## **Scoring Tool Questions**

- Lived Experience
- Experience in Homeless Services/ Mental Health/Substance Abuse Services
- State Geographic Representation
- Skills and Knowledge Expertise

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To: Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Subcommittee for Technical Assistance (ICHHTA).

From: Dr. Dayona Turner,

Ed.D. Re: Interest in joining

ICHHTA

I am writing to formally express my desire to join the Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Subcommittee for Technical Assistance (ICHHTA). I am relocating to Las Vegas, NV from Columbus, OH in February to join the Nevada State Department of Education EDLiFE Division.

Having been actively involved in homelessness for numerous years in Ohio I desire to continue working in this field. My experience in serving homelessness ranges from volunteerism to chairing the Board of Directors. As the former Co-Chair for <u>The Columbus Coalition for the Homeless</u>. I was responsible for not only internal organizational management/leadership, but I also chaired the education committee. My actions and duties as co-chair of the Board included fostering the mission of the agency to collaborate with agencies by addressing and providing solutions to the housing crisis while also bolstering the importance of wrap-around services through various avenues such as events, membership meetings, warming centers, homeless camps, etc. While serving as the Education Committee Chair, I led the team on developing trainings on homelessness with corporations, engaging students through school visits, hosting webinar series, and standard promotions of topics/facts regarding homelessness.

I am passionate about prevention, education, data, and policy development to better assist those experiencing homelessness. In addition to my passions, I bring the following skills: administration, educational leadership, organizational leadership, communications (written and verbal), board training, and partnership development. Both my experience and passion, I believe I would be an asset to the committee. I want to Thank the committee for considering my interest in joining the committee. I remain available to answer any questions you may have.

Thank you,

Dr. Dayona Turner, Ed.D.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for a position with Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Subcommittee for Technical Assistance (ICHHTA). After reviewing the job the description, it's clear that you are looking for a candidate that is extremely familiar with the responsibilities associated with the role and can perform them confidently. Given these requirements, I am confident that I have the necessary skills to successfully do the job.

I have over 20 years of experience with interacting with every social economic group including the gainfully employed individuals to homeless, unemployed and mentally challenged. I have serviced our communities disabled/handicap while employed with the State of Nevada DWSS Welfare as an Administrative Assistant I and I have assisted our communities' children while insuring their child support benefits are received with Clark County Child Support as an Office Specialist.

After reviewing my resume, I hope you will agree that I am the candidate you are looking for. I look forward to elaborating on how my specific skills and abilities will benefit the company.

Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

La Joie Whitsett-Gage