HOMELESS TASK FORCE
AUGUSTA

April 23, 2026

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Luke Niday, who welcomed members and guests and reiterated the mission of the Homeless Task Force to collaboratively address homelessness in Augusta-Richmond County.

Approval of Previous Minutes

March Minutes approved

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting began with introductions from community partners.

Task Force Engagement and Communication

Governance Committee: Structure development underway.

Street Outreach: Continued engagement and improved collaboration.

Supportive Services: Resource fair success and ongoing recruitment.

Housing Committee: Seeking new chair.

Community Engagement: Information sharing led by Tamika Bean.

CoC Funding and HUD NOFO Update

Members reviewed upcoming Continuum of Care funding changes. The competitive portion of funding has increased, making project priorities and strong applications more important. HUD priorities include transitional housing, recovery services, mental health services, workforce development, and HMIS participation.

Coordinated Entry System

Need for clearer process and better guidance for clients.

System redesign planned to improve accessibility.

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Announcements and Closing

Members shared grant opportunities, legal services, mental health resources, youth events, veteran assistance needs, and remembered a recently deceased community member. The next meeting was announced for May ,28 2026

Action Items

Maintain attendance and committee rosters.

Improve outreach coordination.

Expand Supportive Services participation.

Stabilize Housing Committee leadership.

Submit PIT/HIC data.

Enhance community communication.

Collect transportation data and update surveys.

Re-engage community partners.