – provider, TCP and DHS HSMU and OPRMI. Our HSMU has an annual report to Council. There is a host of different layers so we can take a look at trends and what makes sense. Where we will benefit from feedback is how to categorize, some is very nuanced or specific.



- ❖ **AC (Cath.Char.):** We should keep it on the agenda for Shelter Solutions WG. Catholic Charities does not have a fancy system for tracking, so aggregate data is helpful. Will voluntarily bring that data. It is a challenge about operationalizing, so data is meaningful as feedback loop. Would need other providers to join that group and do the same.
- ❖ **RE (PFFC):** You probably do not mean to be condescending, but when people with lived experience talk. Do not say “what I got from this is...” we know what we are saying. What we said is what we said. Please stop. That is condescending.
  - **TS (ICH):** I thought I was trying to reflect back what was landing with me. Did not mean to be offensive with that.

# Live Notes on System Check-In



- ❖ **RM (Echelon):** We had some powerful testimony today. I have been on both sides of the fence. It takes courage to stand up and speak up. Part of it is understanding to stand and speak anyway, even when it gets challenging.
  - Some people do not bring the same level to the work we do, won't say they don't care but have never seen anyone do what we do for the money. I can speak only for me. I work with young people who are homeless that 18-25 population. We do what we can with the resources to make lives better and encourage them despite horrible things that happened to them.
  - As someone who has been in the trenches and both sides of this conversation. Work is meaningful and because we care, not for money. Want to say thank you to those folks. Have people out here doing amazing things despite challenges. For people I know putting it down 100%, know gratitude does not come with this work. A lot of times things that are said...we have feelings and emotions too. Have to acknowledge that and trying to be about something, that's why we are here. When we come together despite some differences, we are really a community and we are in this together. There are some of us that fight just as hard. Needed to speak that as my truth.

# Live Notes on System Check-In



- ❖ **NS (Street Sense Vendor):** I understand you. I have taken backlash for speaking the same as you in ICH meetings. People only get to speak here once a month. Sometimes they need to get it out. Its horrible to retell my story. I understand you go through things. I want to be a case manager, want and need to know how to handle it all. Just because you're trained, does not prepare you. Have to cover your mental. Some of you, I will call or text and say thank you. But none of you are my friend. This is business. We are sitting here for change. But sometimes change hurts. I work 8 jobs, and I don't make near what you are making.

