
TUCSON PLANNING COUNCIL FOR THE HOMELESS

Executive Committee

August 31, 2010 Minutes

Co-chairs: Lisa Griffin and Steve Nelson

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 28, 2010, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. Sullivan Jackson Employment Center, 400 E. 26 th St.

Report to TPCCH General Meeting
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ 100,000 Home Campaign presentation and motion that TPCCH will collaborate with the 100,000 Homes Campaign by forming a work group under the Continuum of Services Committee to proceed with formulating all aspects of the collaboration.■ Presentation on Project CHALENG■ Emergency Services Committee Motion: That the Emergency Services Committee establish a workgroup (open to all TPCCH members) to conduct a feasibility study on a new approach to winter shelter programs■ Continuum of Services Committee Motion: The TPCCH General Council approves the application process for the HUD Bonus Project for new projects in Pima County as allowed in the 2010 NOFA. |
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TOPICS DISCUSSED

1. **Minutes.** Stan Hamnett moved and Sylvia Cuestas seconded that the minutes of the July meeting be approved with the correction of Lisa Griffin's affiliation and email address. **Motion passed.**
2. **2007 Housing Trust Funds.** Lori Block reported. In 2007 the Arizona Department of Economic Security Housing Trust Fund awarded a grant specifically for implementation of our area's Plan To End Homelessness. Several projects were funded. All projects except a public awareness campaign were completed during the grant period. After a bid process a contract was concluded with the firm LP&G for future public relations services; and DES approved draw down of \$9,246.59 for that purpose. Her DES contract specialist has advised spending the funds as soon as possible (by year-end if possible) for public relations. The funds should not be returned. Participants discussed how best to advance awareness of homelessness issues. Consensus was to have PTEH Committee representatives meet with LP&G to develop a proposal for presentation to the General Council.
 - **Next step.** PTEH Committee members will meet with LP&G and develop a plan for use of these funds to present to the General Council in October.
3. **Motion re: 100,000 Homes Campaign.** The 100,000 Home Campaign Exploratory Group requests to make a presentation and submits the motion that "TPCCH will collaborate with the 100,000 Homes Campaign by forming a work group under the Continuum of Services Committee to proceed with formulating all aspects of the collaboration" to General Council. Consensus was to place both on the upcoming agenda.
 - **Next step.** A 10-minute presentation and the above motion will be placed on the September 9th General Council agenda.
4. **Project CHALENG presentation.** Steve Cohen, VISN 18 housing coordinator for the Veterans Administration, asks to give a short presentation on this annual gaps analysis and community services quality survey effort, and to encourage participation. Consensus was "yes".
 - **Next steps.** A 10-minute presentation on Project CHALENG will be placed on the September 9th General Council agenda.

5. Committee Reports/requests.

- **Emergency Services Committee (ESC).** Sylvia Cuestas reported.

Letter to Executive Directors. The Emergency Services Committee (ESC) is concerned about case management effectiveness for Project Hospitality (PH) participants. They plan to send a letter to referring agencies’ executive directors to remind them that the effort is specifically for homeless men actively working on a case plan, and offer training. Consensus was that the ESC should go ahead with this plan.

Winter Shelter Alternative Proposal for 2011-2012. The ESC will continue its traditional winter shelter programs this season, and is considering a change for 2011-2012 as described in a distributed proposal. Lori explained that the proposal is for four months of continuous shelter, ongoing case management, and continued congregational involvement in a single-site program that would help homeless people move forward and accommodate families, which current congregational programs cannot do. The costs would be the same amount of money as is currently available. The alternate proposal would provide better data on measurable outcomes. Committee members would like to know whether the General Council would be in favor of such a change before proceeding with a feasibility study, and therefore bring forth the motion: “That the Emergency Services Committee establish a workgroup (open to all TPCB members) to conduct a feasibility study on a new approach to winter shelter programs”. The committee envisions the workgroup as working in teams to investigate specific aspects of the proposal; and whether the entire program could be accomplished by issuing a request for proposal to which existing shelter providers could respond. It was noted that a facility used for such a proposal might also be able to be used as a central intake site, Summer Sun site, and/or – eventually – a much needed medical respite facility for homeless individuals.

- **Next steps. a.)** The planned letter to executive directors will be included in the committee report
b.) The above ESC motion will be added to the September 9th General Council agenda.

- **Continuum of Services Committee (CoS).** The committee brings forth the motion that “The TPCB General Council approves the application process for the HUD Bonus Project for new projects in Pima County as allowed in the 2010 NOFA.”

- **Next step.** The above CoS motion will be added to the September 9th General Council agenda.

- 6. “Need Help” payment.** Participants discussed the fact that \$506.99 is due after using City of Tucson dedicated funds for reprinting of “Need Help” brochures. A total of \$2,500 was allotted for this purpose in the General Council approved budget. Consensus was that the expenditure was approved and no vote is needed.

- 7. City of Tucson/BRAC Process 2007 Notice of Interest.** Steve reminded participants that in 2007 the City of Tucson, in partnership with COPE/RISE, was awarded the Allen Hall Army Reserve Center through a Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process. COPE/RISE has withdrawn from the facility’s use. The City has inquired whether TPCB would like to take up co-use of the facility. Steve noted that he contacted the partners in TPCB’s original BRAC process proposal. They indicated that they were no longer able to participate as originally planned. He distributed the original proposals for reference.

- **Next step.** Participants will read the original proposal and follow-up with Steve by email.

- 8. Next Meeting.** Tuesday, September 28th, 3:00-4:30 p.m., Sullivan Jackson Employment Center, 400 E. 26th Street.

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Attendance

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