

**MOUNTAINLAND REGION CONTINUUM OF CARE MEETING
MINUTES**

**September 14, 2009 at 9:30 AM
United Way of Utah County Conference Room
148 North 100 West, Provo**

Members Present:

- Angela Waghorne (Papillion House)
- Gordon Bruin (Utah County Substance Abuse)
- Brian Butler (Wasatch Mental Health)
- Myla Dutton (Community Action)
- Rev. Richard Green (ICARE)
- Cassie Martinez (Mountainland Community Housing Trust)
- Doug Carlson (Housing Authority of Provo City)
- Darrell Noble (House of Hope)
- Lloyd Pendleton (State Homelessness Task Force)
- Dan Gonzalez (Provo City Redevelopment Agency)
- Jack Robinson (Food and Care Coalition)
- Brent Crane (Food and Care Coalition)
- Lisa Schumacher (Wasatch Mental Health)
- Victor Sorensen (LDS Transient Services)
- Kena Mathews (Habitat for Humanity)
- Curtis Pendleton (Center for Women and Children in Crisis)
- Debra Shelly (Department of Workforce Services)
- Jonathan Hardy (Utah Div. of Housing & Community Development)
- Justin Keetch (Alpine School District)
- Sandra Curcio (Central Utah Center for Independent Living)
- Curtis Pendleton (Center for Women and Children in Crisis) via phone?
- Kelly Palmer (Bank of American Fork, Alpine Branch) via phone
- Dennis Hansen (Center for Women and Children in Crisis) via phone

Recorder: Chelsea Ruiz (United Way)

Issue/Item	Who
Welcome and Introductions	Myla Dutton
Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of August 10, 2009 Minutes 	Motion made by Myla Dutton; seconded by Dan Gonzalez; motion carried.
Targeted Nonsheltered Outdoor Locations in Our Area - Form to be filled out for the Census Bureau <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elected officials have received letters from the Census Bureau in preparation for upcoming Census. Want to know for March 2010. Want information of specific sites where they can go to count individuals. • Food and Care and Community Action know those places. • Cassie will ask Wasatch and Summit County Commissions about what they're doing for this • Deadline is September 23rd. Get information to Chelsea Ruiz at United Way by next Wednesday, September 23 at NOON. 	Dan Gonzalez
Report on KBYU Programming Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KBYU Channel 11, Classical 89, and KBYU website are doing series of shows in October and November on Fridays nights 	Myla Dutton

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Targeted to middle-income that are dealing with crisis, offering resources to those who have never sought help before. Topics are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finances ○ Employment ○ Relationships ○ Housing • Partnering with AAA Fair Credit, LDS Employment Services, DWS, USU Extension • 2 hour shows, panels, testimonials, on-site filming, will be shown state-wide • 211 will be handling the calls on the Friday nights, will send people to them for resources • Flier being drafted, Chelsea will send to CoC to send out for agencies to publicize. Need agencies help to get the word out. We'll email a PDF flier. • Key messages are: "There are options," and "It's ok to ask." • Looking for sponsors to help cover production costs. • Myla will contact Jane Shaw at American Express about potential sponsorship 	
<p>Update on Continuum of Care U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Notice of Funds Available (NOFA) application process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COC has been registered properly, this is the first step. • NOFA hasn't come out yet, but will soon • \$87,000 not accounted for in renewals. • Gene Carly's Housing Committee will be meeting soon • Once NOFA comes out we don't know the time frame. Historically, it's 90 days. It could be 30 or 60 days, though. • Chelsea will send an email once we know. We may have to hold a special meeting. 	Myla Dutton
<p>Update on Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 eligible populations: those who are precariously housed and those who are currently homeless. Designed for short term (3-4 months) of assistance but assistance can be granted up to 18 mo. Includes rental assistance, moving expenses, and case management. Case management is required. This is new stimulus money. State gets \$5 million over a 3 year period. HUD wants to make changes to their programs. Eligibility gives client time to stabilize. 30% case management, 70% services. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Transient Services Office is pleased there is money available for case management. • Provo City <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ First draft of contracts will be sent out on Wednesday. Used the template on HUD website ○ Ad Hoc Committee will be finalizing centralized intake form ○ Agencies are Food and Care and Community Action ○ Funding will start Oct. 1 • State <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ State HPRP Training this Thu, Sep. 17 ○ HMIS training Sep. 22-23 ○ Contracts will be finished this week ○ FCC and CAS have been chosen to receive money ○ Contracts will be executed by Sep. 30 so agencies can launch programs ○ Agencies don't have to start Oct. 1 if they feel rushed. ○ New TANF money <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MOU between Department of Community and Culture 	Jonathan Hardy Victor Sorenson Dan Gonzalez Lloyd Pendleton

