



**October Regional Housing Team Meeting
Southwest Region Nine
October 1, 2009**

(Handouts: Homeless Awareness Day, Columbia PHC Results, Resource Sheet)

In Attendance: Diane Beveridge-OACAC, Alan Catron-Christian Associates of Table Rock Lake, Kandy Loehr-OACAC, Max Lytle-Developmental Connections, Nancy Masner-OACAC, Tami Neal-Church Army Branson, Michelle Reinmiller-VA, Carol Ward-Probation and Parole, Edwin Cooper-DMH, Steve Baughan-Church Army Branson, Christopher Welch-Taney/Stone County Census, Heather Manley-Burrell, Brooke Lewis-Southwest Center for Independent Living.

GCEH Update

Upcoming SOAR training in Region 9 areas – Heather will send out an eblast.

Re-Entry committee is collecting data on placement and homelessness when reentering society after incarceration.

Review of Homeless Awareness Day handouts including Hearth Act Workshops, booth space available for agencies to provide information on what they are doing in their community and the poster contest.

Review of Project Homeless Connect Outcomes handout. Heather announced the 2010 Project Homeless Connect will be held in Branson/Taney County, Missouri. Christopher Welch added a community meeting is scheduled on this event October 27, 2009. They will be looking for twenty people or so to be on the Community Action Committee. Heather also stated the goal of the GCEH is for every community to host a Project Homeless Connect Day.

COC Update

NOFA was released September 25, 2009.

Mandatory training is scheduled October 21, 2009. This training is for new projects and for agencies that did not renew last year in the E-Snaps. Due date for HUD grant applications or renewal is October 30, 2009.

Point In Time Count Update

Winter PITC is scheduled for January 27, 2010.

Sheltered count numbers from the 2009 PITC are complete and can be found on MASW's website. A report of sheltered and unsheltered numbers will be handed out at the December meeting. There were over 900 unsheltered surveys collected.

HMIS

Anyone collecting HPRP funds will be required to input data into HMIS.

MHTF

If you have applied for 2010 MHTF you must be able to enter data in HMIS by April 1, 2010. No funding will be allocated until agencies are set up to enter data in HMIS. Heather also stated if an agency has applied for Housing Trust Fund monies they may not call MHDC between the dates of 12/11/09 and 12/18/09. She also reported 15.2 million was requested but only 3.6 million will be available.

Resource sheet was reviewed.

OACAC reported they have energy assistance funds for persons 65 and older or for persons with disabilities.

Burrell Center is acquiring birth certificates for clients for \$5.00.

Christopher Welch reported on the 2010 Census – They have kicked off the Campaign Committee Awareness and are starting a poster and essay contest in the school districts.

Veterans Health Systems reported that the Veterans Clinic in Branson opened. Capital grant and Per Diem Only training in New Orleans October 19 and 20.

Christian Associates was awarded HPRP funds and is now accepting applications for assistance in Branson. Phone #417-334-5866.

Edwin Cooper spoke about Department of Mental Health working with Church Army Branson on the Shelter Plus Care Program.

Church Army Branson's Single Mom's Program is underway, 3rd Annual Auction is October 3rd, Frances Rittenhouse Learning Center is enrolling Pre-School and Afterschool Children. Their one year transitional housing program has commenced thirty men and women so far in 2009.

Next RHTM will be held at Church Army Branson November 30, 2009 at 9:00am.