

GREATER NASHUA CONTINUUM OF CARE

Meeting Minutes
City Hall – Room 208
May 5, 2004
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1. Call to Order: 8:05 am by Chairperson Lisa Christie.
2. All present introduced themselves.
3. Minutes of the April Meeting: A. Haettenschwiller motioned to accept the April 7, 2004 minutes; M. Moriarty seconded and the motion carried.
4. Ending Homelessness Committee Report: P. Kelleher reported that final corrections/additions were still being made to the plan “A Home For Everyone” and wasn’t sure it would be ready for the unveiling event in June. He wants it to be as complete as possible since other CoC groups in the State may be using it as a format for their own plan. It will be further discussed at the subcommittee meeting following this meeting. M. Brown motioned that the Ending Homelessness Committee be allowed to continue to compose the final draft of the plan to end homelessness, to coordinate arrangements to publicly present the plan, and to be the lead entity in publicly promoting the Good Neighbor Agreements and monitoring their receipt and compliance. W. Furnari seconded the motion and the motion carried.
5. Healthcare for the Homeless: P. Kelleher reported that since our last CoC meeting, Harbor Homes, Inc. has had several meetings to further discuss this healthcare plan; two at The Gathering Place on Main Street, one at the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter Ash Street facility, and one at City Hall, Room 208. They have talked with many organizations in the community with a Power Point presentation (handout) on what they are proposing. He mentioned that the HRSA definition of homelessness was a lot broader than HUD’s. The need for evening and weekend hours for the clinic is being studied. The deadline for this grant application has been moved from May to June 18th. In meetings with the State Interagency Council on Homelessness and Public Health departments, they have received all positive comments. This plan will not duplicate anything already being done in the community. It is the hope to put healthcare where it will be more easily accessible and expand the resources beyond the usual medical care now available to the homeless. They hope to begin operations within four months after the award. M. Moriarty moved a motion read by L. Jeynes. The motion read: “to support a proposal to create an access point for Healthcare for the Homeless in Nashua, and to support Healthy at Home as lead applicant in its proposal submission to the Health Resource Services Administration by June 18th”. A. Haettenschwiller seconded the motion and the motion carried with one person abstaining.
6. Data Collection Committee Report: K. Nijhuis reported that all the data received from the homeless count is being compiled by B. Marks and this subcommittee

would be meeting again soon to go over the results. He expressed thanks to everyone for their cooperation in filling out and returning the forms.

7. Section 8 Housing Crisis: G. Hicks-Grogan reported that on April 29, 2004 HUD announced how the Section 8 Housing Vouchers would be re-funded, based on figures of July 31, 2003. The effect of this will be staggering. NHHFA (New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority) will lose 1800 vouchers currently being used in the state. There are about 15,000 on the waiting list already. She urged everyone to write to his or her Congressmen and Governor. P. Kelleher motioned that a letter also be written from this CoC; Sr. Walsh seconded the motion and the motion carried. G. Hicks-Grogan will e-mail everyone a sample of a letter for everyone to use.
8. HMIS Report Update: There was no report available at this time.
9. Continua Reports (BOSCOG & Manchester:

BOSCOG: S. Bultman said there was not much to report at this time. BOSCOG and Manchester CoC are awaiting the Super NOFA. There was mention of possibly touring the proposed projects for the selection/ranking process with the schedule being posted on the website.

Manchester CoC: P. Kelleher reminded everyone that Manchester is watching GNCOC's Ending Homeless Plan writing process. The State is not drafting a plan. It was also announced that Lance dePlante, Director of the Office of Housing and Homeless Services, would be retiring at the end of May.
10. Process for Continuum Business: At the suggestion of D. Lozeau at last month's meeting, L. Christie proposed that the lead entity of the CoC meet to further refine this process and bring their recommendations back to the CoC.
11. Other:
 - a. Lenders' Participation in CoC Process: B. Mack asked everyone to let the Mayor's office know what the CoC agencies' needs are in terms of lenders' participation and the Mayor would be supportive in contacting them. He was asked to also contact the Mayor to see if he would be supportive by sending a letter to the State about the Section 8 voucher crisis.
 - b. Draft Agenda for June Welfare Administrator's Conference (handout): P. Kelleher stated that this meeting was scheduled for June 10th and encouraged everyone to e-mail any ideas they wanted communicated in terms of the ten year homelessness prevention plan to him at Harbor Homes. This meeting is only for Welfare Administrators.
 - c. Transportation/Citybus: D. Cull discussed that the bus service to Milford would be ending soon due to lack of support from the Town of Milford and other outlying towns. M. Brown said there have been several editorials in the paper about this. J. Reale, from Nashua Transit, said their