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> and DWS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monies used for rental assistance before Sep. are reimbursable ▪ Training on Oct. 17 ○ Half the data used was HMIS and half was Point in Time ○ Training materials will be posted on the web for those who are hired after the date ○ Questions/ discussion about state allocations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CAS has received 3% of the \$5 million and has a huge population (500,000) to serve here in the valley. ▪ We're concerned that we won't have enough money to serve our population ▪ More services are located in Salt Lake City and there are more homeless there. There isn't a homeless shelter in Utah County. Mountainlands has less homeless. ▪ Many are couch-surfing or doubled up. Many are also prevented from becoming homeless. ▪ The homeless count is very important. This area has been undercounted in the past. ▪ FCC has a large amount of unduplicated services. ▪ Just because you're providing services doesn't mean they're homeless. HMIS numbers are becoming more accurate. We need accurate and timely HMIS numbers. ▪ FCC had problems with HMIS templates. ▪ HMIS has changed its platform and has made significant improvements. We still have gaps and need to get a correct count. The 2010 Point in Time Count is very important, and we need to reconcile Point in Time with HMIS. ▪ The Point in Time is done in January, but spring time has much higher homeless numbers for us here. ▪ Recommend Mountainlands does it's own spring or summer Point in Time Count. ▪ We could look into a July or August count and compare that to HMIS data. ▪ Could we revisit the formula in 6 months to reassess the need? ▪ Money implemented over 2 ½ years and will be administered periodically. ▪ Primary objective is to keep people out of our homeless system and help them get out. ▪ Primary impact is to look at our shelter system. We want turnover rate to be lower to measure the success of this program. All monies in Salt Lake County are in rapid re-housing and not prevention. ▪ Mountainlands is getting 10% of the money and Point in Time numbers have never been 10%. ▪ Other numbers such as population have been brought up, but haven't been shown to affect homelessness. ▪ If we had no criteria, the money could be spent in 2 months. We want to have the biggest impact possible. ▪ Utah County does a great job keeping people out of the homeless population. ▪ The way this program is being rolled out by HUD rewards places that have larger populations of homeless (according to HUD.) ▪ Doubling up and couch surfing is occurring, and it's 	<p>Myla Dutton</p> <p>Lloyd Pendleton</p> <p>Myla Dutton and Jack Robinson Lloyd Pendleton</p> <p>Jack Robinson Lloyd Pendleton</p> <p>Jack Robinson Lloyd Pendleton</p> <p>Myla Dutton</p> <p>Lloyd Pendleton</p> <p>Myla Dutton</p> <p>Jonathan Hardy</p>
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<p>important, but this program isn't designed to address that.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ TANF allocations not finalized yet, and we're using the same type of formula. If you want to see a change, we'll need to see data that there's an underrepresentation somewhere. ▪ Objective is to impact the homeless system, and not to have rental assistance dollars available. ▪ If they're been homeless before or if they're a single mother with young children, those are risk factors for homelessness. ▪ Other upcoming homeless dollars and projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marti Burt- homeless research expert doing a study on homelessness. Utah may participate in a national study. (Participants must be in a shelter for 7 days, so Road Home qualifies.) Haven't decided if state will participate. • \$50,000 from Butler Family Fund to impact our homeless system. • Marti Burt will help Utah design an optimal system by geographical area. • If someone is precariously housed, what causes them to either become homeless or not become homeless? We may look into that. • Utah is half the national average for % of homeless population. We have an opportunity to be the first state that ends