

**Continuum of Care Homeless Provider Forum  
November 1, 2012 Meeting Minutes**

**Karen Williams, OC Partnership to End Homelessness**

**Point in Time**

**We need Map Area Testers!** The first big volunteer opportunity to help out – and “be in the field” -- is to be a map area tester. SAY YES today to being a Map Area Tester! During this flexible three week period, you will be going out in groups between November 19<sup>th</sup> and December 7<sup>th</sup>. And then SIGN-UP for Map Area Tester Training at one of our two “training open houses” where you can drop by The Village at 17<sup>th</sup>, Conference Center, Suite 100 for a ½ hour training session: Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> between 12:30-4:30 OR Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> between 12:30-4:30 Let us know which session you’d like to attend by contacting [info@pointintimeoc.org](mailto:info@pointintimeoc.org).

**If you are a SuperNOFA-funded agency, you are REQUIRED to provide two Point-in-Time volunteers for the homeless count, which will take place on Saturday, January 26, 2013.** You must provide two staff members or volunteers, but not homeless clients at this point. Those will be recruited later. To sign up, please go to <http://www.pointintimeoc.org/> and click on Volunteer Application. NOTE: You and any volunteers who sign up on behalf of your agency **MUST** put your agency’s name as the organization (even if they don’t work for you) for you to get credit.

**SuperNOFA**

The SuperNOFA LOI Exhibit 1 was due Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> by noon. Exhibit 2 is due on November 15<sup>th</sup> and the HMIS Reports are due on November 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Homeless Provider Forum**

The next Homeless Provider Forum will be taking place on December 6, 2012 “Annual Planning Meeting” 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 am Covenant Presbyterian Church, St. Andrew’s Hall, 1855 Orange-Olive Road, Orange. Two co-chairpersons are elected each year to guide the activities of the monthly Homeless Provider Forum meetings. At least one of the co-chairpersons must be a service provider. Please visit the display table to review the 2013 nomination form for a list of responsibilities and select a nomination to present at the December planning meeting. You can nominate yourself.

Please visit our online survey <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3NPVW89> which asks you to evaluate the 2012’s Homeless Provider Forum. We take this opportunity to review the accomplishments of the Forum over the past year and to identify those areas that deserve focus in 2013. In an effort to most effectively facilitate future meetings/classes we are asking you to provide your input. Please complete the survey as soon as possible.

As we have done in the past, we’ll kick off the holiday season and celebrate all of your efforts over the past year with our annual holiday potluck. If you choose to participate in the potluck, please make sure to provide an item for the event

**Upcoming meetings**

Point in Time Advisory Council Meeting on November 30, 2012 from 9:30-11am. Covenant Presbyterian Church, St. Andrew’s Hall, 1855 Orange-Olive Road, Orange. To view the map, please visit <http://g.co/maps/rq3kx>. Representatives from the shelters, faith based community, local city governments, agencies that provide street outreach, agencies that serve special subpopulations, and supportive service agencies that serve “a significant number of clients that otherwise would not get counted” are especially encouraged to participate.

Please note the monthly Implementation Group meetings are being placed on hold as we prepare for the Point in Time Count & Survey, which will be taking place in January 2013. Your participation is highly valued and we encourage you to join us.

**REMINDER: Attendance of the Point in Time Advisory Council, the Implementation Group, Homeless Provider Forum, HMIS Users meetings are included in the ranking for SuperNOFA grants.**

### **Dayann Shepherd, 2-1-1 Orange County**

**2-1-1 Orange County's DATABASE IS NOW ON-LINE!** Thanks to the 2-1-1 California Partnership receiving a California Emergency Technology Fund grant, twenty two 2-1-1 call centers in California were assisted in receiving database software development and integration. As a beneficiary of this great endeavor, your 2-1-1 Orange County now has a public facing portal. This enhanced version of our database will allow service providers to easily review their records to ensure all information is accurate and up-to-date as well as allow anyone with internet access to easily search for resources. Check us out: [2-1-1 Orange County Resource Database](#)

### **Shelter Information & Openings**

Sun Fair/Feria Del Sol FREE! Health Expo Sunday, November 4, 2012 from 9-3pm at Saddleback Memorial Hospital, San Clemente Campus Location (654 Camino de Los Mares) – Vision Exam & Glasses; Medical Treatment; Flu Vaccines; Cholesterol & Glucose Checks and More! For more information, please contact [expo@ifhomeless.org](mailto:expo@ifhomeless.org) or call 949-544-4625. Please feel free to share with those who can benefit from this service.

