1. **Introductions**
2. **Guest Speaker** – Joe Sarzyniak – U.S. Census Bureau
* Spoke about the upcoming 2020 Census and how it would be implemented, beginning April 1, 2020 and ending August 2020. This is the first year the survey will be available online, and it is also available over the phone or by paper. Online version – there are 59 languages available. Beginning in early 2020, the Census Bureau will be working on increasing citizen’s motivation to respond and doing outreach into the community to promote responses to the census.
	+ Homeless population may be undercounted – as a community we can figure out how to make sure there is an accurate census count in our region.
	+ As an agency or community, we can host census enumerators by inviting them to host events, share promotional materials, join committees, etc.
	+ Census 2020 is hiring. Go to USAJobs.gov for opportunities (18 years and older).
	+ For more information and promotional materials, visit: <https://www.census.gov/>
1. **CoC Updates**
	1. The CoC application is due on September 30th
	2. $250,000 restored to SSVF (Supportive Services to Veteran Families) in the region – Veteran’s One Stop of WNY
	3. NYS STEHP grant – 14 applicants in WNY region. Grant awards have not yet been released. (Start for grants is Oct. 1st) YHDP awards have also not been released yet.
	4. National Alliance to End Homelessness (<https://endhomelessness.org/>) conference in July – 14 people from our region attended. Some common themes: Racial inequity, Collaboration, Prevention and Diversion and problem solving with clients, The aging population and homelessness.
2. **Announcements**
* Youth Speakout – Sept. 26th at 3pm to 7pm at the Downtown Central Library - contact HAWNY for more information
* Latino Veterans 5 K – contact Nadia Pizarro (BestSelf Behavioral Health) (<https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/Buffalo/LatinoVets8k>)
* Project Homeless Connect – Oct. 10th at Buffalo Niagara Convention Center – one stop shop for individuals and providers
* Friends of Night People – 50th anniversary and benefit “Party for the People” at Flying Bison Brewing Co. – Sept. 24th (<https://friendsofnightpeople.com/news-events/>)