

One Roof Membership Meeting Minutes - Thursday, June 6, 2013 YWCA 2:00 PM

I. Welcome/Roundtable Introductions & Attendance

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| AIDS Alabama: Charity Laister | Aletheia House: Melinda Sledge |
| Changed Lives Christian Center: Cindy Underwood, Brandon Lackey | Children's Aid Society: Patricia Johnson |
| Church of the Reconciler/GLOVE: Kay Davis | Committee to Protect the Homeless: Rodney Cole |
| Disability Rights & Resources: Mike Norris | Family Connection/Project Hope: Marilyn Jones |
| Firehouse Shelter: Anne Wright | First Light: Ruth Crosby, April Graham |
| HOATD Foundation: Yvette Carter | JBS Mental Health: Robin McCarty, Drew Hill |
| Jefferson County: Felicia Smith | Jefferson County Housing Authority: Solonia Mack, Alexis Parker |
| One Roof: Michelle Farley, Keyana Lewis, Valerie Bouriche, Nathan Salter | Pathways: Deisha Rosser |
| SafeHouse of Shelby County: Dotti Bailey | Salvation Army: Larry Dancy |
| Shelby Emergency Assistance: Hettie Wagner | The Foundry: Dana Chavers |
| UAB Community Psychiatry: Harry Findley | United Way: Courtney Newton |
| Veterans Affairs: Rick DeFilippo | Whole Again Unity Org.: David Mintz |
| Youth Towers: Alice Westery | YWCA: Jennifer Clarke |
| Jefferson County DHR: Ty Evans, Takiyah Alexander | Birmingham Urban League: Bernard Lockhart |
| Tri County Treatment Center: Shawndrika Cook | |

II. Special Presentation:

- a. **Urban Youth Empowerment Program** Speaker: Bernard Lockhart, Birmingham Urban League
 - i. Presentation Handouts (PDF): UYEP NOW Brochure
 - ii. Urban Youth Empowerment Program is a National Urban League and Dept of Labor program
 - 1. Targets juvenile offenders (ages 14-24) who have had court involvement in the past year; must live in Jefferson County
 - 2. Program helps participants gain GED or High School diploma, increase soft and hard skills, and achieve behavioral change; bus tokens are provided to assist with transportation to program
 - 3. Youth can self-refer or come by parole officer referral
 - 4. Must take a 30 minute locator test – must be at 5th or 6th grade level to participate
 - 5. Stipends and paid internships are part of the program (stipends are tied to achievement of certain benchmarks)
 - iii. BUL is looking for people who are willing to serve as mentors for this program
- b. **Tri County Treatment Center** Speaker: Shawndrika Cook
 - i. Presentation Handouts (PDF): TCTC Brochure, TCTC Packet
 - ii. Tri County Treatment Center is a methadone treatment center consisting of outpatient daily dosing based on phases
 - 1. TCTC assesses to see if a person qualifies; must be 18+ years old, addicted to opiates; intake is a 4 hour process
 - 2. TCTC provides Methadone in liquid form and Suboxone in pill form

3. Many myths out there about the side effects of methadone treatment; treatment focuses on replacing the routine of heroin use with the methadone tx and support groups
4. Methadone costs \$15/day (free for Medicaid enrollees); Suboxone is \$175/week
5. If a client cannot pay and does not qualify for Medicaid, they are recommended to go through a detox center

III. Old business

- a. Nominating Committee – Member Representative to the One Roof Board of Directors
 - i. Committee consisted of Melinda Sledge (Aletheia House), Larry Dancy (Salvation Army), and Michelle Farley
 - ii. Looking for a member representative who will move the CoC forward
 1. Nominated Larry Dancy because he has been in the CoC for about a year and still can see the CoC from an outsider's perspective, comes from a foster care background, can build a better relationship between foster care system and CoC to help in discharge planning; Salvation Army represents faith-based organizations, which will help to keep those lines of communication open
 2. Majority vote by show of hands in favor of Larry Dancy filling role of Member Representative to the One Roof Board of Directors
- b. CoC Grantees Meeting on June 12 is open to anybody
 - i. Agency's with CoC grant must send an administrator; direct questions to Michelle
- c. PHC Work Groups
 - i. Employment, transportation, spiritual, mainstream benefits
 - ii. If anybody is interested, contact Valerie Bouriche

IV. Agency Updates

- a. Magic City Chocolate Challenge – few restaurants making their favorite chocolate recipes
 - i. Cantina, June 27, \$5 tickets, sign up online
- b. Firehouse
 - i. Benefit Luncheon with Ozzie Newsome, June 21st
 - ii. Dining for Dads – Father's Day week
 - iii. Openings at CDM Apartments – Men, Permanent Housing, \$265/month plus utilities, apartment mate, located behind BJCC
- c. JBS
 - i. Looking to hire 3-4 peer specialists to do street outreach, must be formerly homeless with an SMI, could have a hx of substance abuse (not actively enrolled in JBS's program other than S+C)
- d. The Foundry
 - i. Shop at the thrift store – now located in old Sears building on Aaron Arinov Drive
- e. Salvation Army
 - i. Tours available – call 205-328-5656 to set up tour, talk to Larry Dancy
- f. Whole Again Unity Organization
 - i. Setting up policies & procedures
- g. Church of the Reconciler

- i. Getting ready for annual fundraising banquet; looking for silent auction items; \$50/ticket or \$400/table
 - ii. Thank you for sending clients to receive haircuts – 200 haircuts done that day; one person was employed directly after receiving haircut
- h. Youth Towers
 - i. Spot zoning and gathering support from neighborhood
 - ii. June 13, Children’s Policy Council and others will release video showing homelessness, shaken baby syndrome, education, etc at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens at a community mixer; DVDs will be available for distribution
- i. Veterans Affairs
 - i. Getting more money to serve veterans
 - ii. Veterans should always go to VA to learn what services they may qualify for
 - iii. Vet Center exists to help veterans and their families with readjustment counseling, employment, and housing
- j. Pathways
 - i. Fiscally Fit classes beginning – contact Jennifer Holmberg
 - ii. Clay shooting fundraiser being held in August
- k. SafeHouse of Shelby County
 - i. New interim ED; new development plans in the pipeline
- l. Committee to Protect the Homeless
 - i. Just opened day care and summer camp through Repairers of the Break ministry for youth 4-17 years who are at risk of homelessness; contact Rodney Cole; they will provide transportation
- m. Department of Human Resources
 - i. DHR JOBS program: main goal is to find paid employment; want places to do volunteer work or community service for a 1-6 month placement; call or email Ty Evans or Takiyah Alexander if your agency is interested
- n. Changed Lives Christian Center
 - i. Free medical clinic - 4th Tuesday of each month; 6-8pm.; no ID or referral required; bring prescriptions and they will fill a 30 day supply; case managers can contact Cindy Underwood ahead of time if there is a specific prescription need
 - ii. Transitional Housing is at 80% capacity; open beds!; men, no anti-psychotic medications, no mental or physical disabilities; must be able to gain/maintain employment; rent is 50% of net income upto \$130/week
 - iii. Golf fundraiser – more info to come
- o. UAB REACT
 - i. Looking for psychiatric social worker and RN
 - ii. Always looking for chronically homeless, SMI referrals for permanent housing
- p. Hope House
 - i. Both fundraisers were successful
 - ii. Street Outreach position is filled
- q. JCHA
 - i. Going through interviews for new director
- r. AIDS Alabama
 - i. Red Hot for the Cause Casino Night is upcoming – more info later