



**Housing Committee Meeting
 Care Resource Community Health Centers, Midtown Miami
 3510 Biscayne Boulevard, First Floor Community Room
 Miami, FL 33137**

November 20, 2025 Minutes

#	Members	Present	Absent	Guests	
1	Burks, Laurie Ann		X	Davis, Debra	
2	Hill, Lileaus	X		Keeley, Gregory	
3	Michel, Marie Kerma	X			
4	Robinson, Patera	X			
5	Tazoe, Roberto		X		
6	Sarria, Manuel		X		
Quorum: 3				Staff	
				Meizoso, Marlen	

All documents referenced in these minutes were accessible to members and the public prior to (and during) the meeting, at <https://partnershipmiami.org/the-partnership-2/#housing1>.

I. Call to Order

Lileaus Hill

The Chair, Lileaus Hill, called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

II. Introductions

All

Ms. Hill introduced herself and requested members and guests introduce themselves.

III. Meeting Housekeeping

Marlen Meizoso

Marlen Meizoso reminded attendees of housekeeping items, including meeting recording, public records, directing questions through the Chair, and availability of staff for additional questions after the meeting.

IV. Floor Open to the Public

Lileaus Hill

Ms. Hill opened the floor to the public with the following statement:

“Pursuant to Florida Sunshine Law, I want to provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to be heard on any items on our agenda today. If there is anyone who wishes to be heard, I invite you to speak now. Each person will be given three minutes to speak. Please begin by stating your name and address for the record before you talk about your concerns. BSR has a dedicated telephone line and email address for statements to be read into the record. No statements were received.”

There were no comments, so the floor was closed for public comments.

V. Review/Approve Agenda

All

The Committee reviewed the agenda, posted in advance of the meeting. Staff indicated that Tyler Sykes, from Oxford House, had a conflict and Gregory Keely would present instead. The Committee approved the agenda with the modification discussed.

Motion to approve the agenda as discussed.

Moved: Patera Robinson

Seconded: Marie Kerna Michel

Motion: Passed

VI. Review/Approve Minutes

All

The Committee reviewed the minutes of September 18, 2025, and approved them as presented.

Motion to accept the minutes of September 18, 2025, as presented.

Moved: Patera Robinson

Seconded: Marie Kerna Michel

Motion: Passed

VII. Special Presentation: Oxford House

All

Gregory Keeley presented on the self-run recovery home Oxford House. The program has six homes in Miami-Dade County. He reviewed the Oxford Impact report and provided background on the founding of the program in 1975 and opening its first house in Florida in 2019. Unlike traditional recovery homes the homes are member-driven and run democratically. Members vote on new members, share bills, and pay weekly. Members are required to attend three to five substance abuse recovery meetings while they stay in the home, and contribute to the upkeep of the space. Members apply directly to each home which charges a \$150-\$200 non-refundable application fee, then an interview is conducted. All the current members living in the home vote and if eighty percent agree you are welcomed in. Rooms are shared and payments are due Sundays. The homes generally have 6-12 members and are large size and are single sex. Homes are near public transportation, job opportunities, and twelve step programs. The average stay in a home is eighteen months. Members will need to begin employment within two weeks of starting to support themselves. Members are also required to have a sponsor, and no overnight guests are allowed. Members can be voted out for returning to substance use, not paying, threatening violence, or not doing their fair share of housework. The program is contracted through the Florida Department of Children and Families.

VIII. Reports

▪ HOPWA Program Updates

Roberto Tazoe

Roberto Tazoe was not present to provide a report, but Marlen Meizoso indicated that based on the report given at the Partnership meeting the program will have a shortfall. Conversations with HUD have not taken place on possible solutions because of the government shutdown.

▪ Vacancies

Marlen Meizoso

Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the vacancy report which indicated several vacancies on the Housing Committee, the Partnership, and the other committees. Anyone who knows of any interested members should have them contact staff or invite them to a meeting.

Mrs. Meizoso indicated that there was an applicant for the Committee, Debra Davis. Ms. Davis introduced herself and expressed her interest in the Committee. Members voted to accept her as a member.

Motion to accept Debra Davis as a member of the Housing Committee.

Moved: Patera Robinson

Seconded: Marie Kerna Michel

Motion: Passed

IX. Standing Business

There was no Standing Business.

X. New Business

▪ September 18,2025 Meeting Feedback

All

The Committee reviewed the draft stakeholder's feedback, provided at the last meeting. Each stakeholder information includes a small summary and contact information. If no additional changes were requested and the information will be posted online.

▪ 2026 Elections

All

The Committee reviewed the 2026 election memo. Ms. Hill is eligible for another term as Chair. If any additional members are also interested in running, they may indicate it now or at the following meeting.

▪ 2026 Meeting Dates

All

Staff presented proposed meeting dates and location for 2026. If the Committee agrees, staff will attempt to secure Care Resource for 2026. A motion was made to accept the meeting date and location as presented.

Motion to accept the proposed 2026 Housing meeting dates and location, as presented.

Moved: Patera Robinson

Seconded: Debra Davis

Motion: Passed

▪ December meeting

Marlen Meizoso

Staff indicated that the December meeting is the week before the holidays begin and asked the Committee if they wanted to cancel that meeting. Mr. Tazoe had indicated he would not be attending. The Committee voted to cancel the meeting.

Motion to cancel the December 18, 2025, Housing meeting.

Moved: Patera Robinson

Seconded: Debra Davis

Motion: Passed

XI. Open Discussion

▪ Questions from the Community

All

There were no questions from the community.

XII. Announcements

All

Ms. Hill indicated that the State Florida Department of Health is conducting a Needs Assessment to assess services to people living with HIV. The goal is to have 15% of the current prevalence reply in Miami-Dade which is roughly 4,000 responses. The survey is open until November 30th. If you work at a service provider, please encourage clients to reply. All replies are anonymous. The survey is accessible via the QR code projected and online at [www. Partnershipmiami.org](http://www.Partnershipmiami.org).

XIII. Next Meeting

Lileaus Hill

The next meeting was scheduled for January 15, 2026, at Care Resource.

XIV. Adjournment

Lileaus Hill

Ms. Hill thanked all the attendees for participating in today's meeting and wished everyone happy holidays.

Ms. Hill adjourned the meeting at 3:06 p.m.

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