

Shelter Provider Network Minutes from March 14, 2007

Attendees:

Rita Castro-Hawkins, Family Supportive Housing; Nancy Noel, Julia Burkhead, InnVision; Alison Dougherty, Santa Clara Adult Education; Charlotte Pizzo, community member; Lynn Morrison, Bill Wilson Center; Michelle Ogburn, Community Technology Alliance; Debbie Silva, DADS; Norma Orozco, Arlette Musallem, Silicon Valley Independent Living Center; Tara Chua, Community Services Agency Mountain View; Denise, Nicole, Support Network for Battered Women; Rebecca Garcia, City of San José

Announcements

Family Supportive Housing – Looking for a Volunteer Coordinator

InnVision –

- Opportunity Center, still working on start-up issues.
- Women and Family services, free HIV testing Wednesday mornings at Georgia Travis Center. Bus tokens offered to get back for results. McDonald's gift certificate will be given with test result.
- Wednesday mornings Work to Future Mobil will be at Georgia Travis Center. Need to send clients to have this service continue, 9:30-12:30.
- All drop-in centers will be using swipe cards by end of March.
- Produce market is still happening. 200 "shoppers" last month. A nutritionist will be available this month during the lunch hour. Also the family harvest program. Need to have 100 applications before this can begin. Hope to start by May. Fourth Thursday is sign-up.
- Parenting Classes Fridays at 9:30.

Santa Clara Adult Ed – Record attendance in classes. Program is having budget difficulties keeping pace with the needs. Many clients are getting good jobs, moving into permanent housing. Find people are taking advantage of the resources available in the county.

Bill Wilson –

- There was a time during the winter that application process was slow, many vacancies. Now transitional housing is full and there is a waiting list. Seeing many referrals from Juvenile Hall, but the youth are not actually interested in Transitional Housing.
- 80 beds will soon be available for kids aging out of foster care. Program includes some host families as well as scattered site housing. Plan to have it full by June 30th.

EHC LifeBuilders – Cold Weather shelters will close 3/31.

Silicon Valley Independent Living Center –

- There is a new intake process. Now conducting intake in person, not over the phone. Intake workshops are scheduled for both San José and Gilroy office. Contact Norma for

more information. Must have a disability, but includes the full range of disabilities. For substance abuse, must be in a program or graduated from a program.

- Also provides assistance with eviction notices for consumers with developmental or physical disability.
- SVILC is looking for yarn donations.

Community Services Agency, Mountain View – Alpha Omega. Empty Bowls fundraiser is scheduled for April 22, 2007, 4:00 - 6:00 PM. Local potters donate bowls for sale with proceeds benefiting Community Services Agency. More information at: <http://csacares.org/>

Support Network for Battered Women – Now offering services for male victims.

City of San José –

- There is a new Homeless Coordinator, Jessica Scheiner.
- Project Homeless Connect is scheduled for Thursday, May 17th from 10:00 am. to 3:00 pm. at the Parkside Hall.
- There is a new project that coordinates housing and job training. This is two-year program.

Minutes approved as submitted

Old Business

Training –

- March- Case Management client file documentation. March 22, 1:45 – 3:15
- April –
- May – Pandemic Flu
- June – CPR
- Looking into offering First Aid along with CPR

HMIS –

- Sacred Heart Community Service is now fully implemented on HMIS.
- Monthly End User Trainings are scheduled for the second and fourth Thursday of each month from 9AM – 1PM. Contact
- User Group meets first Thursday of each month from 11:30-1:30. Contact michelle@ctagroup.org for more information.

Shelter Review Committee

- Bill Wilson Center scheduled for 3/28
- Next up Markham Plaza
- Montgomery Street Inn and City Team will round out the year.

Finance Committee - \$1137 balance. Video bill for \$220 and revenue of \$175 from trainings.

Homeless Count – No information due until April

New Business

Funding

McKinney-Vento Grant was announced this week. Details to follow.

Carson Bill in the House and Reid Bill in the Senate offering services for prevention programs.

Pandemic Flu – There will be a training at the end of the month. Margaret Gregg will provide details.

Next Meeting

April 11th, 9:30-11:00AM

Silicon Valley Independent Living Center

7800 Arroyo Circle, Suite A

Gilroy, CA 95020