# Live Notes on System Check-In



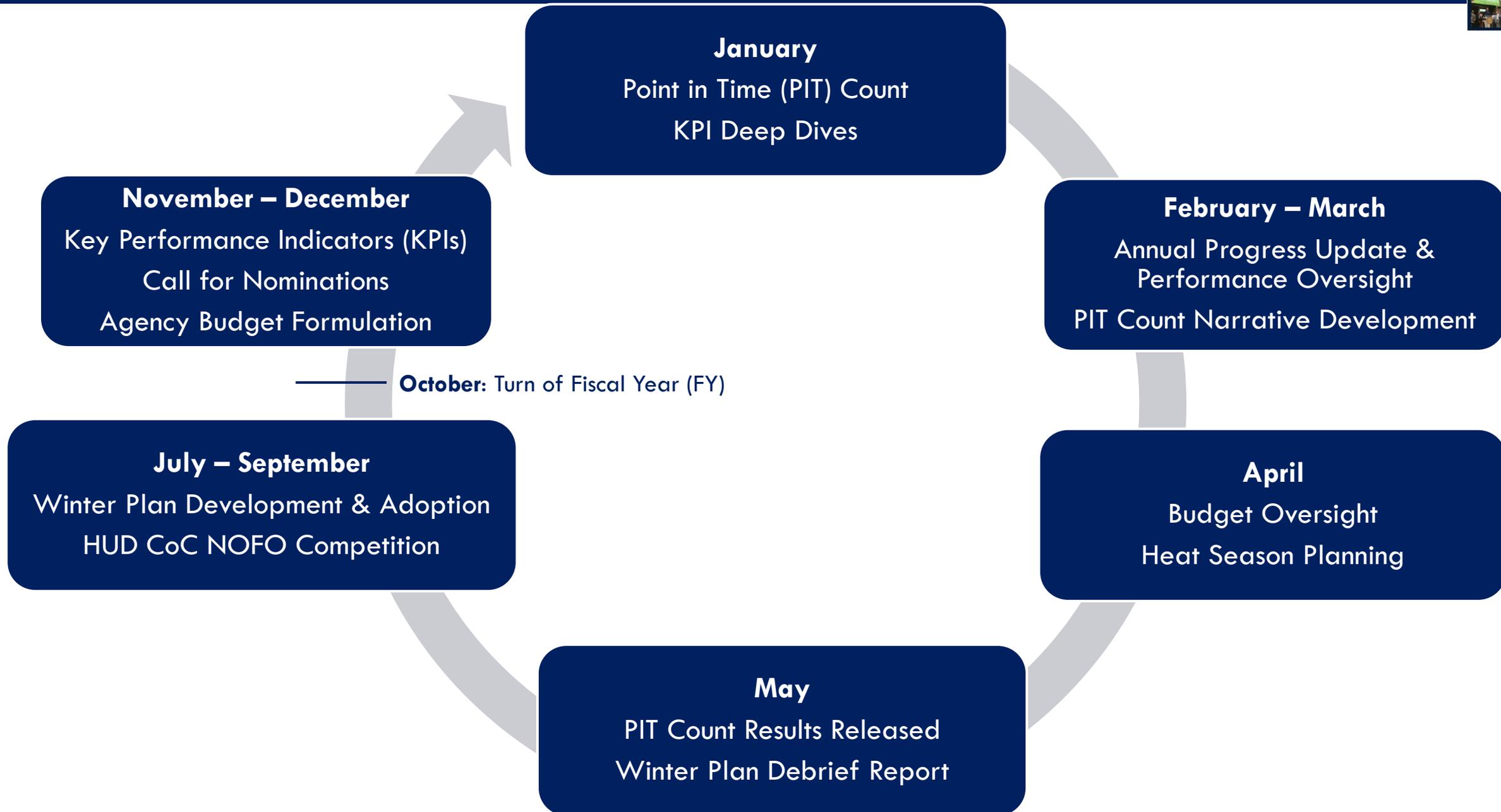
- ❖ **RH (CCNV):** 37 years ago, Mitch Snyder came to the govt for support. I have about 40 staff members that are volunteers and do not get. Their reputation is bashed because they are homeless. Our reputation is based on how the building looks. The condition of the last 20 years has always been the staff issue. I would not trade any of my staff. These individuals sitting and advocating should be appreciated, more is being done now than what I have seen over the last 17 years as they try to make decisions for the community. There is a lot of difficulty and troubles. It is trauma. A lot of time, not successful in that battle. So for some staff to work for free, that is an asset. That is an asset DC has that other cities do not.
- ❖ **QEA (PFFC):** Want to say thank you to everyone around the table and in the room. It is about how we work together. I can get information, keep my housing and share with others. I don't get paid. It is the joy of seeing my people get leased up.

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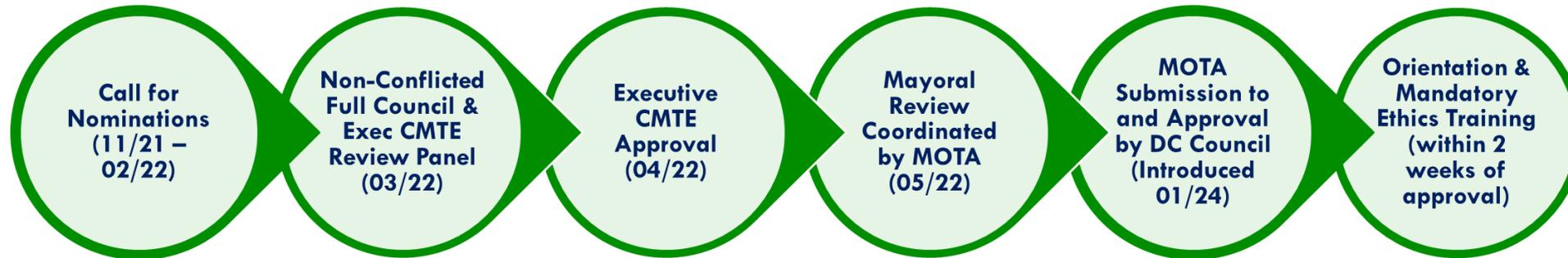
# Annual Responsibilities & Timelines



