

**Greater Virginia Peninsula Continuum of Care Council
Task Force on Homelessness Meeting, Mary Immaculate Hospital
May 19, 2009 Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Attendees

<p>ACCESS - S Walls-Beegle Avalon – S Meacham Hampton DHS – E Chambers Hampton Military Affairs – B Peters HELP – C Dillow H-NN CSB - S Armstrong, D Schwartz Housing Develop. HR - Sr. David Ann Niski Individual – J O’Brien JCC Housing Office – A Gerwitz LINK of HR – N Volette, Y Jones Menchville House – S Jones, M Blake Natasha House – D Borum, K Scott</p>	<p>NN DHS - J Kirsch, T Rankins NN Development Office – T Wilson Office of Human Affairs – B Lester PICH/Health Care - E Lemon The Planning Council - B Gooden, J Dixon, P Vedomske The Salvation Army, Peninsula – T Satchell The Salvation Army, Williamsburg – S LaRosee Transitions FVS – M Wright VAMC – D Wall, M Chick-Ebey VEC – C Preston, P Glass</p>
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Welcome – Joel Kirsch

Introductions of persons attending the meeting

Meeting Minutes from April 21, 2009 approved as presented.

Housing Development Committee – Sr. David Ann Niski

- Joy Cipriano is checking with Virginia Supportive Housing to see if they are interested in doing housing on the Peninsula.
- Kim Thomas from Norfolk’s Office to End Homelessness presented info on their Faith Partnership program. The Task Force would like more information on what this program could look like on the Peninsula, a budget sheet and info packet.

Coordinated Services Committee – Theora Rankins

- The committee is reviewing the Meal and Food Distribution list to ensure addresses and telephone numbers are accurate
- The Service Inventory Chart for Exhibit 1 will be updated over the next few months. An additional field to include will be subpopulation
- The Homeless Street Card is finished, but there is a formatting issue. It will be forwarded to Bill Lester for assistance.

Program Monitoring Committee – Julie Dixon

- The committee is almost done with agency presentations and peer review
- The NOFA is expected to be published late summer
- There have been some occupancy issues with the Transitional Housing applications, but the committee is evaluating some options to fix those

HMIS – Pat Vedomske

- The committee has met twice since its formation
- Sue Armstrong is the interim chair for two months

- There is a need for more agencies to come onto the system
- Special thanks to Hampton DHS for exiting their clients

HUD 2008 CoC Score – Beverly Gooden

- The CoC scored 78.25, which was the funding line
- The CoC needs to participate in AHAR, which will be done in 2009
- The CoC needs to stress to the Commission on Homelessness the importance of passing the Ten Year Plan

Newport News HPRP Funding – Tricia Wilson

- Newport News was awarded \$659,087
- \$420,000 will be used for Homeless Prevention, \$180,000 for Rapid Re-housing, \$32,954 for administration, and \$26,133 for HMIS
- There is a lot that has not been decided yet

Other Business

1. Elections will take place at next month's meeting.
2. The PATH grant was announced, it is now competitive.

Round Table

1. The Commission on Homelessness is exploring the possibility of submitting a regional HPRP application to the State.
2. LINK has a new case manager, Yolanda Jones.
3. Avalon has four Emergency Shelter beds available, Transitional Housing is full.
4. Natasha House is expected to open by July 31.
5. VEC has employment opportunities available. Please contact Carl Preston at (757) 865-5810 for more information.

Meeting Adjourned