

**Greater Virginia Peninsula Continuum of Care Council
Task Force on Homelessness Meeting, Mary Immaculate Hospital
February 17, 2009 Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Attendees

ACCESS - S Walls-Beegle Avalon – S Meacham, A Smith CORE, Inc. – S Bridges, G Lucas Habitat for Humanity – M Johnson Hampton Neighborhood Office – A Lenoir Hampton Military Affairs – A Soltys H-NN CSB - S Armstrong, D Schwartz HELP – C Dillow Housing Develop. HR - Sr. David Ann Individual – J O’Brien James City County OHCD – A Gerwitz LINK of HR - N Vollette Menchville House – S Jones, S Ellis, M Blake Natasha House – S Cooper, D Borum, A Evans	NN DHS - J Kirsch, T Rankins NN Development Office - T Wilson NN Office of Human Affairs – A Peoples NN Public Schools – J Moreland PICH/Health Care - E Lemon The Planning Council - P Vedomske, B Gooden, C Gooch The Salvation Army, Peninsula – T Satchell, K Feinauer, D Walden The Salvation Army, Williamsburg - R Dugan Transitions FVS - M Wright UWGW – S Whitley VEC – C Preston VAMC – M Chick-Ebey, D Wall
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Welcome – Joel Kirsch

Introductions of persons attending the meeting

Meeting Minutes from January 21, 2009 approved as presented.

2009 Samaritan Initiative Guidelines – facilitated by Claudia Gooch

- Minimum four (4) units. Preference will be given to project(s) with plans to increase units.
- Limit budget to 20% Support Services

Ending Homelessness on the Peninsula – facilitated by Claudia Gooch

1. Create Affordable Housing
2. Gain support from local Decision Makers
3. Increase Support Services funding

Housing	Prevention	Advocacy
Create Affordable Housing	Increase Support Services funding	Gain support from local Decision Makers
Central Intake	Increase Substance Abuse funding	Research causes
Initiate Housing First model	Rental Assistance	Give voice to homeless
Increase Temporary and Permanent Housing	Vocational and Educational Training	Educate community
Create housing for Chronically Homeless families	Credit Counseling	Work for more lenient ex-offender laws
Emergency Shelter in northern	Get local government funding	Decrease regulatory barriers

Minutes submitted by B. Gooden

peninsula	commitments	
Follow Best Practice Models	Transportation	Get local government funding commitments
Address “doubled-up” living situations	Medical Respite	Raise awareness
Ensure housing with support services	Initiate youth programs	Create mentor program

Meeting Adjourned