

Pueblo Continuum of Care Meeting  
May 17, 2016 10:00am  
Sister Nancy Crafton-Facilitator  
Barbara Wellman-Recorder



**Pueblo County Sheriff's Office**  
**Emergency Services Center**  
101 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St  
Pueblo, CO 81003

- I. **Updates and Introductions:** If your agency has extensive updates consider emailing them to [stattelman@yahoo.com](mailto:stattelman@yahoo.com) or [Anne.Stattelman@posadapueblo.org](mailto:Anne.Stattelman@posadapueblo.org) prior to the meeting so that all the information is entered correctly in the minutes.
- II. **Minutes from April 2016: (any corrections/additions)**
- III. **Continuum of Care:**
  - A) Grant Update
  - B) NOFA
- IV. **Pueblo Issues**
  - A) Salvation Army Change in Leadership
  - B) Nonprofit Coalition Building
  - C) Continued Data Collection
  - D) Upcoming Events/Picnic and Memorial Combined
  - E) Date for Upcoming Homeless Stand Down
- V. **Other Business**
- VI. **Adjourn no later than 11:30am**

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Members Present:

Sister Nancy Crafton-Centro de Los Pobres, Mary Joy Kogovsek, Barbara Wellman, Paula Trujillo, LaTanya Yarbrough, Sal Katz, Jr. and Anne Stattelmann – Posada, Mike Ometer, Ben Strand - Rocky Mountain Human Services, Barbara Ripperger – King of King Church Melissa Hobkirk – Liver Health Connection, Marisol Stewart – ADRC/211, Krystal Batt – PCHC, Kathleen McCainst – St. Mary Corwin/Dorcy Cancer Clinic, Nancy Auedomdo - Parole,  
Melissa Bernsein – SCAP, Edie Delatorie – COOP, Fred Patterson – COOP, Corinna Carcellero – DSS APS, Nancy Hall – Red Cross, Kristin Toombs – DOLA, Leslie Montoya – SSA, James Shanks – SSA

Sister Nancy Crafton-Centro de Los Pobres, states that they have spent \$413,000 medical bills for uninsured clients over the last 3yrs.

Kristin Toombs - Homeless Program Manager, Colorado Department of Local Affairs, makes her first visit to our Continuum of care meeting. Welcome. Her programs over sees home modifications for disabled individuals, vouchers, section 8 housing. Programs include rental assistance, ESG Grants, Rapid Rehousing (funds flowing through CCH), Homeless prevention fund, among others. She is working with the Governor to increase permanent housing and is willing to assist with landlord communication. In instances where housing is not readily available, she might be able to increase the amount of time vouchers are active, if a client cannot find housing.

Nancy Hall - Red Cross volunteer, works on the disaster response team. they respond to fires, provide temporary immediate care, providing victims of disasters with a Master Card, the amount is based on how much the person or family has lost. There is a formula applied per person. Nancy needs connects with agencies that have resources available for homeless victims

Edie Delatorie Director - Cooperative Care, has seen 173 new families from out of state since February 24. They have come from as far away as Australia, looking for any assistance from any agency, as they come here with no resources.

Sal Katz Posada Homeless Outreach, is working on collaboration with law enforcement, and first responders regarding homeless camps, Camps Cleanup, and looking for Grants to try to accomplish goals. He has been going to the camps establishing contacts with homeless people, and is looking for medical personnel to provide outreach.

Marie McCane - St Mary Corwin St. Mary Corwin is hosting a Cancer Survivor Party 4:00 -6:00 PM in honor of National Cancer survivor day on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Upcoming event Woman's expo @ state fairgrounds 10x10 booth will have information, from 2:00 to 2:45 P.M. regarding genetic counseling. They saw 108 individuals at the Head, Neck, and Throat screening, more than double from last year. Only a handful of patients have anomalies. Most people are in need of dental care.

