Greater Nashua Continuum of Care Meeting Minutes Nashua City Hall Auditorium October 3, 2007

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Call to Order: 8:04 a.m. by Chair Lori Wilshire.

All present introduced themselves and visitors welcomed.

<u>Minutes of September 5, 2007</u>(handout) M. Read noted a correction on page 2, paragraph 2 and J. Leclerc noted a correction on page 2, paragraph 5.

Committee Reports:

Executive Committee: L. Wilshire mentioned that the committee discussed the NH Charitable Foundation grant. Stake holders and key persons do not know what their roles are. The committee should have an update regarding the grant within 8 weeks.

Ending Homelessness Committee: B. Mack mentioned that the wrap around services committee meets the 4th Tuesday of every month. The committee consists of providers and sometimes clients who meet to discuss plans. Sometimes cases are brought to the group to discuss alternatives. B. Mack indicated this is a good opportunity for everyone to be on the same page and take a look at what happens in the community and try to prioritize.

- S. Mead indicated that she is seeing many referrals from areas that don't have their own shelters.
- M. Durso mentioned that she receives requests from the Town of Derry and she then refers them.
- B. Mack indicated that G. Martins spoke to the Rapid Re-housing Committee in regard to tracking clients who left the permanent housing programs. The Universal Application was also addressed.
- K. Paquette mentioned that there should be a group of landlords to work with the agencies. She indicated she met with a landlord that does not charge a security deposit and is willing to adjust the rent based on income.
- B. Mack mentioned that Transportation Services was also addressed and they are looking at developing new routes, combining areas and leveraging resources.
- L. Christie mentioned that towns that refer people to our agencies do offer support.
- B. Mack handed out fliers for the Project Homeless Connect event. He asked that each agency complete the form and forward it to Karen Emis-Williams, Welfare Department,18 Mulberry Street. If additional forms are needed they will be available on line.
- B. Mack also mentioned that the committee is working on the details for the banner and printing.

<u>Gaps Committee:</u> L. Jeynes indicated that the quarterly gaps should be coming out by the end of the month.

C. Pitcher handed out the 2008 Point in Time survey. M. Durso indicated that her agency may not be able to fill out all of the requested data. C. Pitcher indicated that everyone should do the best they can.

L. Christie asked if people that are turned away from services should be included in the count. C. Pitcher indicated that the count should include anyone that is need of services.

M. Durso asked where does the data go and C. Pitcher replied that it is used as a survey tool.

<u>HMIS</u>: C. Pitcher explained that the Annual Homeless Assessment Report 3 (AHAR) ended on Sunday, September 2, 2007 and AHAR 4 began on Monday, October 1, 2007.

L. Newell handed out a report on the GNCOC HUD APR Outcome Measurements for everyone to review. She was asked to what transitional housing was included and she explained it was for Nashua housing only.

C. Pitcher explained that HUD wants to know the specifics of where people go.

L. Newell mentioned she has the APR's if anyone would like to review them.

<u>Community Relations Committee:</u> M. Febonio mentioned that brochures and cards were handed out on Main St. She mentioned that shop keepers had not heard of the GNCOC and they were happy to hear that there was someone they could contact.

M. Febonio asked for donations and stamps to make the brochures. She also handed out a copy of the brochure if any agency is willing to make additional copies.

<u>Continua-MCOC:</u> C. Pitcher mentioned that Manchester had an all day retreat last week to reorganize the COC. They are looking at possible legislature to become corporate.

BOSCOC: C. Pitcher indicated that the housing sub-committee received goals.

ICH: P. Kelleher indicated that this committee will be meeting on Monday, October 8, 2007.

Rapid Re-housing: M. Read mentioned that this committee met on Tuesday, October 2, 2007. They met with a local landlord and will try to meet with additional landlords to try to obtain data and provide listing. They would like to have the data available on a public spot such as a website.

B. Mack suggested using e-mail. W. Furnari indicated it should be somewhere where the landlords could access.

K. Paquette mentioned that she receives a weekly list of available apartments and she provides the information to Connections.

Announcements:

K. Paquette mentioned that there will be a meeting at City Welfare on Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. Any agency that would like to discuss there needs are welcome to attend.

S. Mead mentioned that there will be a National Depression screening next week.

- C. Pitcher indicated that Dick Hatten from HUD indicated that the 2008 Super NOFA will be electronic and APR's will also be electronic soon.
- P. Kelleher announced that the Warm Line will be implemented through Connections and coverage will be between 6pm and 8pm.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:59 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Kim Berube, Harbor Homes, Inc.