

# South Plains Homeless Consortium

Wednesday, May 4, 2005  
Meeting at the South Plains Food Bank

## Present:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Bob Terrell	Worksource
Valerie Magaha	Managed Care
Debra Flores	CHCL
Orlando Lorie Andrew	US HUD
Mary Gueterslaugh	Hope City Shalom
Mary George Deyer	LIHN
Alice White	Texas Tech
Russell Harris	Life/RUN
Shamecia Harper	MCC
Lynn Williams	US HUD
Miguel Rincon	US HUD
lone Heartsill	LIHN
Ronnie Browning	LOPC
Becky Haskitt	VA
Diane Hudson	Salvation Army
Shirley Terrell	Volunteer
Larry Roling	Quaker Ave Church Of Christ
Debra Rogers	Children's Home
Reggie Davis	African American Chamber

Bob called the meeting to order. Gary Frye, the Vice Chair is not present. Introductions were made.

Motion made to accept May minutes by lone Heartsill, seconded by Diane Hudson. May minutes approved.

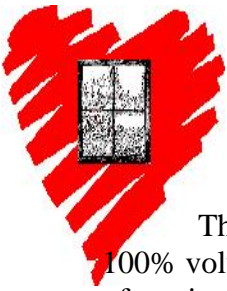
Diane Hudson gave treasurers report, there is \$2552.53 in our account.

The CCF and IYD grant applications have been delivered\_ Gary Frye, Bob and Shirley Terrell worked through E-mail and phone conversations.

Gary was in Washington D.C., and found that working with the rural areas will be possible; Gary included rural stats concerning poverty levels in area.

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The South Plains Homeless Consortium has been in existence for fourteen years, and is a 100% volunteer organization. Gary suggested that if we apply that we have an excellent chance of getting funds. Ione Heartsill of Interfaith has already submitted her portion of the grant and Bob is unsure about Debra Rogers of Childrens Home grant application.

According to the summary sheet for the Continuum of Care survey, the statistics show that August is the peak time of the most people in shelters.

The Consortium should do another survey in late August. It was decided to conduct another survey in August.

Ione Heartsill asked if it would be a phone survey or a point-in-time survey. We really need to get a count of the canyon area. Shirley Terrell called the agencies for the last survey.

We also need to get input from the rural communities. Russell Harris has communication with the Caprock Community Action and South Plains Community Action, to involve the rural areas in both the survey count and the consortium to include them in grant.

Russell Harris from Life Run volunteered to head up the survey team. Mary Gueterslaugh and Shirley Terrell both volunteered to help Russell with survey.

We also decided to make the Survey team a "somewhat" permanent committee.

Becky Haskitt suggested that we contact LCU and South Plains College Nursing Students to schedule the students to help with the survey.

The question was asked, "what all is involved in the survey?" The questionnaire is the main part of the survey, it contains questions about race, gender, veteran, substance abuse education and where have they been staying or sleeping.

A discussion also came up about what we are focusing on? Flyers, goody bags, special events, such as an open house, like was held at Carpenters Church, were several suggestions to involve the homeless with the survey. Is there some way to pull information from homeless as to why they are chronically homeless?

A tentative date for the survey is August 29, 2005, the last Monday of the month.

The main agenda of the grant emphasizes moving homeless persons from shelter, to transitional housing, to permanent housing and permanent supportive housing.

The CofC also includes leasing funds, so the Homeless Consortium is applying for grant money to disburse through social service agencies. Ione is very interested in funds for housing for those with disabilities.

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Bob brought up the officer elections and terms for discussion. It was suggested that elections for new officers be moved to May and newly elected officers take office in June. Also the Strategic Planning Committee should be a standing committee. Ione made the motion to move officer elections to May and extend present officers terms until May 2006. Mary G. seconded, motion carried.

- Mary Gueterslaugh, of Hope City Shalom, asked for information of what each agency helps with.
- Ione Heartsill of Lubbock Interfaith Hospitality Network invited all to annual meeting at First Christian Church, June gm, 12:00,noon.
- Russell Hafris of Life/Run said all of the CEAP funds are gone.
- Diane Hudson of The Salvation Army, announced they are no longer doing discount fare bus fares.
- Alice Whit from Texas Tech has information on poverty prevention and education materials.
- Miguel Rincon from HUD invited persons to attend satellite conference on June 8, 2005.
- The July meeting will held at The Salvation Army at 12:00, noon.

Meeting Adjourned

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