

Continuum General Assembly Minutes

Date and Time

Thursday, July 21st 2011 from 12:00PM-1:00PM

Location

Federal Building, 5th Floor, VA Conference Room, 275 Chestnut Street, Manchester, NH

Attendees

Anna Rice	David Carroll	Heather Aicholtz	Kyle Beaulieu	Monika Bryant
Cathy Kuhn	Dick Webster	Jay Mattia	Levi Kafka	Shane Fisher
Charlie Sherman	Dominique Rust	Jennifer Comeau	Lisa Jacobus	Susan Howland
Christopher Emerson	Donna Curley	Jocelyne Pinsonneault	Mark Stokes	Tracey Noonan
Claire Cavanagh	Ed Orlowski	Kevin Kintner	Maureen Beauregard	

Voting on Minutes

- Voice vote for June General Assembly minutes. **Approved.**

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) – *Donna Curley*

- Upgrading HMIS
 - Will be going from 10-years old to state-of-the-art
 - There will be a mandatory training for anyone who has a license
 - Will be “night and day” differences
 - Increase ease of use
 - Better reports
 - Q. Will the whole State go through the same process?
 - A. Yes – A demo site will be held before, but everyone will go through the same process.
 - There has been a lot of positive feedback from other states.
- Outcomes
 - Doing very well on goals

Summer Point-in-Time Count: Basic Results – *Kyle Beaulieu*

- Down by 3 from last Winter
- Overall, no big differences between the Winter and the Summer Point-in-Time Count
- Need to focus on collecting better youth data and data on families that are doubled-up.

Community Awareness & Project Homeless Connect – *Susan Howland*

- Community Awareness Committee will be working and organizing Project Homeless Connect, going forward.
- Idea:
 - Setting up an event at the same location the night before the actual event.
 - Would be able to show our collaborative efforts/

Homeless Services Center: Update – *Christopher Emerson*

- Working on getting better data from the Center.
- Trying to answer the questions on whether the guests are housed or not.
- Have found out that 20% coming into the center indicate they are housed.



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- Have received 254 unduplicated persons in Page 2 of 24 days.
- Looking very hard at managing volunteers
 - Providing proper training to volunteers
- Safety is a priority
- Chris asked that if anyone wanted to provide him with any feedback, he would really like to meet with them.

Open Floor

- *Shane Fisher*
 - PeopleFest (multicultural event)
 - \$50 for nonprofits to have a booth at the event
- *Susan Howland*
 - Granite United Way Day of Caring is coming up
 - For nonprofits who have needs, submit the appropriate form to have those needs addressed during Day of Caring
 - More volunteers than projects right now
- *Cathy Kuhn*
 - Kyle will act as the MCoC Coordinator during the interim of his VISTA ending and the next VISTA beginning (August 15th)
 - Pascale Etienne will start coming to MCoC meetings in September
- *HANH & Advocacy*
 - Watching the debt ceiling crisis carefully
 - Will communicate any budget (FY2012) updates as they come along
 - Imperative to pay attention to updates & involved each agency's Board of Directors

Minutes Prepared By

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