**Transylvania County** **Homeless Coalition**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Location: Brevard Housing Authority**

**133 W. Morgan Street**

**Brevard, NC 28712**

**Date: January 8, 2013**

Attendees:

Jennifer Flood, Haven Rhodney Norman, BHA

Caroline Carter, Meridian Don Rogers, UW & BOL

Shelly Webb, Sharing House Donna Raspa, Sharing House

Ron Shieve, CONNECT Beth Branagan, TCS

Louise Egerton, THAPS Erin Drew, TFP, Con

Ariana DeToro-Forlenza, VA Emily Lowery, Haven

* Meeting called to order 9:00 am
* Agency Updates
  + Brevard Housing Authority- Rhodney says AARP tax service will be starting soon at BHA
  + United Way - Received grant for Emergency Food Services
  + Sharing House - Shelly introduced Donna as new project coordinator to the Getting Ahead Program. This program is modeled after the Circles program without all the over-head. It is peer to peer mentoring. Case load of 33 people is the goal to be served. Middle class and poverty level will be helping each other understand the struggles of each others life.
  + Family Place - Parenting classes, child care provided
    - Preschool age at Rosman location; Tuesdays starting Feb. 3, 2015 5:30 pm- 8 pm
    - School age at Brevard location; Thusdays at 5:30 pm – 8 pm
    - Parent Chat at Haven Family House is going well
  + Project CONNECT- Working on the quality of their referral system
  + Transylvania County School- Angel Tree Project served 325 children in this county, partnered with Salvation Army to include $50 giftcards to Bi-Lo
  + Forest Ranger states they have been looking for people living in the woods and have found nobody camping in the woods, and they are trying to verify that contrary to the campaign by Appalachian Ministry there are not 300 people in the National Forest.
* Elections were held during this meeting and a unanimous vote to keep the Lead as Jennifer Flood and Co-Lead as Rhodney Norman
* ESG- no reimbursements, do not have a contract for this year
* Code Purple- Have used St. Philips, had 6 humans and 1 dog. Success!
* Meeting Adjourned at 9:55 am
* Next Meeting 2/5/2015