North Brevard Coalition Of Human Services

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July 15, 2015 MINUTES

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I. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Trey Gordon, Chair

II. **OPENING PRAYER:** Jennifer Taylor

III. **INTRODUCTIONS/Welcome:** Trey Gordon, Chair

IV. **MINUTES:** June 17, 2015 were not available.

V. **FINANCE REPORT:** Mary Kofil, Treasurer: $2056.09 balance.

VI. **TASK FORCE UPDATES:**

- Foster Care- Chair, Jennifer Taylor. We are working toward a video of 3 families who have fostered. We are gathering a list of materials and resources on Foster Care.
- Homelessness/Emergency Shelter-Chair, Trey Gordon.
  - Salvation Army is working toward opening a family shelter by the end of the year. Salvation Army and 40 Days of Generosity will be the funding strategy.
  - North Brevard Charities is looking at a new shelter of individuals across from the Salvation Army
  - Tara Pagliarini is leading the Emergency Shelter Network toward organizing all shelters county-wide. Want to put into place a plan for "rapid rehousing" of homeless individuals and families.
- Job Creation/Employment- Chair, Nancy Oliver.
  - First goal was to find summer employment for teens and in conjunction with Rev. Dames several teens were employed through public and private businesses. They were provided some pre-employment etiquette training to help them adjust.
  - Next they would like to work with homeless/veterans/disabled individuals for employment. Will need On-the-job sites and networking.
  - Offered a Training for Employment, got the word out, had trainers available, but no one came. Disappointed by that will not stop them.
  - Lowe's is doing some training in August at Harry T. Moore Service Center.
  - Job Fair: Have commitments from Winn-Dixie, Walmart, Publix, Home Depot, Lowes. Date TBD.
  - Nancy attended a seminar at the Church on the Drive in Orlando learning to use SPDAT tool for triage of homeless individuals. Counties west of Titusville will be conducting a 7 day survey of the homeless using this tool. 80-85% homeless have been re-housed.
- Harry T. Moore Service Center Board- Chair Trey Gordon.
  - The City Council has agreed to offer office space to non-profits for zero cost. 3 have been leased. This is an incredible opportunity

VII. **REPORT FROM MATT BARRINGER** from City Council Meeting 7/14/15.

- Over the past 7-8 years the City Council has taken the position that homelessness is not an issue they will take on. Last night they voted to open this topic up and have placed it on the legislative agenda. This is a "Big Deal". Matt is asking that the Homeless/Emergency Shelter Task Force and NBCHS support the upcoming Public Forum and become engaged and vocal with support!

- Social Service funding was cut 100% in the past and the recent decision to offer to non-profits office space for zero cost is vital. Please take advantage of this opportunity.

VIII. AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS: ***(Please submit your flyers and brochures for scanning and emailing)***

- **Many announcements were provided, see attached scanned handouts.**

IX. PASS THE HAT – $44.25

X. CLOSING PRAYER- Trey Gordon

XI. NEXT MEETING-

- **Executive:** 1st Friday, August 7, 2015, Sunrise Bakery, 8:30am.
- **General:** 3rd Wednesday, August 19, 2015, at Harry T. Moore Service Center, Titusville, 10 am.