

Greater Nashua Continuum of Care Ending Homelessness Committee

**Minutes of the December 1, 2010 Meeting**

Present at the meeting were: Eileen Brady, Candace Gebhart, Nathan Goodwin, Wendy LeBlanc, Kathryn Paquette, Magaly Rios, Bob Mack, Jerry Leclerc, Ray Villeneuve, James B, Mr. Butterfield

**9:10 am Call to Order** by Chair Eileen Brady

Minutes from November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting were reviewed J. LeClerc made a motion to accept the minutes; W. LeBlanc seconded it.

Reviewed Ending Homelessness Plan

J. Leclerc has seen a big difference in St. Josephs Hospital's number of visits to the ER, which have decreased due to the fact that we now have the Harborcare clinic for the homeless. C. Gebhart suggested a press release. B. Mack stated that this is just anecdotal information, there has been no data collected on the decreased numbers. IT was also noted that there is a big health care gap with dental care. W. LeBlanc stated that the Harborcare clinic is on the list of accomplishments to the 10-year plan already.

E. Brady was in the Nashua public library representing the COC, talked about homeless outreach. They would like feed back from consumers on any concerns or accomplishment there. One day the library may go away. J.B talked about how great the Nashua Public library is how they have so many different things to do there like, computer classes, videos and the books are great! E. Brady added the Nashua Public Library is the busiest public library and it's not going away any time soon.

W. LeBlanc explained to the new comers what is the Continuum Of Care

J.B discussed to the group the concerns about the homeless shelters. E. Brady reminded him that if there are any concerns about the homeless shelters he is more then welcome to bring it up to the supervisor.

Project Homeless connect was on November 30<sup>th</sup>. It was a successful event once again. B. Mack had two very good greeters. He will have the outcome at our next meeting. N. Goodwin thought there were less people this year.

W. LeBlanc spoke with the Executive Committee regarding the role and tasks of the Ending Homelessness committee. She stated that reviewing the 10 year plan is our main task. We can discuss one step each month. HMIS is doing great! COC is working on documents and tool kit. You can look at them at the COC web site: [www.nashua-coc.org](http://www.nashua-coc.org)

Project Employment Connect will start soon; sometime in January 2011. We will have our planning meeting soon. We realized last year the Employers needed about a 5 month advance to participate on the event.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45AM