

COC Monthly Meeting Minutes
Multi Purpose Room
Greenville Housing Authority
1103 Broad Street, Greenville, NC
May 12, 2010

Present:

Sandra Anderson, City of Greenville – Community Development
Tracie Campbell, Project working Recovery (PWR)
Sharon Edwards, Pitt Co. Department of Social Services
Monica Futral, Greenville Housing Authority – VASH
Teresa Gaskins, STRIVE (Re-Entry)
Tim Grigg, Pitt Co. Department of Social Services
Linda Grimshaw, Jarvis Methodist Church
Lynne James, Greenville Community Shelter
Linda Mandell, SOAR Caseworker, Greenville Comm. Shelter
Amy Modlin, ECBH, LME
Robert Moore, ECU Student
Don Rogers, Greenville Housing Authority
Rob Tripp, Carolina Homeless Information Network
Paulette White, Pitt County Planning/10-Year Project Mgr
Talaika Williams, ECBH, LME

Others:

Rita Blackman, Excel Property Management
Kym Dupree, Excel Property Management

Crystal Springs Presentation

Don Rogers introduced Rita Blackman of Excel Property Management, the local contact who is responsible for the initial leasing and referral services for the Crystal Springs Project. Excel Property Management will also work on compliance with NC Housing agency low income housing aspect of the project. Initial leasing of units is expected to begin this fall. Units are expected to be completed and ready for move in by December 2010 or January 2011. Of the 64 units 40 will be Sect. 8 for age 62+ and the other 24 units will be available to the general public age 55+. The income restrictions are a maximum yearly income of \$22,500 for an individual and \$25,680 for a couple. 8 units will be designated as DHHS referrals. Will try to have _____ assist through NCC Finance Agency for persons with disabilities. There are 24 2-bdrm units and 40 1-bdrm units, all handicaps accessible. Six of the units have roll-in showers and all other units will have a seat, handle bars and handheld sprayers. They are all single story units. The land cost was \$110,000 per acre and the property has retained large trees. They will address the application process in July. Monica Futral, at GHA, is responsible for establishing an initial inquiry list for potential renters. Criteria are that on the initial lease up the 8 units for DHHS referrals will be held for 90 days. In a turnover situation they will be held for 30 days.

2010 CoC Competition

To submit a grant for 2010 competition, a pre-application form is required and must be submitted to the BoS by Friday, June 4, 2010. The pre-application forms are available on the BoS website. Pre-applications must be submitted for both new applications and renewals. Paulette asked that all agencies submitting pre-applications to the BoS copy her on the email. She also requested that

she receive a copy of all pre-applications and final applications for the CoC's records. Feedback for improving applications will be given in the order they are received.

Balance of State Committee Meetings

The Balance of State CoC has 3 committee meetings this month. Families Committee Meeting is Thu. May 13, 11a-12noon, Permanent Housing Committing on Mon. May 17, 10-11a and Transitional Housing Committee on Tues. May 18, 11-12n. A handout was distributed with instructions to join the conference.

The start of the 2010 grant competition is anticipated for June/July 2010 with deadline for final grants in August or September 2010. For the 2009 competition, all agencies renewal grants were contacted in December 2009. New grants will be announced mid June 2010. Paulette reported that there will be changes to the HUD CoC competition in 2011 because of re-authorization changes to McKinney-Vento bill, renaming it the Hearth Act. More financial support will be available for prevention programs similar to the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program. HUD is also considering changes to the definition of Chronically Homeless to include families. Currently, one unattached individuals with disabilities can be considered chronically homeless. No changes to the grant process were announced for the 2010 CoC competition. Changes will be implemented in the 2011 competition.

Homeless Prevention & Rapid Re-housing Program Updates

Pitt County – Sharon Edwards reported for the period of Nov. 1. 2009 through end of Mar. 2010. They don't expect to have funds to help with utilities in next fiscal year.

