Greater Nashua Continuum of Care Meeting Minutes December 2, 2009 www.nashua-coc.org

Call to order: 8:00 a.m. by Chair Wendy LeBlanc.

All present introduced themselves and visitors welcomed.

<u>Minutes of November 4, 2009 (handout):</u> B. Alves motioned to accept the minutes. T. Epaphras seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- Executive: W. LeBlanc indicated that this committee has been working on the SuperNOFA.
- Ending Homelessness: E. Brady explained that preparations are being made for Project Homeless Connect. The event will be held at Harbor Homes on 12/9 between 12:00 pm and 4:00 pm. She also explained an upcoming landlord workshop which will be held sometime in February. J. Roy and D. Roy described a new project that they have been working on called Project Fresh Start. They have been collecting new and gently used home goods and providing them to local agencies such as Connections, Ann Maries' and Corpus Christie. W. LeBlanc thanked the Roy's for the work they do.
- <u>Community Relations:</u> P. Murphy mentioned that the next meeting will be held on 1/13/2010 at the Merrimack Town Hall.
- Legislative Affairs: E. Brady discussed the New England Housing Conference.
- <u>Data Gathering:</u> W. LeBlanc described what this committee does and how the Survey Monkey was used for the Point in Time (PIT) count last year, with less than perfect results. She also asked for volunteers to head up or work on this committee along with a volunteer to attend a meeting being held on Monday, 12/7 with the other two Continua to discuss the methodology to be used for the 2010 PIT count. K. Paquette volunteered to attend the meeting.

Statewide Committee's:

- MCOC: Manchester has also been preparing for their Project Homeless Connect. T. Epaphras mentioned that they have been working on the SuperNOFA. L. Newall joined the meeting and provided handouts of the HUD Outcome Measurements, which would have been covered in the data gathering section of the agenda. There was a discussion regarding the percentages.
- **BOSCOC:** L. Newall explained the SuperNOFA was also discussed in this committee. Concord will be holding their Project Homeless Connect on 1/6/2010.
- ICH: No Meeting. The next meeting will be in January.
- NH Coalition to End Homelessness: The next meeting will be held at the Salvation Army on 12/4.

• <u>SuperNOFA:</u> W. LeBlanc thanked everyone who participated in the preparation of the NOFA. She also announced that the application was successfully submitted.

Announcements:

F. Ijaz discussed the Endowment Health Grant and explained 6 areas of the undefined integration. She described some of the conflicts the refugees are encountering such as housing and jobs. M. Durso asked how many new refugees have there been since 10/9 and F. Ijaz replied none yet.

W. LeBlanc asked F. IJaz how people can contact her. She provided her e-mail <u>ljazf@nashuanh.gov</u>.

M. Castanho announced she will be leaving her position and Susan Drew will be taking her place.

P. Kelleher mentioned a meeting being held on 1/14/2010, 9:00 am at the VA in Manchester. The meeting is for a statewide plan to end veteran homelessness.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:00 am.

Minutes prepared by Kim Berube, Harbor Homes, Inc.