NeighborWorks Orange County partners with Mission Hospital for the Wednesday, November 7th Foreclosure Prevention, Registration at 4:30 p.m. Workshop from 5 to 8 p.m. – They have room available for it and this is the kind of thing that could help people from going down the path of homelessness. People who live or work in South Orange County can attend the no-cost Home Preservation Workshop on November 7<sup>th</sup> or the Spanish Homebuyer Workshops in December. Follow-up counseling can be provided either in South Orange County or in their Anaheim office. Please spread the word with everyone. This event will be taking place at Norman P. Murray Community & Senior Center, 24932 Veterans Way, Mission Viejo, CA 92692. No charge to the public.

<http://www.eventbrite.com/org/2335056775?s=10630952>

The Bascom Group, LLC has partnered with Veterans First to kick-off Veteran's Day weekend with a Veteran's Luncheon 'Thank You for Your Service' Friday, November 9, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Bascom Group will be providing a meal honoring Orange County's veterans at the Veterans First Service Center, located at 1540 E. Edinger Ave. in Santa Ana, Calif. Veterans will be treated to a luncheon provided by the Tustin Roadhouse of Orange County, CA. Employees of The Bascom Group will be volunteering their time to serve and prepare a tasty meal for our veterans as a symbol of their appreciation to individuals who dedicated their lives to serving our nation, as well as the families that stood by them. For more information call 714-547-0615 or visit [www.veteransfirstoc.org](http://www.veteransfirstoc.org).

Salvation Army is now a men's only shelter, men can line up starting at 3pm and if they have a bed they will do a lottery drawing at 3:30pm for any open beds. Intake is at 4pm and they can stay for 14 nights. Everyone must be in the shelter by 5pm and out the next morning at 7:30am. If someone cannot make it here by 3:30pm they can come later to see if there are any openings but it is best to be here by 3:30pm. 818 E. Third St., Santa Ana CA 92701

NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group on Saturdays is now held at the new Wellness Center location, 401 S. Tustin Street in Orange, 92866, and the Wednesday night group discontinued some time ago. For more information people can call (714) 544-8488 or go to the NAMI OC website <http://namioc.org/>.

WISEPlace serves ESG Services for Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing – One-time Rental Assistance and/or Security Deposit as well as Case Management. WISEPlace serves single women and single women with children residing only in the City of Santa Ana. Contact 714-542-3577 extension 120 for more information.

WISEPlace transitional program has openings for single women whom are employed or immediately employable; 90 days drug and alcohol free; and 18 years old and older. Intakes are on a walk-in basis on Wednesdays from 9-11:30am at the 1411 Sycamore, Santa Ana. Their fee is currently \$75 a week. Call Demona Barlow at 714-542-3577 ext. 117.

American Family Housing has 3 openings in Jackson for single Male/Female with employment; 5 openings in emergency shelter, with a few Haven openings also for single male/female that have experience substance abuse/mental illness. Please call as AFH will not accept walk ins. Call 714.897.3221 for a pre-screen – Arlyne ext. 104, Aileen ext. 105 for transitional; Tom ext. 128 and Ralph ext. 121 for emergency; Kay ext. 117 for Haven and Sara at ext. 120 for affordable housing.