Kristen Caster reports that people are having trouble getting responses from Medicaid on many fronts, including durable medical equipment and long term care assistance. Often, there is no response. There are life and death situations which are not being addressed. If you are having issues, contact Kristen. She has been told Medicaid not interested in consensus building, is interested in evidence based medicine. This inaction will probably be presenting a class action suit to the Attorney General.

Kristen has been invited to work on a panel for housing. One issue that they are addressing is that there are different definitions for service animals in housing and public accommodation. A bill in the legislature, which is still alive, will introduce legal repercussions for misrepresenting pets as service animals.

Tobias Martinez – Community Recourse Specialist at Lucero Library, recently started working at the Lucero Library. His is a new position to provide outreach services to the at risk community. Welcome Tobias.

Chris Business Development Representative Inovage, provides services for individuals 55 and older, with disabilities. This includes transportation, Rx, primary care, etc. He is reaching out to the community to see if they can help to provide resources.

Kathy Kline – Salvation Army, reports that they provide meals 7 days per week @ 4:00 P.M. Monday through Saturday, and @ 1:00 P.M., and have a food pantry 12:00 – 2:00 P.M. Mondays and Thursdays, and clothing available every day. They have a cooking class on Wednesdays, and are gearing up for Kid's Camp this summer, sign up will be next month. Warming shelter has closed. Utility assistance is open 1:00-3:00 P. M. for applications Tuesday and Wednesday, case management under a program, Pass way for hope. The building on Prairie Avenue is in progress, will be a community center, for family and kids, hoping to be open in the fall.

Nancy Auedondo - Parole Reports that she is focusing on trying to get some transitional housing for offenders. She is having trouble finding landlords who are willing to house her clients, especially sexual offenders. She works with Parolee individual only, as this population needs time to get on their feet.

Anne – Posada, Please email announcements to Anne so that we are able to include them in the minutes. Pueblo is still experiencing 1600 utility shutoffs per quarter, at the hands of Black Hills Energy. This number has been steady, and only half get turned back on. Flooding the PUC with complaints will illuminate the problems we are experiencing here, and how severe the situation is. Ada Clark has been working hard to put together stats for our community, so if you have any numbers, please get them to us. The Housing Authority reported that from 2014 through 2015, there has been 84% increase of applications for assistance from out of state.

Melissa Bernsein – SCAP, Their annual fundraising this event is this Saturday, the Red Ribbon Ball in Colorado Springs.

Krystal Batt – PCHC reports that they now have a permanent medical provider Lynn Lebya . Hours are 8:30 – 12:00 Monday – Friday, and have a full staff at Grand Ave.

Barbara Ripperger – King of King Church Members of the Church are putting together baby welcome packages, and plan to deliver them this week.

James Shanks - SSI is having a difficult time contacting homeless clients with SSI. If they can't contact you, your funding gets cut off. If a check is sent back, you get cut off. He would like to see the use of a master list to use internally to contact clients. Direct number to SSI here. LaTanya Yorborough reports that the SSI phone system is a problem if you are trying to reach specific individual. SSI offices share a phone system, so you might be trying to reach someone in Pueblo, and end up talking to someone in Grand Junction, depending on who is available to answer the phone at the time of the call. Please let clients know to present their issue to whomever they reach as best they can, because their representative will get the message, and their concerns can be addressed. It would be helpful to have an Intake Form that collects as much information as possible to help identify homeless, and how to contact them if needed. Release of information from clients is required before we share information.

Steve Bundy VASH provides 116 Section Homeless Vouchers which are currently all taken.

Gail Berdovich - Colorado Legal Services, Phone number is 545-6708 ext 444, this will take to an intake person, Legal advice and representation is available to clients, the priority is eviction.

Mariso Stewart – ADRC/211, reports that Black Hills shutoffs continue to affect her clients.

Ebony - Pueblo Community Health Center. In the past, PCHC has written off the 20% deductible for Medicare, but beginning May 2, clients will be billed the deductible. Clients who are reliant on only Medicare for income will not be assessed this fee.

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 A. M.