# Greater Nashua Continuum of Care Meeting Minutes July 2, 2008 Nashua City Hall Auditorium

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

## All present introduced themselves and visitors welcomed.

<u>Minutes of June 4, 2008 (handout):</u> L. Wilshire motioned to accept the minutes. C. Gebhardt seconded the motion and the motion carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

- Executive Committee: W. Furnari explained that this committee has been updating the charts for the SuperNOFA which is the HUD grant application for housing and supportive services through the Continuum. The charts are relevant to the community at large.
- Ending Homelessness: W. Furnari mentioned some of the topics discussed at the meeting. The reformatting of the Data Gathering Committee, the upcoming Project Homeless Connect and the first scheduled meeting on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am at Harbor Homes.
- <u>Community Relations:</u> P. Murphy mentioned that this committee was looking back at accomplishments and what to look at such as outreach and more participation. She indicated that there are no formal minutes at the present time but instead handed out a list of all action items completed by this committee during the past year. The next meeting will be held on Sept. 9, 2008, 10:00am, at Harbor Homes.
- Legislative Affairs: J. Schulze mentioned that the non driver identification bill has passed the Senate and the House and they are trying to find a cost effective way to get the cards out. She also indicated that the Senate passed the Workforce Housings and Property Assessment bills. The Child Obesity bill has also been passed. The Legislature will be meeting by the end of summer and interested in hearing concerns.
- <u>Data Gathering:</u> L. Jeynes said that this committee will be meeting later in July. She mentioned they are looking for approval to use HMIS report. A. Quinn mentioned that someone had asked her for COC information. W. Furnari suggested giving out the brochure. S. Mead suggested placing the Continuum's brochure on the website.

- <u>HMIS:</u> C. Pitcher handed out copies of the Outcome Measurements for everyone to review. He mentioned he will need updated data by July 14, 2008 to produce the numbers for the SuperNOFA. T. Epaphras asked about the process for obtaining numbers. C. Pitcher explained the process of the annual progress reports.
- SuperNOFA: W. Furnari mentioned that the SuperNOFA process is going strong and there are more participants this year. She mentioned that the SuperNOFA has not been released as of yet but the committee has been updating last years information. The SuperNOFA will be released around July 7, 2008 and the challenge is that the COC is required to provide a public notice for anyone that would like to apply for the funding. W. Furnari explained that an additional meeting may be needed in July or an August meeting may need to be planned. She added that an e-mail will be sent to notify everyone of any upcoming meetings. T. Epaphras mentioned that the bonus project is for a chronically homeless individual not homeless families. L Wilshire asked about the funding for Rapid Re-housing and W. Furnari explained the funding would be \$52,000.00 over 2 years.

## **Continua:**

- MCOC: Working on SuperNOFA
- **BOSCOC:** This committee has not met.
- ICH: No Report.

#### **Announcements:**

Emily Manire explained the Linkability Program which is a Medicaid Infrastructure grant through the State of NH. The program has funneled down to two pilot programs in Nashua and Keene. She explained that the employment program has been working with a variety of agencies. W. Furnari asked for contact information. E. Manire provided 603-881-7806 as a contact number.

- C. Furlong explained Harbor Homes' fundraiser. Janice Tarver, medium will be at 45 High Street, August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- B. Alves announced an upcoming comedy night on September 26, 2008. She mentioned there will be silent and live auctions.
- M. Durso mentioned that the clinic has hired two new physicians. There has been significant growth for the health center. She also mentioned that the agency is looking to relocate.

P. Crooker from the Div. of Public Health announced the there will be an event held in November addressing the Pandemic Flu and any organization that may be interested in attending can call 589-4507.

W. Furnari reminded everyone of the Annual Task Force Walk being held on September 20, 2008. There will also be a quilt display. She also announced that there would not be an Ending Homelessness Committee after today's general meeting.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:56 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Kim Berube, Harbor Homes, Inc.