

Indianhead CoC of the Homeless Quarterly Meeting  
Minutes  
January 9, 2019

Submitted by Sandy Clark

Attendance: Sandy Clark, Salvation Army-Siren, Duana Bremer-Salvation Army, Stacey Feidt-Salvation Army, Sue Skinner-Salvation Army, Josie Penberthy-ICAA-Connections, Jessica Mudgett- Taylor County Housing Authority, Connie Hanson-Rusk County, Casey Levrich-HUD VASH, Edward Martin-ICAA SSVF, and Tom Bremer-Salvation Army Barron.

Meeting at the Rice Lake Library.

Meeting was brought to order by Duana Bremer.

Introductions and status reports were given beginning with:

Edward Martin-Federal funds available for SSVF was increased to \$243,000.00 but they received nothing from the State. Currently Ed has housed 15 vets. There is also funding available to assist in vehicle repair, child care and funds for rent and deposit. They are working on some fund raising for the VORP (Vet Out Reach Program). Ed was part the outreach program that brought Christmas, including Santa, to two veteran families in December and meals for two families in November. Ed can be reached at 715-532-4222 ext. 1560.

Connie Hanson- Rusk County Lighthouse shelter-She manages two shelters that are both full at this time. The women's shelter will house 5 with children and the men's will house 4 with children.

Sandy Clark-Faith House- Full at this time. Housing programs are going well.

Josie Penberthy-ICAA Connections Store and More-We are currently reorganizing the store. Painting and restructuring the layout. We hope to have it complete by the 18<sup>th</sup> of February.

Sue Skinner-Sawyer Salvation Army-Working along with Sandy with the housing programs for that area. Shelter is currently empty but

Jessica Mudgett- Taylor County Housing Authority-Things are moving forward in with progress on the shelter The board has been assembled and they are currently working on bylaws and obtaining their 501 (C)3, still looking at 6 months to a year. I am currently working with 2 clients in the TBRA program.

Sandy Clark made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting, Connie Hanson second the motion.

Duana Bremer explained the structure of the WIBOSCOG the 2 options were discussed. To continue the same structure or change to regional representation. Bremer called for a motion for giving the group an opportunity for discussion. Sandy Clark made a motion to have local COC representation, Connie Hanson Second the motion. 11 members present, in favor to local representation the vote was unanimous.

There is \$19,000.00 in RRH funds, \$9,7000.00 in Homeless Prevention and \$60,000.00 in TBRA funding available at the time of this meeting.

It was decided that we would increase the time they can be on RRH to six months to help ensure they can maintain their housing. There have been many problems with returns or leaving the land lord with a mess. Extensions can be given based on need. For HP we can pay up to 3 months arears and forward 3 months.

TBRA is a one year program for those with AODA or Mental Health issues. Extensions can be made if need be on a case by case need.

Stacey Nordine-Fiedt was introduced to the group. She will b working with all 3 housing programs for TBRA, RRH, and HP. She will be trying to work with the DV shelters so they can be included in the count. You can reach Stacey at 715-529-0981 or at the new office in Clear Lake 715-715-263-2900.

Motion to adjourn by Sue Skinner, Seconded by Connie Hanson