chronic homelessness. ▪ We'd love to have the state come back in March to reassess the numbers and continue the discussion. ▪ We need to see results to see if this money is actually helping our homeless program ▪ How have the dollars invested assisted the homeless program? Think strategically about how to spend the money. ▪ We want to see reduced time in jail, reduced time on the streets to justify to the legislature that they should take money from one program and put it toward homelessness. We need to be freeing up beds in order to receive more funds. That's got to be our goal. The recession has made it more difficult, but that's why this is so important. ▪ We want Utah to be recognized as a powerful system and to get an optimum system ▪ The new HMIS will enable localized homeless reports to be created 	<p>Lloyd Pendleton</p> <p>Myla Dutton</p> <p>Lloyd Pendleton</p> <p>Jonathan Hardy</p> <p>Lloyd Pendleton</p>
<p>Update on Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Utah and NSP-2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Started as a study about housing for seniors and has expanded to homelessness and affordable housing • We identified housing needs in the county • Talked with Jim Woods at University of Utah to prepare a proposal • Need to expand the data on which we base our needs and will be discussing how to fund • "What is the need for affordable housing?" is the big question so we can plan accordingly. • Mountainland Associate of Government is looking for resources • Want to have it as part of a consolidated plan by next spring 	<p>Doug Carlson</p> <p>Myla Dutton</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a contract. Agency looking at multi-families who are being foreclosed on, must be acquired at a discount. Utah County is one of the target counties. Single-family properties can be eligible as well. Population at or below 50% below AMI needs to be served. Utah Center for Affordable Housing is negotiating with banks to acquire properties. Properties must be completely foreclosed, can't be in the process. UCAH will not be sub-contracting with other nonprofits. All the property acquisition done by UCAH. Money just became available. • There's no stated process to apply. Contact UCAH if you want to participate. Dan Peterson is the Executive Director. Zion's Bank is paying his salary for a year to run this new nonprofit. • Can money be used to convert single family to multi-families?—Ask UCAH. 	Jonathan Hardy
<p>Committee Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • REAP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 5 clients in process of graduating out of program ○ 5 new apartments (for a total of 25) by October ○ Criteria for acceptance has been changed ○ Prescription drug abuse a problem here in Utah County • Discharge Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Next meeting: Thu, Oct. 8 at 2:00 PM at United Way ○ Willing to broker resources. • Centralized Intake Ad Hoc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We will be meeting next week to fine tune agency referral form ○ Anyone invited to attend • Community Relations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Next meeting is last Wed in Sep. at 2:00 PM at the new ReStore in Orem ○ Will be discussing homelessness and housing myths brochure ○ Brochure is for media, agencies, elected officials • Other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2 open houses for FCC will be held. One on the 24th. Open house for general public, service providers, and volunteers on the 25th. Email invites should have been received over the weekend. Hard copies will arrive tomorrow. ○ 2010 HOME application now available. Deadline is Oct 29 at 5:00 PM. Oct 10th 6-7:30 PM will be an open house at Provo Library to help with applications. ○ Notice will be published in paper as well as fliers to let people know 	<p>Rev. Green</p> <p>Brian Butler</p> <p>Myla Dutton</p> <p>Kena Mathews</p> <p>Brent Crane</p> <p>Dan Gonzalez</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Motion made by Myla Dutton; seconded by ; motion carried.</p>

Next meeting: **Monday, October 12 at 9:30 AM at United Way of Utah County**