

**Salt Lake County Homeless Coordinating Council, Inc.**  
**Minutes**  
**June 14, 2007**

*The mission of the Salt Lake County Homeless Coordinating Council, Inc. is to advocate for homeless people by coordinating services, sharing information, and increasing public awareness.*

1. **Welcome/Introductions.** Kerry Bate welcomed the members and introductions were made.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** Michelle Flynn motioned to approve the minutes from April; Kerry Steadman seconded the motion. The Council voted to approve the minutes.
3. **Council Update: Continuum of Care Grant/Approval for Salt Lake County CDBG Contract.** Matt Minkevitch motioned for Kerry Bate to sign the Salt Lake County CDBG contract; Jim Kenyon seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Eileen Dwyer updated the Council on the HUD Continuum of Care grant; the grant was completed June 14<sup>th</sup> and mailed June 15<sup>th</sup>.

4. **PAHTF Applications/Funding.** Kerry Steadman reported on and outlined Jonathan Hardy's letter to the Council on program funding. Valley Mental Health was awarded \$25,000.00 from the State for the HARP Coordinator/Case Manager Project. A conditional award was set aside for implementing "Housing Specialists" within Salt Lake County. There were no specific applications for Grace Mary Manor. The Allocation Committee awarded a conditional \$80,000.00 along with recommendations:
  - The funding should be used to place homeless individuals referred from multiple agencies into permanent housing situations.
  - Existing or upcoming Housing projects should be the focus: Grace Mary Manor, Sunrise Metro, Pathways and HARP.
  - A master strategy should be formed to deliver housing placements for the homeless on an agency collaborative basis.

Kerry Steadman outlined the options for the Council:

- Allocate a portion of the \$80,000.00 specifically for Grace Mary Manor.
- Divide up the money between agencies.
- Create a master housing strategy to allocate these funds.
- Create a housing component system.

Questions were asked as to whether these funds were onetime or ongoing and if a portion of the \$80,000 could be used for salaries.

**Motion:** Matt Minkevitch motioned to allow the Executive Committee to make the final allocations decisions but with a strong recommendation that the Executive Committee prioritize Grace Mary Manor first and creating a master housing strategy to allocate the funds and dividing up the money between agencies second. Jona Curry seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

The Executive Committee's determinations will be emailed to Council members.

**5. McKinney/Vento Reauthorization.** Michelle Flynn reported on the McKinney/Vento Reauthorization bill "Community Partnership to End Homelessness Act of 2007 (S.1518). This bill was introduced by Sen. Reed on May 14<sup>th</sup>. We are requesting Sen. Bennett sign on as a co-sponsor of the legislation. Sen. Bennett is on the Committee where this bill was introduced. We have an opportunity to influence changes in the bill's language at this point and encourage any input. Summary sheet was provided to the council. Also, Lloyd Pendleton has been asked to testify before the committee on Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup>.

**6. Agency Announcements/Updates.**

Volunteers of America, Utah announced Nicole Campolucci's resignation and the opening of her position as Director of Outreach Services.

Volunteers of America, Utah also announced Jazz in the Garden donor recognition event at their Center for Women and Children on Thursday June 21<sup>st</sup>, and they have received \$250,000 from Salt Lake County Substance Abuse Program.

Heather Masterton from South Valley Sanctuary announced her email has been changed and the new one is [heatherm@southvalleysanctuary.com](mailto:heatherm@southvalleysanctuary.com). She also announced South Valley Sanctuary has hired on a male community organizer who is bilingual in English and Spanish. He will be outreaching to men and male youth on preventing violence against women and children and doing basic domestic violence education presentations. South Valley Sanctuary will be holding a conference "Mobilizing Men in the Fight Against Domestic Violence" on October 12 at the E-Center. Ulester Douglas from Men Stopping Violence will be the keynote speaker.

Karen Kuipers of Tooele County reported on Tooele's pilot project, a public yard sale hosted by the Board of Realty that raised \$3,600 for Motel Vouchers, and an article in the local paper that raised public awareness for homeless needs in Tooele County.

Michelle Vasquez for HMIS reported on new additions to the UHMIS website including "How to" sheets and "Help" sheets, and a job description for the UHMIS Director position.

Michelle Flynn from The Road Home, announced they are reorganizing some of the departments within the agency. The Housing Department and the Intake Department will be combined into one, with the intent to better serve the clients and move them into housing as soon as possible.

Shawn Teigen of UCAPA announced the completion of the Poverty Data Source Book that will be available for download in August.

Steve Trost of the Rescue Mission announced a capital campaign to raise \$18 million, and \$2 million in private donations, for a new five acre facility for men and families.

It was announced that during the October Homeless Summit, the groundbreaking of the Holiday Inn project would occur on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, and HMIS and other training on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Lloyd Pendleton reported on a new project in Price that will remodel a 1904 hotel for housing homeless individuals and families.

### **No July Meeting**