# Status of 2022 & 2023 Nominations

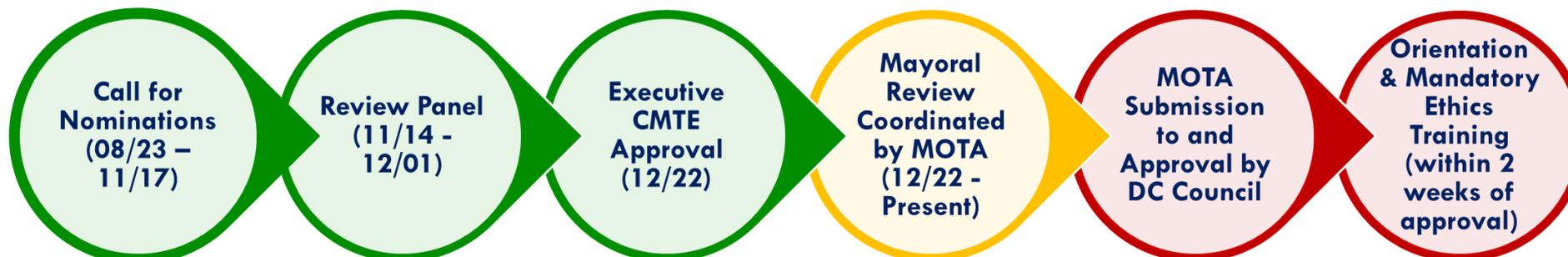
## 2022 Nominations Timeline

- ❖ Status: All Steps Completed. Terms Expire May 2025



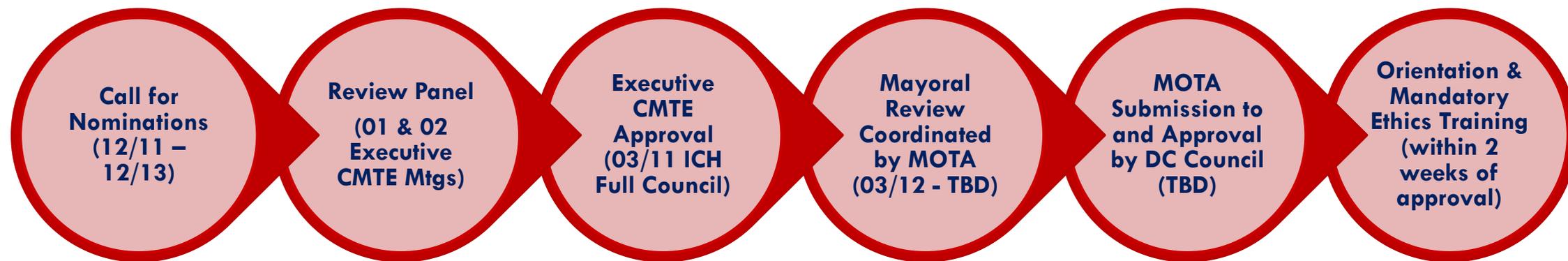
## 2023 Nominations Timeline

- ❖ Current Status: Under Mayoral Review Coordinated by MOTA
- ❖ Projected Terms: Expire May 2026
- ❖ Key: **Green for Steps Completed, Yellow for Steps in Process, Red for Steps Not Yet Initiated**



# 2024 Full Council Nominations: Proposed Timeline

- ❖ **Goal:** Initiate Call for Nominations in Dec 2024
- ❖ **Process:**
  - Review panel of non-conflicted members regardless of confirmation status
  - Leveraging standard Executive CMTE times in January & February.
- ❖ **Projected Term:** Expire May 2027



# Expiring or Vacant Community Seats



## Key Notes About the Selection Process

### Review Panel & Sufficient Representation

- ❖ Annually ~half the board terms expire
- ❖ Allows the other half to serve as non-conflicted stakeholders on Review Panel
- ❖ Proposal to proceed as though 2023 Nominations are approved