surveys showed there was not enough ridership to keep it going, but if they could get better support from the towns in terms of finances it would help a lot. There have been good turnouts at the Milford hearings on this subject and there is a real need for this service. P. Kelleher motioned that D. Cull look into this matter further and report his findings to the CoC lead entity for further discussion and they would report their recommendations back to the CoC membership. L. Nault seconded the motion and the motion carried.

12. Next Meeting: June 2, 2004, Room 208, Nashua City Hall at 8:00 am.

13. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:10 am.

Minutes prepared by Linda Jeynes/Urban Programs

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Attendance

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Officers:

- [p] Lisa Christie (Chair) Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter, Inc.
- [p] Klaas Nijhuis (Vice-Chair) City of Nashua - Urban Programs
- [p] Linda Jeynes (Clerk) City of Nashua – Urban Programs

Regular Representatives:

- [p] Tara Davis Bridges (formerly Rape and Assault Services Inc.)
 - Agnes Han Bridges (formerly Rape and Assault Services Inc.)
 - [p] Bob Mack City of Nashua – Welfare Department
 - [p] Susan Mead Community Council of Nashua
 - [p] Sharon Face Department of Health & Human Services
 - [p] Dave Darling Greater Nashua Habitat for Humanity
 - Bob Marks Greater Nashua Interfaith Hospitality Network, Inc.
 - [p] Laurie Skibba Greater Nashua Interfaith Hospitality Network, Inc.
 - Cheryl Rawe Half Moon Sober Festival
 - Mary Fisher Half Moon Sober Festival
 - [p] Peter Kelleher Harbor Homes, Inc.
 - [p] Mary Auer Harbor Homes, Inc.
 - [p] Susan Bultman Harbor Homes, Inc.
 - Miles Pendry Harbor Homes, Inc.
 - Sandra Hurd Keystone Hall
 - [p] Sr. Sharon Walsh Marguerite's Place
 - [p] Ruth Morrisette Marguerite's Place
 - Lori Piper Merrimack County Savings Bank
 - [p] Maria Brown Milford, Town of - Welfare Department
 - [p] Laura Nault Nashua Advocacy Group
 - [p] Mariellen Durso Nashua Area Health Center
 - [p] Sarah R. Gagnon Nashua Housing Authority
 - [p] Grace Hicks-Grogan Nashua Housing Authority
 - [p] Maryse Wirbal Nashua Pastoral Care
 - Eileen Brady Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter, Inc.
 - [p] Donna Juskiewicz Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter, Inc.
 - Bridget Belton-Jette Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Nashua
 - Linda Gallagher Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Nashua
 - [p] Alphonse Haettenschwiller Private Citizen
 - [p] David Cull Soul Purpose Property Management/Nashua Advocacy Group
 - [p] Wendy Furnari Southern New Hampshire HIV Task Force
 - Tony Epaphras Southern New Hampshire Services
 - Donnalee Lozeau Southern New Hampshire Services
 - [p] Mary Moriarty St John Neumann Church
 - Ray Peterson United Way of Greater Nashua
- Attended in Last 12 Months**
- Martha Yager American Friends Service Committee
 - George Barrett Area Agency of Greater Nashua, Inc.
 - [p] Stefan Russakow City of Nashua - Welfare Department

