

GREATER NASHUA CONTINUUM OF CARE

Meeting Minutes
Auditorium, City Hall
June 1, 2005
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1. Call to Order: 8:00 a.m. by Chairperson Klaas Nijhuis.
2. All present introduced themselves and visitors were welcomed.
3. Minutes of May 4 & 25, 2005: (handout) D. Lozeau motioned to accept the minutes of May 4, 2005, M. Moriarity seconded and the motion carried. L. Christie motioned to accept the minutes of May 25, 2005, W. Furnari seconded and the motion carried. It was pointed out that the minutes of April 6, 2005 have not been approved. The clerk agreed to bring copies to next month's meeting for approval.
4. Report of Executive Committee: K. Nijhuis reported that the committee met on May 18th to listen to presentations of project applications for the SuperNOFA and to rank them. He also announced that P. Kelleher has submitted the application for the statewide grant to fund Homeless people who are addicted to Alcohol and has the MOA in place from the other CoCs in the state. More training/development on the logic model is scheduled next April around performance requests. D. Lozeau had volunteered to do a presentation on the rules about community action. The committee will continue to work on updating the Guidelines.
5. Report of the Ending Homelessness Committee: B. Mack passed out copies of the latest update of the "Strategies & Action Steps" from the Plan along with a Plan Execution table arranged by date of completion. He also displayed it on an overhead projector and explained how the committee was working on the individual items listed to see what action steps and updates and outcomes needed to be added. K. Nijhuis reported that the town of Merrimack has now signed a Good Neighbor Agreement. M. Moriarity asked what in the Plan addresses the problem of prevention. B. Mack responded that the revolving loan funds for rent payments and legal assistance were directed toward that, but that the committee would look into what else could be done. M. Auer offered to research the Federal Regulations for why HUD has stopped using the word "preventive" in the SuperNOFA instructions. B. Mack invited people who had questions or could report on progress to get in touch with this committee or become a part of it.
6. SuperNOFA Report: M. Auer thanked everyone who had helped this year for all his or her help and cooperation. The report has been submitted for review and help with any problems and the final submission will be on June 10th. She explained what the SuperNOFA was to all the new comers. K. Nijhuis said he had a fact sheet for anyone interested. M. Auer said the whole report would be

posted on the GNCOC website later. T. Epaphras stated that no other CoC in the state has an Ending Homelessness Plan yet.

7. Quarterly Homeless Census: D. Juszkievicz reported that the committee has started sending quarterly homeless count reports to specific agencies. One went out at the end of April. They will be doing follow-up calls to investigate any changes. K. Nijhuis had prepared a summary report of the results of the April Census. There is no marked change in the number of sheltered homeless, but looking at the numbers from the limited number of agencies polled, there appears to be an 8% decrease in the number of unsheltered homeless since January. There are large swings in the numbers reported by several agencies. There will be follow-up discussion with those agencies to see if an explanation can be offered.
8. Continua Reports: T. Epharas reported that the Manchester COC met on May 25th and the focus was on Ending Homelessness Plan, SuperNOFA and Strategic Planning. M. Auer reported that the BOSCOC met on May 24th and concentrated on the SuperNOFA. Both COCs would like to send representatives to the GNCOC meetings.
9. Upcoming Meetings:
 - a. NH Coalition to End Homelessness – June 3, 9:30 – City Hall Auditorium
 - b. Executive Committee – June 15th, 8:00 am – Harbor Homes, 78 Main St.
 - c. Ending Homelessness Committee – June 1, 9:00 am Room 208, City Hall; June 30, 8:30 am, Harbor Homes, 78 Main Street
 - d. SuperNOFA team – June 3, 12:00 noon, Harbor Homes, 78 Main Street and June 15, 11:30 am, Merrimack County Savings Bank Conf. Rm, 101 Broad Street.
10. Announcements:

M. Moriarity of St. John Newman Church announced that after 14 years she is retiring and introduced her two replacements, Patti Cummings and Carol Hopfenspirger. Everyone gave M. Moriarity a round of applause.

J. Reale from Nashua Transit introduced her replacement as Mobility Manager, Kristi Gillette.

L. Skibba from Gr. Nashua Interfaith Hospitality Network told about their agency's first success since opening last November. Their first family has moved into their own apartment.
11. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:00 am.