

Neuse Trent Housing Alliance
December 5, 2013 at the United Way Board Room

Present:

Tharesa Lee, City of New Bern
Capt. Whitney Morton, Salvation Army
Juliet Rogers, RCS
Terry Brubaker, DSS
Amy Moldin East Carolina Behavioral Health
Teresa Hays
Tracey Shope, LANC
Patrick Flanagan, Eastern Transportation
Martha Glenn, Phoenix House
Clarence Hulsec, City of New Bern
Julian Marsh, Housing Authority
Sandy Ruger, New Bern Housing
Kim Talbot, Recovery Innovations
Clayton Gaskins, Vidant Health
Katie Jenkins, Craven Community
Belinda Barnhill, Craven Community
Sandra Phelps, United Way
Lt. Linda Godette, New Bern Police Department

Meeting called to order by Tharesa Lee and Captain Whitney Morton

1. Presenting our program was Belinda Barnhill and Katie Jenkins from Craven Community College. Both women are involved in Craven's Workforce Development Program. We spoke specifically on the Nurses Aid training and the medication program which will allow people to administer medication in adult and nursing homes. The college is expanding to both Cove City and Vanceboro which will help with the transportation problem. Ms. Barnhill explained that Craven can tailor their programs to meet specific needs that our community may face. Some scholarships are available at this time.
2. We welcomed newly appointed Director Julian Marsh to our alliance. He is busy restructuring the Housing Authority. This consists of Trent Court, Craven Terrace, and the Towers. His focus is to promote and facilitate homeownership for the residents.
3. Sandy Ruger with the Housing Authority answered many questions and dispelled myths associated with the Housing Authority. Sandy gave statistics on who is living in the apartments as well as the breakdown of income of the residents.
4. Terry Brubaker from DSS gave an update on Adult Care Home issue. We learned that more homes have not been declared an IMD facility than have been declared. People in homes who were assessed and not in compliance will have services terminated by January 1st. Individuals can appeal the process. DSS and ECBH are both monitoring the situation.
5. Captain Whitney will be the "Lead Representative" for our Regional Committee to the Balance of State Continuum of Care.

6. Theresa will go to the Greenville Housing meeting on December 1st.and report back to the committee.
7. Survey form passed to committee to allow feedback and determine direction as we study homelessness. Thank you to Teresa Hays for volunteering to put together the survey results and report to group.
8. Goals and Objectives for our group will be to develop a 10 year plan for our Craven County in dealing with homelessness crisis.

Next meeting will be January 9th, 2012 at the United Way.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliet Rogers
Secretary