

**Greater Virginia Peninsula Continuum of Care Council
Taskforce on Homelessness
Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2008**

Meeting Attendees

AVALON Hampton DHS	N. Franklin E Chambers, B Stewart	HELP H-NNCSB	L Davis S Armstrong, J Cipriano, D Schwartz
Housing Develop.HR Menchville House NNDHS	Sr. David Ann S Jones J Kirsch, T Rankins	LINK Natasha House NN Development Department	C Westlund, N Vollette K Scott T Wilson
NNRHA The Joseph Project The Salvation Army, Peninsula Command Transitions FVS York Co. Housing	B Lee M Claud H Johnson, D Walden, B Anderson M Wright, V Alexander B Williamson	PICH/Health Care... The Planning Council The Salvation Army, Williamsburg Comd. VCE	E Lemon P Vedomske R Dugan C Preston

Welcome and introductions were made by Joel Kirsch

Meeting minutes for April 15 were reviewed and approved as presented.

Committee Assignments

A Task Force membership list was circulated for Task Force members to sign up for participation on the Task Force’s committees. In order to be considered as an “active member” each member agencies must

- 1. be a paid member of the GVPCCC,**
- 2. attend at least 75% of the Task Force’s meetings, and**
- 3. attend at least 75% of their committee meetings/activities and be an active, working member of the respective committee.**

This criteria will be used in the “participation” letters for DHCD and HUD.

<p>The following is the current list of committee assignments taken from the circulated list, Regular Committees</p> <p>Prevention: Sue Armstrong, Sylvia Jones, Marcy Wright,</p> <p>Education & Public Relations: Angelique Lenior, Marcy Wright,</p> <p>Permanent Housing & Other Shelter: Dee Schwartz, Denise Myles, Natalie Franklin, Mildred Claud</p> <p>Coordinated Services: Charlotte Dillow, Theora Rankins, Karen Scott; Beverly Lee,</p> <p>Systems Change: Joel Kirsch, S. Walls-Beegle,</p> <p>HIMS Oversight: Christy Westlund, Nan Vollette, Julie Dixon, Pat Verdomske, Barbara Anderson</p>

Project Monitoring, Ranking, & Review: Ella Chambers, Joel Kirsch, Tricia Wilson, Bill Lester, Elizabeth Lemon, Deborah Walden, David Wall, Barbara Stewart,

Ad Hoc Committees

Project Connect: S. Walls-Beegle, Marcy Wright, Carl Preston

Standards of Care: Marcy Wright, Sue Armstrong, Dee Schwartz, Sylvia Jones, Joel Kirsch, David Wall, Beverly Williamson,

Mayors & Chairs Commission on Homelessness; S. Walls-Beegle, Joy Cipriano

Fort Monroe Properties/Base Closing: Stacie Walls-Beegle

Homeless Veterans: Joy Cipriano, Anthony Soltys, Carl Preston, Peggy Mertz,

Super NOFA – Talk to Joel if you attend to do a letter of intent for the new NOFA

Reports of Ad Hoc Committees

Project Connect – no new business; J. Kirsch reviewed the inability of local departments of Social Services/Human Services to issue ID cards as was done by the Norfolk Department of Human Services at Norfolk’s Project Connect.

Standards of Care – M. Wright reported that the committee is moving forward with the final document. The final package will be completed by the June meeting. The committees next meeting is on June 2 at 9 AM at the Hampton-Newport News CSB.

Mayors and Chairs Commission on Homelessness – York County and Poquoson are still out on the funding issue. The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for May 29.

Fort Monroe/BRAC – No new news

Reports of Regular Committees

Prevention – No report; many members are working on standards of care.

Ed and PR – No report, many members are working on standards of care.

Permanent Housing – No report, many members are working on standards of care.

Coordinated Services – T Rankins reported that the committee is working on housing surveys for HUD statement. The list is split among the members to facilitate reporting.

Systems Change – No report; many members are working on standards of care.

HMIS oversight – C. Westlund reported the committee is working on the information needed for the HUD statement. Members were asked to please update your information and return the sheets to Christy Westlund

Project Monitoring, Ranking , & Review – E. Chambers reported that the committee is attempting to complete the monitoring visits. **She announced that all Letters of Intent for the 2008 HUD Statement are due by July 1, 2008 at 5:00 PM and should be emailed to her, Ella Chambers at elc650@eastern.dss.state.va.us .**

HMIS – Pat Verdonske announced that the Salvation Army is now trained and on line. We have 7 agencies and 12 users and the data quality is great for over 1,400 clients. She will be meeting with Transitions soon to discuss their utilization of the system. HUD will be hosting a conference at the end of September in Atlanta; Pat will be attending the conference and update us on the changes including the new standards and the new APR. .

VIACH – J. Cipriano stated there is no report or information as there has not been any meetings.

Other Business

- SHP grant inventory chart needs to be completed and turned into HUD Richmond no later than this Friday, May 23.

Announcements

- Harvey Johnson of the Salvation Army announced he will be leaving for a new command in Arkansas. His replacements will be Major Kim and Roxanne Feinhauer. J. Kirsch thanked Major Johnson for his exemplary spirit of cooperation and willingness to work with all parts of the service community in meeting the needs citizens of the Peninsula; it was noted he will be missed by all members of the Task Force.
- There was a brief discussion regarding the need to condense the committees, primarily too few people to support the number of committees. The committee chairs were asked to meet after the conclusion of the Task Force meeting to further discuss the issue and to develop a recommendation to be presented at the June 17 Task Force Meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2008.
Committees will meet at 1 PM and Task Force will meet at 2 PM.

Committee Reorganization

The committee chairs met following the May 20, 2008 Task Force Meeting and are proposing the following committee reorganization:

Regular Committees

Coordinated Services Committee

HMIS Committee

Folding in of the HMIS Oversight Committee and the HMIS report provided by the staff of The Planning Council

Permanent Housing & Other Shelter Committee includes the Homeless Veterans Subcommittee

Combination of the Prevention and Permanent Housing & Other Shelter Committees

Project Monitoring, Ranking, and Review Committee

Standards of Care Committee (becomes a regular committee)

The following Regular Committees would be eliminated:

Education & Public Relations Committee

Systems Change Committee

The following committees would remain as **Ad Hoc Committees**

Project Connect Fort Monroe Properties/Base Closing

A new Ad Hoc Committee would be appointed to coordinate and conduct the Point-In-Time (PIT) count.

The Ad Hoc Committee Mayors and Chairs Commission on Homelessness would be listed in the meeting agenda under reports, along with VIACH.