

Greater Nashua Continuum of Care

Nashua City Hall, May 3, 2017

Chair Ana Pancine called the meeting to order at 8:05 am. Introductions were made by all.

Minutes from April 5, 2017, meeting were reviewed. Bob Mack asked that “that because” under Ending Homelessness needed a semicolon. Under “Community Relations” a correction was made on Melissa’s last name; from Baird to Ballard. Liz Fitzgerald corrected the One Greater Nashua meeting place from the Nashua Public Library to The United Way, 20 Broad Street. The motion to accept the minutes as corrected was passed without objection.

Presentation:

Douglas Howard, Homeless Liaison for the Nashua School District and Harbor Homes presented a Power Point presentation on “Youth Homelessness” featuring a student from Nashua. The presentation discussed the Department of Education’s definition of homelessness as “Any student who does not have a permanent, fixed night time living address.” Doug shared Nashua’s current student homeless/and or doubled up count and the state contact, Dr. Linda Thistle-Elliott. Currently, the state has approximately 3,350 homeless youth; Nashua is at last count, 306. Douglas is helping to tie community resources to the needs of the Nashua youth homeless and will be the Chairman of the newly formed Youth Council in Nashua.

Presentation:

Miles Pendry shared the Point in Time information gathered on the last Wednesday in January. Copies of the information were mailed out to all after the meeting. Miles expressed that the PIT count must match HIT accurately. He stressed that the chronically homeless must be counted, the youth count must also be accurate (with the new school district connection this is going better) because counts affect all funding. It was suggested to bring all agencies together to train/explain HMIS (which would help with the yearly data). Miles shared his phone – 603-816-6340 to anyone needing help!

Announcements:

HMIS System Performance Measures are due May 31st.

Liz Fitzgerald from the United Way reminded everyone about the Community Baby Shower at NCC May 5, 2017.

Salvation Army has a Youth Camp (up to age 16) this summer for \$90 a week.

The VA has a Summit this September. Any ideas, please contact Amy.

Ana reminded everyone about the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 am.

Minutes were taken by Cherrie Fulton, Director of Title 1, Nashua School District