

## **10-YEAR PLAN TO END CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS**

### **Management Advisory Team Meeting Minutes**

**August 7, 2008 ▪ 10:30 A.M. ▪ Pitt County Development Services Conference room**

Committee Members Present: Stephen Smith, Bob Thompson, Ruth Peebles, James Rhodes, Sandra Anderson, Amy Modlin, Reverend Albert Shuler, Paulette White

Committee Members Absent: Lori Jones, Margaret Dixon, Lynne James, Georgia Claxton

The MAT reviewed and accepted the July 31 meeting minutes.

### **MAT Meeting Schedule**

The MAT will meet on **Wednesday, August 13** (not Thursday, August 14).

### **Presentations to Public Officials**

Presentations to Farmville and Bethel public officials and to the Pitt Resource Center went well. The goals, outcomes strategies document was distributed and written feedback was requested.

Bob distributed the 10-Year Plan Power Point presentation to the Redevelopment Commission.

The schedule of presentations is as follows:

- Greenville City Council – August 11 @ 7 p.m. – Ruth, Bob, Stephen, Sandra
- Town of Winterville – August 11 @ 7 p.m. – Paulette, Lynne
- Grimesland - August 12 @ 6:30 p.m. – Bob, James
- Greater Greenville Community Foundation August 21 @ 12:15 - James, Paulette, Bob
- Town of Ayden – August 25 – Bob and other presenter (to be identified)
- Grifton - meeting date to be confirmed
- presentations to the United Way of Pitt County and the Pitt County Memorial Hospital Foundation to be confirmed
- Faith community – Reverend Shuler will host luncheon with pastors and key lay persons – date to be determined

Public Hearings will be held on September 11 @ 6 p.m. (City Council) and September 22 @ 6 p.m. (County Commissioners Board). MAT members (staff) and co-chairs will take the lead on the public hearing presentations.

The MAT will seek letters of support from public officials and request input regarding the 10-Year Plan. Letters to the mayors of each municipality will be distributed. Letters will be personalized and will specifically come from the individual (s) making the presentation. The clerk of each municipality will receive a draft of the plan or link to the Journey Home website for distribution.

## 10-Year Plan Revisions

Ruth presented the most recent revisions to the plan. The MAT approved of revisions presented and made a few additional suggestions/revisions.

The “final” version of the draft plan will be distributed and posted on the website on August 11.

Several of the suggested revisions are as follows:

- Levels of education should be included in the “Face of Homelessness” section.
- One issue to be addressed is the percentage of shelter residents who are from Pitt County and the percentage of homeless individuals who come from other communities.
- Add national statistics. (Given the current economy and housing crisis the number of homelessness is like to increase even though there are reports that there has been a decrease in homelessness)
- Add quote from Philip Mangano and quote from HUD.
- The homeless should not be described as deviants; personalize the face of homelessness.

## Unveiling of the 10-Year Plan

The tentative date for the unveiling of the plan is **Wednesday, November 12**. Martha Are and representatives from all 10-Year Plan communities in North Carolina will be invited. The MAT agreed that only local representatives should present during the event. The individuals who were invited to the kick-off will be invited to the unveiling.

### Action Steps:

#### 1. Ruth:

- make “final” revisions to 10-Year Plan before distribution to the public by Aug. 8
- provide Sandra with handouts by Friday, August 22

#### 2. Paulette:

- add contact information and website address to Power Point presentation
- gather information regarding the number of shelter residents who are from Pitt County and the number from outside the County
- provide Ruth with a list of individuals for which photographs should be included in the 10-Year Plan, i.e. the Mayor, County Commissioners Chair, Co-chairs etc. and work to secure photographs
- draft a letter to mayors requesting their support
- contact the United Way of Pitt County and the Pitt Memorial Hospital Foundation (Stephanie Hinnant) to request a presentation

3. Engda:

- update the presentation schedule
- review the Journey Home website and ensure that links are corrected
- finalize resource list

4. Sandra:

- ensure that the City of Greenville has a link to the Journey Home website
- ask Steve Hawley if photographs to be included in the 10-Year Plan are available
- send Ruth the list of 10-Year Plan distribution sites
- ensure that the plan is distributed from the Community Development office

5. Reverend Shuler:

- determine potential date (s) for luncheon with pastors and key lay persons; connect with Anne Bonner-Stewart

6. James:

- speak with the County Manager about any issues that the Board of Commissioners have raised regarding the 10-Year Plan

8. ALL MAT members:

- provide Ruth with final revisions before distributing plan to general public by 5 p.m. Thursday, August 7

**Next MAT meeting: Wednesday, August 13, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. – 12 noon at  
Pitt County Development Services Building**