

**FIVE COUNTY  
LOCAL HOMELESS COORDINATING COMMITTEE**

**Minutes**

**Wednesday, March 18, 2009 11:30 pm**

<u>MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:</u>	<u>REPRESENTING:</u>
Angie Van Scoyk ( on Phone)	Cedar City Housing Authority
Anne Yero	Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center
Bob Green	Washington County School District
Frank Yoder	Resource & Re-entry
Jordi Roesti-Drew	Red Rock Center for Independence
Judy Robbins	Dixie Care & Share
Kim Yeoman	Disability Law Center
Lane Ronnow	St. George Housing Authority
Lloyd Pendleton	State Office of Community and Culture
Bill Woods	Iron County Care & Share
Sherri Dial	FCAOG
Sue Kimball	Erin Kimball Memorial Foundation

Excused: Mayor Mary Reep, Chelsea Kunz Gambles  
 Guest: James Foncesbeck (RR&C), Duane Jacobs (RR&C)

**Southwest Behavioral Health Center**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**474 West 200 North**  
**St. George, UT**

**Welcome & Introductions**

Bill Woods

Approval of the Agenda  
 Approval of the Minutes

Moved to approve with no changes by Lane /Second by Frank

**Continuum of Care updates**

Bill Woods

Homeless Count Information & Coordination  
 Point-in-Time count

- Bill reported that the numbers from the PIT have been turned in to Ilene. The state report is being computed.
- Lloyd supplied some PIT information about the homeless annual report. The process for computing annualized numbers is being redone to create a new and more adequate formula for tracking the homeless population. These reports are used to determine federal funding.
- HIMS-Homeless Information Management system
  - The input data needs to be accurate
- Domestic Violence Programs do not enter their clients onto the HMIS system. They do report aggregate data for reporting numbers.

## Ending Chronic Homelessness by 2014 report update

Review draft information:

- a) Lloyd provided an overview of the reports main concepts
  - o Nationwide movement to create 10 year plan to end homeless.
  - o Each state creates own plan.
  - o Several areas contribute to the state plan.
  - o Our area has not completed its sections of the plan.
- b) Sherri stated the Summary and Schedule are needed to be completed.
  - o She has included past funding and blank sheets for suggestions.
  - o Completed forms will be presented to steering committee for approval.
  - o Lloyd explained how the numbers were obtained for the completed forms.
- c) Chronically homeless funds are not to be used for homeless shelters or DV housing.
- d) Focus on chronically homeless is because they are high users of emergency services and funds.
- e) Costs are significantly less to house a person and teach them independent living skills, than to provide emergency services.
- f) Lane explained how affordable housing can be obtained by using tax credits and vouchers. Gave Red Cliffs Mesa as an example.
- g) Negotiate with complexes with vacancies to provide affordable rent.
- h) Bring several organizations together to work on creating procedures that work for all types of people in need.
- i) Do not know where funds will come from.
- j) A system needs to be in place to demonstrate a workable program before funding can be requested. i.e. Pilot program.
- k) Very important to demonstrate to legislature results in order to receive funds.**
- l) Next Step is completing the 10 year plan.
  - o Also, need to contact landlords and establish specific number of units to be used for the homeless.
  - o New units will be needed; however, bulk can be existing units.
  - o One organization will need to oversee units.
  - o Homeless shelters should have transitional units at the shelters.
  - o Homeless people are the same year to year. There is a 15-20% turnover.
  - o Chronically homeless people are classified differently than homeless prisoners.
  - o Reason why plan needs to include all homeless persons.
  - o Chronically homeless is an unaccompanied adult with a disability who has been homeless four times in the past year or ?
  - o Definition is being re-defined.
  - o A scattered model is better: no zoning issues, no NIMBYism, better for client.
- m) Time to start compiling information for the next legislative session.
- n) Past problem is the plan was not complete and organizations had not come together as a group.
- o) Starting to get support of political leaders.
- p) Sherri wants input on what funding needs to be requested so the summary and schedule can be completed.
  - o Frank will need to compile information to determine how many chronically homeless he has placed.
  - o Amounts cannot be entered until all organizations have compiled their placements. Tangible data is needed.
  - o Also need to know what is available in current housing and costs, and what complexes will work with LHCC.
  - o Angie, Cedar housing, and Lane, St George housing, will compile information in their respective counties.
  - o Send all information to Sherri.

- Jordi asked some questions about how to report the homeless people her organization has assisted.

Send it to Sherri.

Bill will compile his numbers

Judy will do hers.

Frank will send in his.

Information is due by May 06, 2009. [sdial@fcaog.state.ut.us](mailto:sdial@fcaog.state.ut.us)

q) Janine suggested questions regarding chronic homeless be added to applications of the various organizations. Stated social workers are an important part of the process.

Homeless Housing Investment Summary

## Housing Committee Update

### 1) Sub-committee for 75 units building.

- a) Lane approached St. George housing board the run the complex.
- b) Someone would own it and housing would manage it.
- c) No HUD restrictions against felons.
- d) We need to set restrictions to keep the properties nice. Teach responsibility.

### 2) Frank spoke with Ty and this project is on track.

- a) There was concern that St. George housing would take over the building and not follow the program that it was designed for.
- b) Lane assured the committee that it would be run as designed.
- c) **Issues with having 'Group' homes or complexes.**

## Other Updates

- ☺ Bill gave an update on his project in Cedar City.
- ☺ The new Care & Share is on track and shovel ready.
- ☺ Need additional funds.
  - ↳ New Dixie Care & Share building proposal in process
  - ↳ Cost 1.2 to 1.5 million.
  - ↳ House 70 people, including families.
  - ↳ Looking for funding.
    - ✓ Lloyd gave a handout for UHMIS.

## Next meetings:

**July 15, 2009**

**11:30-1:00 pm**

## **Assignments**

Frank will need to compile information to determine how many chronically homeless he has placed in ongoing housing.

Angie, Cedar housing, will compile information about existing stock of housing for chronically homeless in Iron County and which landlords are willing to negotiate.

Lane, St George housing, will compile information about existing stock of housing for chronically homeless in Washington County and which landlords are willing to negotiate.

☛ Send all information to Sherri.

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