Ending Homelessness Committee

September 3, 2014

Present in meeting were: Lianne Bower, Eileen Brady, Sylvia Gale, Susan Howland, Hilary Keating, Sandie Leavitt, Kevin O'Meara, Magaly Rios, Roy Stephanie, Pamela Small, Jason Smith, Claire Helfman, Pam Brown, Wendy LeBlanc

W. LeBlanc chaired the meeting as B. Mack could not attend.

Coordinated Assessment-Continued discussion regarding the coordinated intake/assessment as mandated by HUD. Discussed the idea of 2-3 agencies being the central intake point and that it is still being determined who those agencies may be. A few agencies have already indicated they would not be able to serve in this role, and B. Mack will be speaking with leaders of others to see what they might be able to do.

S. Howland talked about what is happening in other parts of the state as well as what the State of NH Bureau of Homeless and Housing is working on for a statewide plan. Discussed the VI SPDAT (Vulnerability Index and Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool) and that she believes the State will be going in this direction. The tool was developed to help rate the level of need for a homeless individual, taking into account multiple items such as medical history and length of homelessness.

Additional discussion took place regarding HMIS and how electronic systems could be utilized.

Announcements:

Go and Vote, it's very important to let your voice be heard.

Project Homeless connect will be happening in December. Stay tuned for more information.

Minutes Taken by Magaly Rios, Case Manager at the Southern NH HIV/AIDS Task Force.