

**Salt Lake County Homeless Coordinating Council, Inc.**  
**Minutes**  
**Thursday, December 13, 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. Jim Kenyon motioned to approve the Minutes from September; Brent Newren seconded the motion. The Council voted to approve the Minutes.
3. Approval of Resolution. Jeff St. Romain made the motion to allow Kerry Bate to sign grant applications on behalf of the Council; Anne Burkholder, seconded the motion. The Council voted to approve the motion. The Resolution was signed by Kerry Bate as Chair and Mitzy Steward as Co-Chair.
4. Special Program of the Salt Lake County Coordinating Council.  
Awards were presented to:  
Olene S. Walker, Former Governor, the "Lifetime Achievement";  
Jeff St. Romain, Volunteers of America, Utah, the "Visionary Leadership",  
Peter Corroon, Mayor, Salt Lake County, the "Visionary Leadership", this award will be presented to Mayor Corroon at a Salt Lake County Council Meeting;  
Department of Workforce Services for the Homeless One Stop Service Delivery Pilot, the "One for All and All for One" award, accepting the award were Jon Pierpont and Brent Newren; and  
Kerry Steadman, Homeless Coordinator Salt Lake County, "Stick to It" award
5. State of Utah Funding. Stephanie Bourdeaux from the State Office of Culture and Community presented key information for the FY09 funds for the Pamela Atkinson Homeless Trust Fund (PAHTF), Critical Needs Housing and Emergency Shelter Grant. The Governor's Budget contains a recommendation for \$1,000,000 in new ongoing funds to be added to the PAHTF.
6. Governor's Budget/Legislation. Shelia Walsh McDonald reported on the Governor's supposed budget. The recommendation is on going \$1,000,000 to both housing funds. Some of the areas of funding are quality education, health care, medical and dental and open CHIP enrollment. He is requesting an additional \$30 million in general funds. It is a bold reform and initial step taken are looking good. More budget items are: ongoing child care incentives to stay of the job so parent

doesn't lose their job; family employment plan, GED time line so benefits won't be lost.

7. Update on the Sale of Public Housing Units. Bill Nighswonger, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Salt Lake City, presented a power point on the sale of public housing units. Part of the presentation was how new mixed income units will be built with the funds from the sale; increasing the number of units. Salt Lake City will be purchasing some of the houses for the First-Time Home Buyers Program.
8. HMIS Update. Camille Farra reported the UHMIS is training agencies on HMIS and Annual Progress Reports (APRs). Metsys will be updating the system in mid-February and training will be provided on the new updates and changes. The staff is encouraging new agencies to begin using HMIS for reporting purposes. New monthly reports are being created to help agencies with reporting needs. It has been approved by the UHMIS Steering Committee to be merged into a larger more diverse committee structure and become the Information Committee of the State Homeless Coordinating Committee with Bill Crim, United Way for Salt Lake, acting as chair.
9. Salt Lake County Update. Kerry Steadman reported the Mayor's budgets increased homeless assistance by \$500,000. There was also increase funds in the pilot project for housing children coming out of foster care, Palmer Court, additional funding for HARP, substance abuse, mental health youth services and criminal justice services. The pilot program to house mental health individuals coming out of jail has been successful. Out of the nine original individuals, eight are still in housing. The number one goal is to get those who need housing the most are receiving the assistance they need.
10. Homeless Memorial Announcement. Becky Bash, Fourth Street Clinic announced the Memorial Service will be held on December 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at the Weigand Center. Governor Huntsman, Pamela Atkinson, and Mayor Corroon will be speaking. The services are to last 30 minutes. The council is invited to attend.
11. Agency Announcements/Updates

Allan Ainsworth, Fourth Street Clinic, announced the Clinic has received funding from Salt Lake City and Intermountain Health Care to monitor the 911 calls to this area, especially the Weigand Center and The Road Home. The Clinic will provide triage and possible transportation to the ER and determine if the number of calls decrease, increase or stay the same.

Karen Kuipers, Tooele County Relief Services, announced they have three individuals housed in their pilot project. The Local Homeless Coordinating Committee (LHCC) is finalizing their 10-year plan to end homelessness. The Committee is

planning a centralized location for services in Tooele, i.e., support center, food bank, etc. Also, they are considering a homeless shelter and transitional housing units.

Matt Minkevitch announced The Road Home received tax credits for Palmer Court and are proceeding with the project on schedule.

Meghan Maughan, Catholic Community Services, announced that Jim Upton has accepted a new position in Newport, Oregon and will be leaving the end of the month.

Diane Spencer, Family Support Center, announced they have 10 graduates in their program. The Family Support Center is also expanding their co-housing program.

Chris Croswhite, Rescue Mission of Salt Lake, announced their holiday banquet and will have a lot of items to be given to anyone who attends. Their transitional housing for men who have graduated from the program is very successful and they are considering making the bedrooms two person instead of one so they can help more men. The men can be in transitional housing for six months.

Jeannie Edens, Criminal Justice Services, announced Salt Lake Red Cross is looking for local heroes. Information can be found on their website.

Heather Masterton, South Valley Sanctuary, announced they are hosting a one-day seminar on domestic violence all in Spanish. They are also having a micro leading opportunity seminar open to the public.

Anne Burkholder, YWCA, announced the Salt Lake Area Family Justice center is open Monday through Friday.

Jeff St. Romain, Volunteers of America, announced the Homeless Outreach van escorted Governor Huntsman on a tour of the Homeless Youth Outreach center. The Governor was very personable with a great one-on-one with the individuals he talked to.

Tara Rollins, Utah Housing Coalition, reminded everyone about upcoming Legislation days, Housing on the Hill will be January 25<sup>th</sup>. Former Governor Olene Walker will be there because it will be the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the fund.