### Other Stakeholders on Review Panel:

- ❖ DC Gov reps on Exec CMTE voting slate (ICH, DHS, DOES, DCHA, and DBH) &
- ❖ Non-voting ICH Full Council Members (TCP and DC Council)

Category	Name	Organization	Term End
<b>Advocate Seats</b> 2 expiring out of 4 max	Rachelle Ellison	People for Fairness Coalition	2026
	Deborah Jones	Housing Up	2026
	<b>Karen Cunningham</b>	<b>Everyone Home DC</b>	<b>2025</b>
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<b>Business Seats</b> 2 expiring out of 4 max	Tonia Wellons	Greater Washington Community Foundation	2026
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<b>Lived Experience</b> 2 expiring out of 4 max	Daniel Rico	Sasha Bruce Youthworks	2026
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	<b>Reginald Black</b>	<b>People for Fairness Coalition, Serve Your City</b>	<b>2025</b>
<b>Provider Seats</b> 3 expiring out of 8 max	Christy Respress	Pathways to Housing	2026
	Adam Rocard	Miriam's Kitchen	2026
	Lynn Amano	Friendship Place	2026
	Roxanne Murray	Echelon Community Services	2026
	Nikila Smith	Street Sense Vendor	2026
	<b>Amanda Chesney</b>	<b>Catholic Charities</b>	<b>2025</b>
	<b>Kelly Sweeney McShane</b>	<b>Community of Hope</b>	<b>2025</b>
	<b>Angela Jones Hackley</b>	<b>Covenant House Washington</b>	<b>2025</b>

DELIBERATIVE PURPOSES ON



# Leadership Slates Overview

ICH is recommending:

- ❖ Three (3) standard seats for DC Council and CoC infrastructure representation (ICH, TCP);
- ❖ Full Council Community Reps (20 people) serve in 1 – 2 forums; and
- ❖ Three (3) co-chairs per forum, including:
  - District Agency,
  - Person with lived experience, and
  - Community representative.

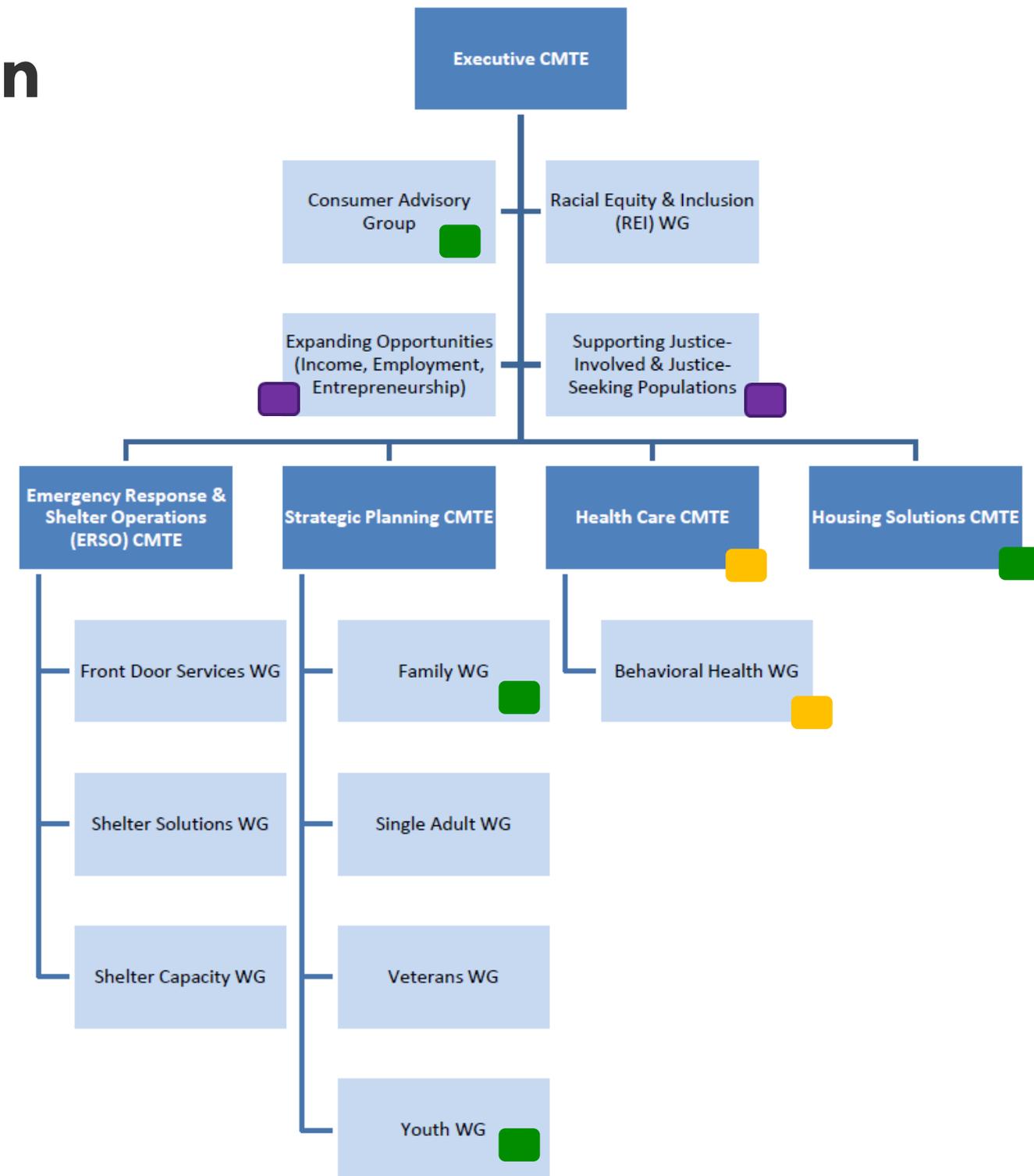
This leaves between 72 - 88 slots available for community member nominations.