Below are OCCHC's current vacancies. If you have someone who may be qualified, please contact Kathy at 714-558-8161 ext. 15 or 714-656-6673. Families must also be able to show that they have an income at about 2x the rental amount or have a Section 8 voucher. Equal Housing Opportunity

Unit:	Market Rent	#Bedroom	#Bath	Sec 8?	Ready	
930 Vista, Placentia	1400	3	1	yes	11/1/2012	W/D in unit, upstairs, 2 balconies, large walk in closet, close to schools
920 Vista, Placentia	1450	3	1	yes	12/1/2012	W/D in unit, upstairs, 2 balconies, large walk in closet, close to schools
14024 Buena, Garden Grove	1425	3	1	yes	11/15/2012	upstairs unit, 2 balconies, large walk in closet, close to schools, community center and shopping
25942 Domingo, Capistrano Beach	1500	3	1	yes	11/1/2012	upstairs unit, 2 balconies, large walk in closet, near beach/harbor and shopping
25942 Domingo, Capistrano Beach	1500	3	1	yes	11/15/2012	upstairs unit, 2 balconies, large walk in closet, near beach/harbor and shopping
14024 Buena, Garden Grove	1425	3	1	yes	11/15/2012	downstairs unit, 2 patios, large walk in closet, close to schools, community center and shopping
17372 Keelson, Huntington Beach	1200	3	1	yes	12/1/2012	downstairs unit, large walk in closet, close to schools, community center and shopping
14041 Buena, Garden Grove	1200	2	1	yes	12/15/2012	upstairs unit, balcony, close to schools, community center and shopping

Families must qualify below 80% area median income for their family size:

- 2 persons: below \$61,650
- 3 persons: below \$69,350
- 4 persons: below \$77,050
- 5 persons: below \$83,250
- 6 persons: below \$89,400
- 7 persons: below \$95,550
- 8 persons: below \$101,750

The California Rx Card is a FREE statewide prescription assistance program. It provides discounts of up to 75% on both brand, and generic medications. It can be used at any major chain pharmacy, and it's open to everyone. Please visit <http://www.californiarxcard.com/index.php> to learn more.

Beverly's House is now accepting purses for their Joanie's Purse Project. For more information, please contact Bern Dunlap at 714-271-4599.

Casa Youth Shelter has 8 openings for boys or girls ages 12-17 years.

Casa Youth Shelter Welcomes You to Their "Home For The Holidays" Open House Wednesday, December 12, 2012 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at 10911 Reagan St., Los Alamitos, CA 90720 – Tour the Shelter; Network with Community Service Providers; Share Your Resource Materials. Light snacks will be provided. For more information, please call (562) 594-6825 or visit [www.casayouthshelter.org](http://www.casayouthshelter.org).

Grandma's House of Hope Rapid Rehousing program for single women with ties to the City of Garden Grove

Grandma's House of Hope (GHH) has two openings in their Healing House for a single woman with a significant medical challenge. In particular this is a good fit for homeless women with a diagnosis of breast cancer or any subsequent returning cancer. No income necessary. Stage one to Stage 4 and terminal cases accepted. Hospice can be provided on site. This is an active healing program, and clients are expected to do as much as they are able with consideration for their health restrictions. Medications (including pain meds) are allowed. No contagious diseases - this is a germ free environment. This is a Transitional Housing Program (with limited emergency beds) that offers group and individual counseling, case management, workforce development, wardrobe assistance, food, internet and cable access, bible studies (voluntary) and most importantly; a safe place full of the promise of healing and hope. Please refer your clients to GHH at (714) 558-8600 to set up an intake phone interview.

Safe Families for Children Hotline 800-550-CHILD ext.1234 – No cost to families; Children 0-18 years; any length of time and no loss of parental rights. This program is for parents dealing with homelessness; no job; jail time; drug addiction; sickness; hospital stays or other crisis.

Bikes Build Futures has moved online to <http://bikesbuildfutures.com/>.

Build Futures to meet their need for immediate access to resource information at no cost has developed an online resource that can be searched by category and/or city. Please visit <http://www.buildfutures.org/resources>. They do their best to keep this as current and accurate as possible, but due to resource constraints as an all-volunteer, grassroots organization there will be information that needs to be updated or modified. Please help them by sending any changes, modifications, deletions or questions to [Kathy@BuildFutures.org](mailto:Kathy@BuildFutures.org). They also have some resource information on their website for Social security, social services under resources.

