

**Homeless Provider Forum  
December 2, 2010  
Meeting Minutes**

**Dawn Lee, OC Partnership**

**OC Partnership 2010 Agency Partner Spotlight**

OC Partnership offers an Agency Partner Spotlight opportunity on our website to organizations that serve homeless or at risk residents of Orange County. The intent is to publicize local service providers and other stakeholder organizations to help them communicate their programs. Our website gets about 6,000 hit a month and exists as an informational resource. We are in the process of selecting agencies to be profiled for the months of 2011. We also maintain a listing of local agencies as an informational resource and if you'd like to include a link to your website please let us know. Please contact Sharon McKeag Ash at [coordinator@ocpartnership.net](mailto:coordinator@ocpartnership.net) or (714) 288-4007 ext. 1116 for further information.

**HUD Extends HPRP APR Deadline**

HUD announced today that because they were not able to publish the APR Report Generation Tool in the timeframe originally anticipated, they have extended the deadline for submission of the first HPRP Annual Performance Report (APR) to Wednesday, January 19, 2011. HPRP sub grantees should work with their funded city to determine how the extension impacts their due dates to the cities.

**Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR)**

OC Partnership is in the process of submitting Orange County's shelter data to HUD for inclusion in their 2010 AHAR report. If you have not entered all of your clients into CMIS for the time from beginning October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 please do so immediately. The County will be following up with any agencies that are reporting bed utilization rates less than 70% in CMIS.

**CMIS Updates**

Please make sure that all of your agency's client information is fully included in CMIS as we prepare for the end of the year. Your agency's information will be included in the 2010 Homeless and At Risk Indicator Report and our goal is to ensure that the data accurately reflects the numbers actually served in your programs.

CMIS will be used for shelter count validation in the Point In Time Homeless Count. Participating agencies are required to ensure that data on all clients being served on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 is entered into CMIS on that date.

The CMIS team will attend a demo of the new HMIS software (AESHmis Version 5) to be released by our current vendor, Adsystem. Depending on timing, it may be necessary to begin upgrade to the new version in the next quarter. Discussion of a move to another software vendor is still in progress, but the details are still being worked out and the move may not occur prior to the Adsystem software upgrade

**Lorraine Krisak, OC Partnership**

**“Hot Spot” & “Cold Spot” Identification**

- Need to determine the most homeless-populated tracts
- Accuracy of identification ensures your sub-populations are included
- Focus on areas of the highest relative concentration of homelessness
- Keep in mind count is at daybreak on a Saturday morning – Jan. 22 2011
- Identify “cold spots”, where the homeless population is never found
- On-line form and printable version available at [www.pointintimeoc.org](http://www.pointintimeoc.org)

**Volunteers**

- Over 300 volunteers will be needed for counting individuals and families on the street and in sheltered facilities
- SHP funded providers MUST provide at least 2 volunteers.
- We are requesting volunteers from all service providers.

### **Opportunities for Homeless Workers**

- Survey Interviewers receive \$5.00 per survey
- Census workers receive \$10.00 for training and \$10.00 per hour
- Choose volunteers that you are sure are responsible enough to attend training and be at the deployment centers at 5am.
- Volunteers should be honest and know the streets to give direction to where the unsheltered homeless are.
- Start thinking about homeless workers that would be a good choice.
- Recruitment will be in early January
- More information to follow shortly

My contact information will be included on the minutes and my business cards are on the table with the flyers. Lorraine Krisak, 714-288-4007 ext. 1121 or [lorraine.krisak@ocpartnership.net](mailto:lorraine.krisak@ocpartnership.net)

### **Shelter Information & Openings**

Serving People in Need (SPIN) - GAPP Housing program is a 12 month case management program for homeless families that are in need of permanent housing. They have immediate openings for the month of December. Clients must be employed, and have children under the age of 18. They now have Homeless Prevention HPRP funding for the city of Costa Mesa. If you have any questions, you can contact Serving People in Need (SPIN) directly at 714-751-1101 and speak with a case manager; Katie Hook ext. 15, or Michelle Delacio ext. 20.

Orange County Capacity Building Program Funding Opportunity – If you are an Orange County faith-based or community organization serving low-income individuals in Anaheim, Buena Park, Fullerton, Garden Grove, La Habra, Santa Ana, Stanton, or Westminster, you are invited to apply for a grant provided by the Orange County Capacity Building Program. The OCCBP is designed to provide, and to organizations seeking to support economic recovery issues, including helping low-income individuals: secure employment; increase their ability to earn higher wages and obtain better quality jobs and gain greater access to state and federal benefits and tax credits. Key dates: Oct. 19, 2010 Applications and instructions will be available on CONNECT's website; Nov. 9, 2010 Applicant Conference; Dec. 10, 2010 Applications due no later than 5 p.m. at Orangewood Children's Foundation (1575 E. 17th Street in Santa Ana) and Jan. 4, 2011 Awards announced. Questions please contact: Program Manager, April Alvarez (714) 704-8206 or [AAlvarez@CONNECToc.net](mailto:AAlvarez@CONNECToc.net). For more information: [www.CONNECToc.net/OCCBP.asp](http://www.CONNECToc.net/OCCBP.asp)

The Teen Project will be holding a Chrismakah party for homeless teens between the ages of 17-24. At this present time we have a very limited amount of spaces available.

The Teen Project target teens that are between the ages of 17-24 that are currently homeless or in need of resources and they are at the Someone Cares Soup Kitchen in Costa Mesa every Friday from 1:30-3:30pm offering resources.

Precious Life Shelter has 3 openings in their emergency shelter and one opening from a referral from case manager of another transitional program for the 2nd Step. They must be working to enter and afford to move in and they still contact Melissa at 562 431 3356.

Veterans First has Christmas trees available for veterans. Please contact Beau for further information.

**Next Homeless Provider Forum is scheduled for  
January 6, 2011 from 9:00 am – 11:30 am  
Sisters of Saint Joseph Campus Auditorium \* 480 S. Batavia \* Orange, CA 92868  
Topic: Achieving Agency Sustainability/Funding Strategies  
Refreshments: Illumination Foundation and Bethany  
\*E-mail Announcements by noon on Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>  
to Sharon McKeag Ash at [coordinator@ocpartnership.net](mailto:coordinator@ocpartnership.net)**