**Proposed Timeline: Concurrent to 2024 Full Council nominations.**

Category	#	Details & Considerations
<b>Coc Infrastructure</b>	2	ICH: CoC Board and Strategic Planning body TCP: HUD Collaborative Applicant, HMIS and Coordinated Entry Lead
<b>District Agencies</b>	2	Including agencies not represented on the ICH Full Council
<b>Advocacy</b>	1-2	Advocacy organizations with experience or focus most relevant to the scope of the forum
<b>Business/Private</b>	1-2	Including Philanthropy, Business Improvement Districts, etc.
<b>Lived Experience</b>	2-3	With current or previous experience most relevant to the scope of the forum
<b>Service Provider</b>	3-4	Specific to the scope of individual forums, including homeless and health care providers
<b>DC Council</b>	1	Including Council staff, consistent with representation on the Full Council
<b>Total</b>	13	<i>Note: Distribution may vary across forums depending on its scope and critical partners.</i>

# Leadership for FY25 Work Plan

- **Standardizing Operations**
  - Opened Family System Workgroup,
  - Renaming Youth Committee to Workgroup,
  - Consolidating Consumer Advisory Groups, and
  - Inviting Landlords to join the Housing Solutions Committee
  
- **Formalizing New/Pilot Forums**
  - Health Care Committee &
  - Behavioral Health Care Workgroup
  
- **Launching New Forums Identified**
  - Expanding Opportunities,
  - Supporting Justice-Involved & Seeking Populations





- ❖ **CR (Pathways):** This seems clear. Will look forward to the new DHS designee as co-chair to Executive CMTE.
- ❖ **KSM (COH):** In terms of Leadership Slates, does anybody need to be a Full Council member? Feels like there needs to be some connection while also opening it up to community.
  - **TS (ICH):** The purpose is to support Full Council, so deference will be to Full Council for leadership on CMTE and WG slates. Also, sitting down to identify the govt agencies per forum, will help us define the clear role for agencies to support clear objectives and roles. In this process, we may determine that legislation needs an update to ensure we have the appropriate agencies.



