



Housing and Homelessness Coalition Meeting | Sept. 28, 2016 | 7:30-9:00 a.m.

Location: United Way of Marathon County - 705 S. 24th Ave., Suite 400 B, Wausau, WI 54401

Attendees: ANDERSON PAM (US Bank); CROOKS JEAN (Forward Services Corp); HAHN RANDY (Wisconsin Dept of Veterans Affairs); HAZUKA MICHELLE (North Central Health Care); DEACON HILTS BRYAN (Wausau Area Catholic Churches); HUBERT SHIRLEY (Catholic Charities of Diocese La Crosse); PREY JOHN (Habitat for Humanity); SARGENT JEFF (North Central Community Action Program); DOTTER MELISSA (Marathon County Health Department); ZOERN KATHI (NAOMI Transit); GAINES KATE (NAOMI); GROSKREUTZ ADAM (Center for Veterans Issues); SEIDLER CHRISTINE (North Central Health Care); SUGDEN BARBARA (Catholic Charities/Community Warming Center); CIHLAR NATHAN (Wausau Police Dept)

United Way staff: MaiGer Moua

MINUTES

Reviewed meeting minutes.

BOSCOC Board Nomination

John Prey motioned to approve Millie Rounsville nomination for Board representing the North region. Seconded by Deacon Bryan Hilts. Unanimously in favor. Motion carries.

Community Warming Center, presented by Barbara Sugden

2015-2016 season: 144 guests stayed at the Warming Center. VI-SPDAT has helped with housing chronically homeless, so far 29 individuals have been housed. Mental health/AODA continue to be barriers to obtaining and keeping housing.

New rules at the Warming Center: will no longer take people all night long including police drop offs after 9. There is the Law Enforcement Emergency Fund to provide overnight motel stay for people who are homeless who miss the intake hours and determined by Law Enforcement that a motel stay is appropriate. Those who want to stay at the Center must arrive during intake hours, 7-9pm. No alcohol will be allowed ~~and will not accept people who are inebriated~~ – **CORRECTION (per Barbara Sugden): The Warming Center will continue to accept inebriated guests, but they have to be able to take care of themselves and remain respectful.** Guests must follow rules in order to stay at the Warming Center. Barbara will be going over rules with guests. These rules are for the safety of volunteers and everyone.

Warming Center opens Nov. 1. Anyone interested in volunteering, contact Barbara Sugden at bsugden@cclse.org. Pam offered to have people shadow her Tuesday nights if interested, contact Pam at PAM.ANDERSON@usbank.com. **Change 10/26/16: Pam Anderson is retiring and will be using personal pamsanderson10@gmail.com**

30 Seconds Away – viewed trailer; film is about intersections of homelessness, mental illness, substance abuse and law enforcement in Milwaukee. It will be shown on Nov. 15 as part of HHC raising awareness about homelessness in Marathon County. <http://www.30secondsaway.com/#fp-watch>

Subcommittee Breakouts

- I. Advocacy & Awareness subcommittee – reported by Pam. planning for film showing and bus tour; goal of the events is to raise awareness about homelessness. Film is Nov. 15 and bus tour is Nov. 18. More information is forthcoming.
- II. Mental Health/AODA – reported by Christine and Michelle. Committee is working on narrowing down focus. See value in developing greater collaboration among agencies to best serve clients. Next committee meeting: review programs and service delivery.
- III. Housing Solutions – facilitated by Jeff and Shirley reported.
 - Shared information about Franciscan Hospitality program in La Crosse.
 - Heath Tappe's project – homeless services and located at 115 W. Bridge St. The program does not fill need before 3pm, but they are open to making the space available during the day if anyone is interested; Pam and Barbara will be meeting with Heath to explore this further.



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- First Presbyterian Church – Pastor is interested in opening up facility for a day center. Also First Presbyterian Church and First United Methodist Church are interested in working together to offer day center services.

Announcements

Oct. 6 – Community Corner Clubhouse annual fundraising event, 5-8pm, Rothschild Pavilion

Oct. 18 – ALICE Report presentation at Westwood Conference Center in Wausau. To register, call United Way at 715-848-2927

Dec. 3 – Transit Equity Summit in Milwaukee

Upcoming Full Coalition Meetings, 7:30-9:00am, United Way

- Wednesday, Oct. 26
- Wednesday, Nov. 16
- No December Meeting

Submitted by MaiGer Moua