HPRP Results:

	April, 2010
Households Screened	41
Households Referred to HPRP Caseworker	14
Household NOT approved for HPRP	1
Households Pending	8
Households approved for HPRP (entered into program)	5
Total Estimated dollars spent on financial assistance	\$17,000

Some referred to other programs. No budget spent on legal assistance.

ECBH, LME – Amy Modlin reported on 15 county area (excluding Pitt Co.) No payments were made before the end of March. Criteria for HPRP are based on individual counties situation.

	April, 2010
Households Screened	194
Households Referred to HPRP Caseworker	239
Households NOT approved to HPRP	103
Households Pending	57
Households Approved for HPRP	34
Households Exited from Program	3
Positive/Negative	2/1
Total Estimated dollars spent on financial assistance	\$35,000

SOAR Program Update

Sharon Edwards reported 5 referrals for the month of April, 2 not appropriate, and 3 they are proceeding with. Violet Collins at DSS reported 2 people accepted for SSI benefits, so it totals 7 referrals.

Linda Mandell reported 1 assist for person with SSI award, 2 interviews with 1 pending and one not eligible, 1 un-housed contact which will be followed up, had 2 no shows which need to be rescheduled. Also had contact with 1 un-housed homeless person which will be followed up.

Permanent Supportive Housing Program Updates

- a. Greenville Housing Authority – VASH, Verdura and Shelter + Care programs– Monica Futral reported 33 vouchers issued, 25 housed, remainder still looking or waiting for inspection. Monica at conference in Atlanta and was told we would not get an extra 25 vouchers, not because we were doing anything wrong but because there were much larger cities represented at the conference which still need vouchers. Next focus will be project based and will watch for the paperwork. Verdura is full with 6 key units and 6 Section 8 units. Next month should report on Life House – they are full but keep a waiting list. If you know of anyone at least 62 and disabled, have them come to Housing Authority to fill out a Life House application and they will get on the waiting list for Crystal Springs. For Shelter Plus Care has 15 filled and 25 on waiting list. Housing Authority may get 23 more vouchers if its 2009 CoC grant is approved.
- b. Greenville Community Shelter – Permanent Supportive Housing – Lynne James reported 1 unit is available for a male with disability. She talked to HUD because the program is under budget. Because the project is up for renewal, the Greenville Community Shelter will probably not request any changes to the program. may leave it as is for now. Lynne also reported that the GCS is considering submitting another grant for a supportive housing project.

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- a. May Training Handout was distributed
- b. New Website is being developed
- c. HMIS certificate training is being held May 12, 2010 11a-2p, in the DSS computer lab
- d. Pitt Co. HMIS End User meeting being held after this meeting.

Results of April Strategic Planning Meeting

Draft of planning meeting was distributed. The minutes of April meeting were accepted and approved. The first draft of the Pitt Co. housing inventory was distributed and Paulette would like feedback. It will be posted on the NCCEH website and the Continuum Plan website.

The advisory board met and will also post the 10 Year Plan update on the websites. Will show what they came up with for Continuum Plan and will discuss at next meeting.

Last month Pitt Co. CSC grant results for HUD were presented. 2 columns “grant request”. Pitt Co. has requested a total of \$1,600,000 in support for housing. Have received \$600,000 so far. Still waiting on 2009 to see if successful or not.

Other Announcements

The Greenville Community Shelter will have a fund raiser on at the club level Downey Stadium at 6:00pm on Thursday, June 3. Airmark is catering. Tickets are \$100 for two people and includes dinner

plus a chance to win \$5,000. There will be 50/50 raffles and a crazy hat contest. The theme is “home is where you hang your hat – help those who have no hook”. The Shelter needs to sell 300 tickets. Website is for tickets and information is www.greenvillecommunityshelters.bbnw.org. This is their major fundraiser for the year.

Pat – Mental health collaboration meeting will meet 3rd Thu. , 5/20, 10am in this room.

The next Pitt County Continuum of Care meeting will be
Wednesday, June 9, 2010 from 9:00 AM- 10:30 AM
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