- ❖ **RB (SYC):** Thought the original idea was for the agencies people come across while experiencing homelessness should be represented here. It sounds like there is a different approach proposed, but I don't want to lose that intention so we can support system navigation – foster care, institutionalized, healthcare.
  - **TS (ICH):** We have an opportunity to make sure we are recognizing what people are encountering with a specific agency and where that work needs to land. We have an opportunity to define that.
- ❖ **LZ (DHS):** To say it differently, the opportunity through Strategic Planning and Executive CMTEs is to set the work to ensure people are getting needs met. We lose engagement with agencies who feel adjacent and not fully accountable if there is not a clear set of actions for them. The more this group can define the goal and the action that is how you get the collective impact from the people in government agency partners and others who have thoughts in what they get from other agencies.



- ❖ **NS (Street Sense Vendor):** I see Health and Human Services on here. I believe it would be helpful to have a workgroup focused on addiction. Don't think should be mixed with other conditions or topics. Should be focusing on the main things. We never even speak about it. I don't like the numbers and the statistics. Need to know what is going on. I don't know the stories, it was helpful to hear that.
  - **TS (ICH):** We have to work step by step, so we are starting with the proposal of the Behavioral Health WG.
  - **NS (Street Sense Vendor):** My addiction affected my behavioral health. It starts like that. It started with drugs first. For some reason, I was able to stop. I don't believe everyone is mentally ill. If we help with addiction, could help with mental part.
  - **Tobie Smith (Street Health):** Agree with you. Need to be clear about what we are including in objectives – that's why we use the term behavioral instead of mental health.
  - **TS (ICH):** Yes, and if appropriate, we can work together to revisit the names of CMTEs and WGs so they resonate.



- ❖ **AC (Cath. Char.):** When and where are leadership slates being decided?
  - **TS (ICH):** The proposal is to initiate the nomination process then spend January and February Executive CMTEs to work through how we are finalizing for the CMTEs and WGs as well as ranking Full Council nominations. So, timeline is by the end of Feb.

# Action (Consensus or Vote) to Adopt

## Call for Action to Launch:

- ❖ 2024 Full Council Nominations
- ❖ Leadership Slate Nominations



SEEKING CONSENSUS



CALLING FOR A VOTE  
(IF NECESSARY)

# Live Notes on Governance



- ❖ **Outcome:** No objections. Consensus to proceed with Full Council and Leadership Slate Nominations.

# Roll Call & Vote



## DC Gov

- ❖ Count 16
- ❖ Quorum = 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of 16 = 5.33 (6)

Count	Government Representatives	Present	FC	LS
1	City Administrator, Chair	X		
2	Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services	X		
3	Interagency Council on Homelessness	X		
4	Department of Human Services	X		
5	Department of Behavioral Health	X		
6	Child and Family Services Agency			
7	Department of Housing and Community Development	X		
8	Department of Health			
9	DC Housing Authority	X		
10	Department of Corrections			
11	Department of Employment Services			
12	Office of the State Superintendent of Education	X		
13	Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency	X		
14	Department of General Services	X		
15	DC Metropolitan Police	X		
16	Office of LGBTQ Affairs			
Subtotal of Gov Reps		10		
<b>Quorum (Defined as 1/3 of 16 = 5.33)</b>		10		



# Roll Call & Vote

## Service Provider

- ❖ Count 8
- ❖ Quorum =  $1/3^{\text{rd}}$  of 8 = 2.66 (3)

	Category	Name	Present	FC	LS
1	Provider	Amanda Chesney	X		
2	Provider	Angela Jones-Hackley	X		
3	Provider	Kelly Sweeney McShane	X		
4	Provider	Adam Rocap	X		
5	Provider	Christy Respress	X		
6	Provider	Lynn Amano	X		
7	Provider	Nikila Smith	X		
8	Provider	Roxanne Murray	X		
Subtotal of Providers			8		
<b>Quorum (Defined as 1/3 of 8 = 2.66)</b>			<b>8</b>		

# Roll Call & Vote

## All Other Voting Categories (Advocates, Business Sector & Lived Experience Representatives)

- ❖ Count 12
- ❖ Quorum = 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of 12 = 4

