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# TUCSON PIMA COLLABORATION TO END HOMELESSNESS

## Plan to End Homelessness Committee

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### May 5, 2011 Minutes

Chair: Linda Kot

<b>Next Meeting:</b> Monday, May 23, 2011 – 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Location TBD
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<b>Report to General Council</b>
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| ■ 51Homes proceeding; PTEH Implementation Coordinator has resigned as of June 30 <sup>th</sup> |
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### TOPICS DISCUSSED

- 1. Minutes.** Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted by consensus. .
- 2. Update on 51Homes.** Linda Kot reported that the first person to be housed through the 51Homes campaign moved into her new home yesterday. The woman was interviewed by Linda's team and has been intermittently homeless for many years; suffers from heart disease; and has been a long-term client of several local agencies. Leslie Carlson emphasized that the 51Homes effort goes beyond merely housing vulnerable, chronically homeless individuals to introducing and encouraging adoption of the "housing first" model for ending homelessness. She noted that the City of Tucson has changed their Section 8 housing process as a result of Ron Koenig's involvement with the effort. The City had not previously made Section 8 housing accessible to homeless persons. Participants discussed that the vulnerability index used in the 51Homes effort is suitable only to medically vulnerable, chronically homeless persons, but that other tools might be used – and some are under development – to help identify and meet the most significant needs of other segments of the homeless population.

Linda noted that the local emergency shelters have begun meeting on data sharing, and are also exploring each others' intake methods, and becoming aware that using the ShelterPoint software could establish a central intake system. They discussed using data sharing to identify where beds are available in order to facilitate referrals and ensure that beds are used.
- 3. Awareness Campaign Update.** Leslie noted that the video producer was very busy in April, needs to shoot additional "B" roll video, and then edit the campaign video. She noted that the campaign video needs to be completed by the end of June. She noted that she has received a number of requests to be included in the campaign "landing page", and thinks that she should proceed.
  - **Next step.** Leslie will encourage contractors LP&G to finish the video for viewing at the June 9<sup>th</sup> General Council, and email participants the list of agencies submitting information for the landing page.
- 4. Resignation of Implementation Coordinator.** Leslie previously submitted her resignation, effective June 30<sup>th</sup>, from the PTEH Implementation Coordinator position. Pima County has decided to use the coordination funds in conjunction with the funds previously allotted to the TPCH transportation pilot program to help fund a navigator position for 51Homes.
  - **Next step.** Linda will announce the resignation at the May general Council meeting.
- 5. Committee's Future Direction.** Linda suggested that the committee present at the June General Council meeting its plan to dissolve and distribute its responsibilities regarding ending homelessness among all TPCH committees. Leslie noted that the efforts for the past four years be presented as the first phase of the effort, accompanied by a status report of what has been accomplished (especially since the February 2010 report); and a list of recommendations. Lori Block said that a written report is needed due to the great number of HEARTH-related issues that TPCH faces. Consensus was to prepare a written report.
  - **Next step.** Leslie will draft a report outline and timeline for report completion.

6. **Old Business/Next meeting.** Participants decided to move forward the next meeting date to Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 a.m., and set a tentative meeting on Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 a.m. for previewing the awareness campaign video.
- **Next step.** Leslie will cancel previous reservations and make new room reservations.
7. **Next meeting:** Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- **Next step.** Leslie will seek a room reservation and email committee members when one is made.

#### Attendance

Name		Organization	Email
Lori	Block	ICH	lori.block@ichtucson.org
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