	Kathy Hersh	City of Nashua – Community Development Division
	Mike Vaccaro	City of Nashua - Fire Marshal's Office
[p]	Jenn Reale	City of Nashua – Nashua Transit
	Jade Marco	City of Nashua – Welfare Department
	Russ Johnson	Community Council of Nashua
[p]	Scott Brennan	Community Council of Nashua
	Carol Furlong	Community Council of Nashua
	Kay Golden	Corpus Christi Food Pantry
	Ignatius MacLellan	Fannie Mae
	Susanne Cameim	Fannie Mae
	Page Cannon	Fellowship Housing
[p]	Gabrielle Green	GNIHN
[p]	Barbara Corman	GNIHN
[p]	Laura Hegfield	GNIHN
	Brian Sousa	Harbor Homes
[p]	Cara Wheaton	Harbor Homes
	Vicki Kress	Harbor Homes (visitor)
	Jean Bradanick	Harbor Homes (visitor)
	Jeanne Maestranzi	Harbor Homes (visitor)
[p]	Heather Tarr	Harbor Homes (visitor)
	Kathy Treggiari	Harbor Homes (visitor)
	Roger Nadeau	Harbor Homes (visitor)
	Joseph Ntengeri	Harbor Homes, Inc.
	Steve Dooley	Harbor Homes, Inc.
	Robert Tamposi	Harbor Homes, Inc.
[p]	Jean Russell	Harbor Homes, Inc.
	Caley O'Connell	Harbor Homes, Inc.
	Michele Martin	Harbor Homes, Inc.
[p]	Charles Bronnell	Harbor Homes, Inc.
[p]	Charlie Cook	Harbor Homes, Inc.
[p]	Chris Mohler	Harbor Homes, Inc.
[p]	Cath Hallsworth	Hollis, Town of
	Jane Allen	Home, Health & Hospice
	Charlene Brodeur	HUD
	Richard Hatin	HUD
	Roslyn Block	HUD
	Mary Ann Martel	HUD
	Lynn Morrow	HUD
	Michelle Cushion	HUD
	Darlene Xintaras	HUD
	Kathy Baumgardner	HUD – CPD
	Samantha Lussier	HUD – CPD
[p]	Joan A. Koliss	Immaculate Conception Parish
	Sandra Hurd	Keystone Hall
[p]	Karen Kelley	Keystone Hall
	Luann Barrs	Luann's House of Hope
	Fred Robinson	Manchester CoC (visitor)
	Craig Everett	Manchester CoC (visitor)
	Mark Sousa	Mayor's Office, City of Nashua
	Chaplain Michael Gashey	Nashua Advocacy Group
[p]	Shayana Owen	NAHC
[p]	Jeanne Parks	NHHC

	Betsy Portash	Nashua Pastoral Care
	Cheryl Miller	Nashua Pastoral Care
[p]	Jennifer Spencer	Nashua Pastoral Care
	Camille Pattison	Nashua Regional planning Commission (visitor)
	Bob Keating	Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter
	Venus Davila	Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter
	Patricia Hayes	Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter, Inc.
	Mary Short	Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter, Inc.
	Bill Guinthier	New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority
	Roy Morrison	NH Coalition to End Homelessness
	Christine Lavallee	NH Legal Assistance
	Heather Schulze	NH Legal Assistance
	Joe Webster	NH Legal Assistance
	Sr. Sandra Morgan	SHARE
	Carolyn Momenee	SHARE
[p]	Mariette Facques	SHARE
[p]	Pauline Boggis	GSOP
	Josh May	Souhegan High School
	Joseph L. Racine	Soul Purpose
	Mike Amichetti	Southern New Hampshire HIV Task Force
[p]	Greg Schneider	Southern New Hampshire Services
	Maureen Griffin	Southern New Hampshire Services
	Pat Gocklin	Southern NH Integrated Care (I Care)
	Lynne Weihsrauch	Southern NH Integrated Care (I Care)
[p]	Robert Demers	St Joseph Hospital
	Marie Herb	TAC (visitor)
	Cindy Carlson	Under the Bridge
	Scott Hodgkins	Under the Bridge
	Mike Dunn	Under the Bridge
	D. M. Hudson	Under the Bridge
	Dino	Under the Bridge
	Luis F. Cruz	Public Health – Student Intern
	Betsy Korn	Nashua School District
[p]	L. L'heureux	Salvation Army
	N. Randall	Salvation Army
	Marianne Feliciano	HCH
[p]	Linda Carter	Healthy at Home
[p]	David Blacksmith	Southern NH Rescue Mission
	Mel Meyer	Main Street Methodist Church
	Steve Eckberg	Community Service Council of New Hampshire
	Henry Vincent	Community Service Council of New Hampshire
[p]	Joseph L. Parks	
	Emily Radina	