	Category	Name	Present	FC	LS
1	Advocate	Karen Cunningham			
2	Advocate	Kate Coventry	X		
3	Advocate	Deborah Jones			
4	Advocate	Rachelle Ellison	X		
5	Business	Catherine Crosland			
6	Business	Shellon Fraser			
7	Business	Tobie Smith	X		
8	Business	Tonia Wellons			
9	Lived Experience	Qadir El-Amin	X		
10	Lived Experience	Reginald Black	X		
11	Lived Experience	Daniel Rico			
12	Lived Experience	Rico Harris	X		
Subtotal of Advocates, Business Sector & Lived Experience Constituents					
<b>Quorum (Defined as 1/3 of 12 = 4)</b>					

# Meeting Agenda



- I. Opening & Welcome (10 mins)
- II. Public Comments (20 mins)
- III. System Check-In (20 mins)
- IV. Governance (30 mins)
- v. **Announcements & Reminders (5 mins)**
  - a) Annual Point in Time Count – Save the Date
  - b) Celebrating 10 Years of Leadership
  - c) PFFC: Advocacy Day, 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial and Vigil
  - d) Call for Meeting Space – March (03/11) ICH Full Council Meeting
- VI. Summary & Adjournment (5 mins)

## TCP: DC Point in Time - Save the Date 01/29



The Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness (TCP) conducts the annual Point-in-Time (PIT) Count on behalf of the District of Columbia; **the 2025 count is right around the corner, scheduled for the night of Wednesday, January 29th**. The annual count is one of the primary information sources for determining the needs of persons experiencing homelessness in the District and it helps us to better target resources as we work toward the goal of ending homelessness in our community.

With the assistance of homeless outreach professionals and community volunteers, on the evening of the PIT Count we will be canvassing the District's streets to count the number of unsheltered homeless persons living in the city and complete a short survey with them about their background and needs. At the same time TCP works with all the shelter and transitional housing programs operating in the District to collect information on the number and demographic characteristics of the families and individuals staying in these programs on the night of PIT.

**We are currently working with homeless services agencies to build street count survey teams and will open volunteer registration in early January. If you would like to volunteer, keep an eye on your inbox for the registration announcement in the coming weeks.** To learn more, visit our website: [www.DCPIT.org](http://www.DCPIT.org) and If you have questions about the count, please contact: [pit@community-partnership.org](mailto:pit@community-partnership.org).

# Recognizing DHS Director Zeilinger



On behalf of the ICH, its staff and broader constituency, **thank you.**

Your years of service and intentional leadership have made lasting impacts in the mission to ensure homelessness in the District become **rare, brief, and non-recurring.**

*If you did not get a chance to sign the book, please find ICH staff after the meeting to do so!*

# PFFC: Advocacy Day, 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial and Vigil



## Advocacy Day

**Purpose:** Advocate to support people experiencing homelessness in the 2026 budget.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, December 19th, 2024 from 1 - 3pm

**Location:** Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial and Vigil

### Opening Service and Procession

**Date/Time:** December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 4pm

**Location:** Luther Pl Memorial Church, 1226 Vermont Ave NW

### Remembering our Brothers and Sisters who died without the dignity of a home

**Date/Time:** December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 at 11:30 am

**Location:** Church of the Epiphany, 1317 G St NW



## People For Fairness Coalition 2025 BUDGET Advocacy Day December 19th 2024



Tired of Housing Instability/ Homelessness?

Learn How the Dc Government works

learn how to make your voice heard

Join US to make OUR 2025  
Budget DEMANDS to the MAYOR  
and the CITY COUNCIL

December 19th 2024

1pm to 3pm

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue Nw  
Washington D.C. 20005



People For Fairness Coalition  
invites you to the  
12th Annual Memorial and Vigil  
In honor of those that died  
without the dignity of a  
home



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December 21st

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Questions  
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Please Donate at  
[pffcdc.org](http://pffcdc.org)

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  - a) **Next Meeting: Tuesday, 03/11 from 3 – 4:30 pm (Pre-Meeting 1 – 2:30 pm)**



**We need support in finding a meeting space for the March meeting!**

Do you have or know of a space that can accommodate us?

Email [ich.info@dc.gov](mailto:ich.info@dc.gov) or connect directly with ICH staff!