Recover Your Sense of Personal Power Workshop - A Free Stress Management Workshop Tuesdays 9am-10am or 5pm-6pm – Recover Your Sense of Personal Power Workshop aims to help you change your reactions to stress so that you may function better physically and mentally. Objectives: help participants identify stressors in different settings and around different individuals; give participants the option of how to minimize stressors when you can't eliminate them and participants will learn mindfulness. Mindfulness is about bringing yourself into the present moment. Orange County Asian & Pacific Islander Community Alliance (OCAPICA), 12900 Garden Grove Blvd., Suite 214, Garden Grove, 92843 To RSVP or for more information please call Ye Lee at (714) 262-9095 ext. 248. Referrals and Resources Provided.

Homeless Providers Group Bike Ride – Come ride bicycles, have fun, and get some exercise on a relaxed group bike ride with fellow Non-Profit Homeless / Safety-Net providers! Group meets at 3pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at Hart Park in Orange behind the stands of the large baseball field at the East end of the park just before the trail begins. ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME AND SAFETY STANDARDS WILL BE RECOGNIZED. Dig out your bike and helmet and RSVP (or call with questions) with David Gillanders from Project Hope Alliance – [david@projecthopealliance.org](mailto:david@projecthopealliance.org) – 714-796-8737.

The Public Law Center is now offering limited free general civil legal services, expungement/dismissal assistance, discharge upgrade and more to US Veterans. Please contact Antoinette Balta, Esq., LLM, for more information at [abalta@publiclawcenter.org](mailto:abalta@publiclawcenter.org) or 714.541.1010.

Working Wardrobes launch a new program called VetNet, a Safety Net for Veterans – VetNet will operate on several levels, including professional job training and career services specific to Veterans' needs and job placement. Their focus is on the transitioning Veteran or one at risk of becoming homeless, as well as the reintegrating or recovering Veteran, regardless of gender. In June, they found out they were awarded their first ever federal grant, through the Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program. This grant was written specifically for our VetNet Career Success program. That means every single dollar is allocated to staff and program costs in order for them to serve 100 homeless veterans in one year. Please visit [www.workingwardrobes.org](http://www.workingwardrobes.org) for more information on VetNet and find ways you, too, can help serve our Veterans.

Seeking Safety through OCHCA currently has three open groups:

- REACH, located at 1725 W 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Ana, 92706, Suite149B. This group is every Wednesday at 10am.
- Someone Cares Soup Kitchen located at 720 W. 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Costa Mesa. This group meets every Monday from 11-12pm.
- Net-Works located at 303 Broadway, Suite 107, Laguna Beach. This group meets every Tuesday from 2:30-3:30pm.

All three groups are open to the community and are always accepting new participants. For further information, please contact Robin Keeble [rkeeble@ochca.com](mailto:rkeeble@ochca.com) or Ruby Navarro [runavarro@ochca.com](mailto:runavarro@ochca.com) phone 714-834-8776 or 714-720-1147. They will also be offering case management to individuals in Seeking Safety. Case management is open to anyone identifying as homeless or at-risk of homelessness 18 yrs. old and above in OC. This will be provided by Rachael Ferraiolo [rferraiolo@ochca.com](mailto:rferraiolo@ochca.com) phone 714-834-7913.

### **Featured Topic: Medical/Health Resources for the Homeless**

Robin Keeble, Orange County Health Care Agency

Robin provided an overview of Mental Health First Aid as well as a listing of medical and dental referral resources, which can be found at <https://www.yousendit.com/download/WUJhU2VpOC9KV04zZU1UQw>.

Paul Leon, Illumination Foundation

Paul shared information on How the Affordable Health Act (AHA) impacts homeless individuals and Orange County as well as how medical clinics, housing and mental health services impact homeless individuals.

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December 6, 2012 from 9:00am – 11:00am  
Covenant Presbyterian Church, St. Andrew's Hall, 1855 Orange Olive Road, Orange 92865**

**Topic: Annual Planning Meeting  
Refreshments: Potluck – sign-ups starting in November  
E-mail Announcements by noon on Wednesday, December 5, 2012  
to Sharon McKeag Ash at [ocp-coordinator@ocpartnership.net](mailto:ocp-coordinator@ocpartnership.net)**