

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES-GENERAL BODY MEETING**  
**Denton County Homeless Coalition General Body Meeting – August 6, 2014**  
**MCL Grand Theater-100 N. Charles St. Lewisville, TX**

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**Call to Order:** Sharell Clay – HOPE, Inc. - Secretary –Steering Committee

Also introduced The Homeless Network guests: Sophia Checa and Eric Samuels

**Committee Reports**

**HMIS – Roshaun Epperson**

- All is going okay. Working with Jesus of The Homeless Network (THN). Need HMIS applications.
  - Point-In-Time (PIT) Explained PIT to the committee. The homeless count will occur the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of January.

**Homelessness Prevention – Sharell Clay – lead, and Danielle Shaw**

- Have some funds to assist with rental deposits
- Restart 10/01/14 for one year (ESG) funds
  1. Homelessness prevention
  2. Rapid Rehousing
  3. Emergency Shelters
  4. Administrative Support
  5. HMIS database
- **CCA**
  1. Have ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) funding available, about \$20,000, will be used to pay rent to prevent homelessness.
  2. Must meet qualifications
- **Denton Affordable Housing – Sheila Harper**
  1. Four bedroom home available for lease for \$800/mo.
  2. Will accept referrals
- **Denton County FOF – Ray Ann Climer**
  1. Introduced Connie Schmidt to the group.

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- **Salvation Army – Brenda Jackson-Denton**
  1. Reopened
  2. Closed for one month, remodeling and other issues
  3. 23 people were in motels
  4. Still served dinner each night
  5. Christmas in September
- **Salvation Army-Shelagh – Lewisville**
  1. Shower program
  2. Help with employment opportunities
  3. School clothing available
  4. Christmas assist program starts 8/25/14.
- **MHMR Connections – Lisa High**
  1. Currently no openings
  2. Taking applications
  3. Can stay at Salvation Army in interim
- **VA Services – Chris Martin**
  1. Need help with count of veterans
  2. Sharell indicates funds are available via Catholic Charities
  3. LaTiffany Coleman will be in Denton
    1. Salvation Army by appointment
    2. Our Daily Bread, Thursday of each week
- **Habitat for Humanity – Sandra Monclova**
  1. Need qualified candidates for Pilot Point area
- **Membership Committee-Leslie Wisenbaker**
  1. Adding one or two people
  2. Applications are available
- **Street Outreach Committee - Liz Buford**
  1. Reaching out to homeless to help with needs based on their immediate situation
  2. First and third Thursday each month at Emily Fowler Library 81m-12pm.
  3. Handing out socks, sewing kits, bug spray, sunscreen, clothes
  4. Like the DCHC on Facebook to increase awareness

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- **CoC – Dr. Alonzo Peterson**
  1. Funding opportunities
  2. Balance of State grants, 2 agencies in Denton County
- **Bridging the Gap – Brenda Jackson**
  1. Inform churches and agencies together
  2. Denton Faith Alliance involved.
  3. Had meeting: what is offered?, who to refer to?, 70 people attended
  4. Meet again in October
  5. New email address: [echinfo@gmail.com](mailto:echinfo@gmail.com)
- **CAN-Sophia Checa**
  1. Four Agencies participating
  2. Looking into diversion training for entry points
- **Funding Information Network –Eric Samuels**
  1. Eric presented types of funding available and how to get the funding. Government Grants, Foundations, Categories of funding
  2. Will send out the power point presentation to attendees
  3. Training is mostly free via webinars
  4. Foundation directory on-line
  5. Diane Wahl, 940-891-6897 demonstrated the web-site
  6. Can make an appointment with Diane
  7. Libraries available 8am-6pm
  8. Program started in February 2014.

**Agency Networking Announcements & New Business**

- Serve Denton – Heather Quinn, Director of Operations
  - Rotary House, Health Services of NT, Family shelter, 70% complete, will give anyone a tour.
  - Releasing RFP to agencies to get someone to run the Rotary House
    - Single mothers with children
    - The agency will set the program.
    - Non profits to bring in food to families
    - Door separates the clinic and the shelter
    - Open end of October 2014
    - Space for community police officer, not stationed there, but, can come in to write reports
    - Community kitchen – will begin as catering kitchen

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- Communication
  - Social Media, Facebook, Website
- FOF
  - Collecting school supplies
- Interfaith – Brittni
  - School Supplies
- Denton Community Health Clinic – Alice Masciarelli
  - Fundraiser scheduled for October 17, 2014
  - Patch Adams - luncheon
  - Skeet Shoot
  - Gala – Patch Adams (joy and laughter)
- Cookin' with Grace – Craig and Jennifer Brandon
  - Feeding 200-250 homeless in Dallas and Ft. Worth.
  - Moving to Denton to do same
  - Check out their website
- VA Services – Chris Martin
  - Next meeting 8/13 at Reserve Center in Denton
  - Focus on employment
  - Linked-In Group and website
- CCA
  - New store opening 8/16/14
- Denton County Health Dept. – Jennifer/Doris
  - Presentation on charitable clinics coalition
  - 8/22/14, next meeting in the boardroom, 12-1:30pm
  - 9/17/14, Sleep out – no tents, to promote homeless awareness

**Adjourned:**

**Next General Body Meeting: October 1, 2014 - 3:00pm**, City of Denton Civic Center, 321 E. McKinney, Denton, TX