

Wake County Continuum of Care Department

Affordable Housing Committee
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CoC Department Buildout Update

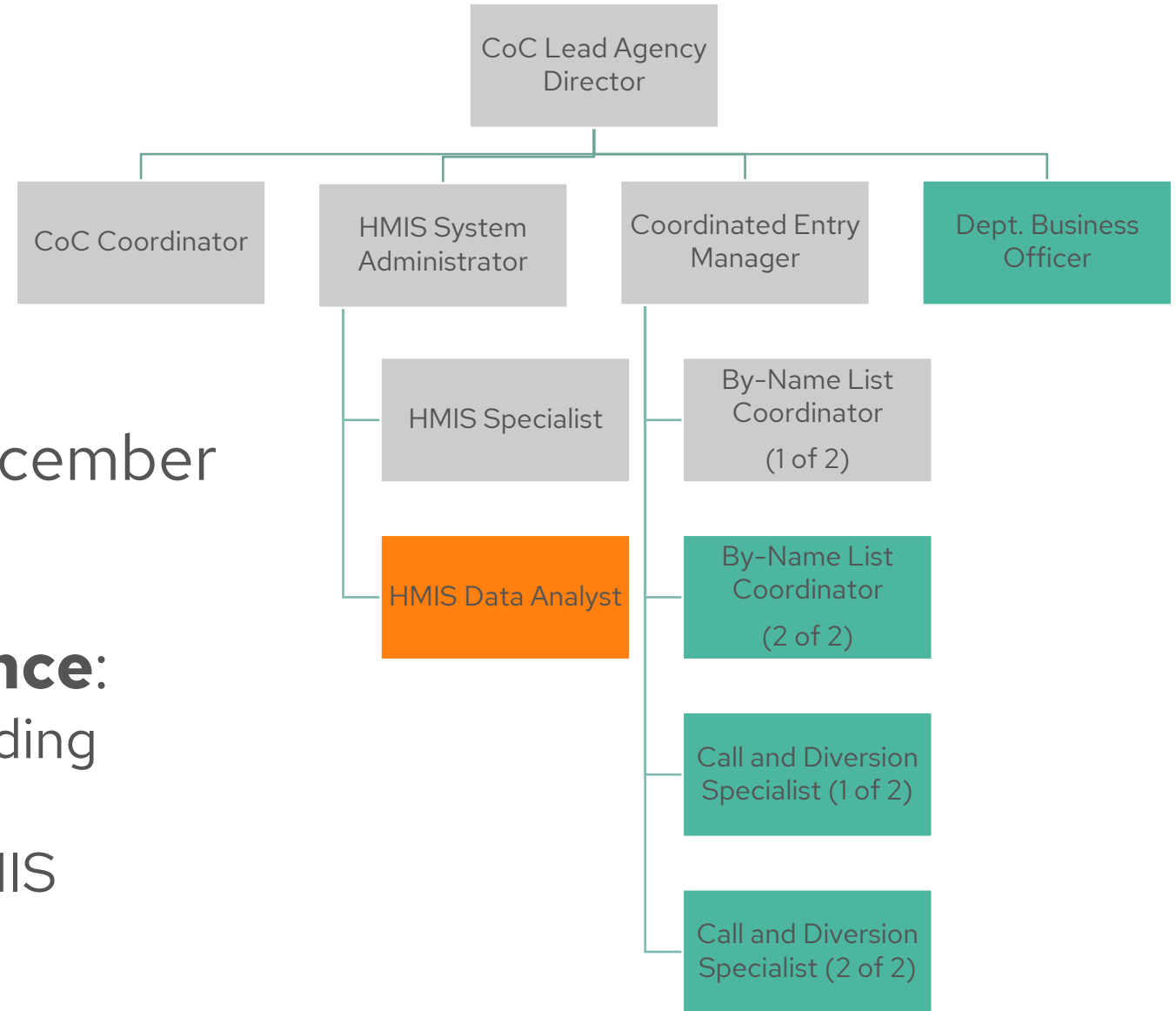
CoC Lead Agency Department

- **Context:** In November 2024, Wake County entered into an MOU with the Wake County Continuum of Care Governance Board (Wake CoC) to transition Lead Agency roles and responsibilities:
 - Collaborative Applicant
 - Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
 - Coordinated Entry System (CES)
- **Today's Focus**
 - Status on Departmental Buildout: Staffing
 - CoC Highlights: Funding, Committees, Strategic Planning
 - White Flag Response Plan

CoC Staffing

- Onboard
- Repost
- Recruiting October - December

- CoC Technical Assistance:**
 - Fortis – Governance, Funding
 - Standard HUD Assigned
 - Special Projects – CE, HMIS



Funding

As Collaborative Applicant, the CoC Lead Agency is responsible for facilitating local funding competitions for designated state and federal opportunities.

Source	Status	Total CoC Award	Impact/Households Served
NC DHHS Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)*	Awaiting Award Notice	\$433,683	9 Projects serving ~700 households.
CoC Builds NOFO	In Progress (Due 09/12)	-	Construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation (capital costs) of new permanent supportive housing (PSH).
CoC Program NOFO	Not Yet Released	\$6.1 million	9 permanent housing projects serving ~245 Households; 3 CoC Lead grants.
Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project (YHDP)	Not Yet Released	Community Plan + Project	Focus on reducing the number of youth experiencing homelessness.

CoC Committees

- **Committee Structure Changes & Expansion**
 - Lived Experience Committee and Youth Advisory Board
 - Street Outreach Committee
 - Fair Housing Advisory Committee
- **Key Initiatives Underway**
 - White Flag Response Plan
 - 2026 Point-in-Time (PIT) Planning
 - Unsheltered Homelessness Response Coordination
 - HMIS and Coordinated Entry Policies & Procedures

Strategic Planning

With added staff capacity, CoC Team focus on system gaps and data analysis to inform functional zero aim and strategy areas for 2026.

- **Initial Strategy Areas**

- Improve Access to **Prevention and Front Door** Services, including virtual hub and unsheltered response
- Promote **System Flow** and Housing Focused Engagement
- Increase and Expedite Access to **Permanent Housing**
- **Care Coordination**, including partnerships with healthcare and justice systems
- System **Data and Performance** Quality Improvement

Review Previous Efforts and Reports Define Goals and Desired Outcomes of Strategic Planning Process	October
Community Engagement Plan Gaps Analysis and Initial Data Review	November
Draft Plan	December