



Partnering the five northern counties of Idaho to create a community where homelessness is a rarity or at an end.

**R1HC General Meeting**  
**Tuesday Feb.17, 2015 @ 12:00PM**  
**1428 N. 1<sup>st</sup> St**  
**Minutes**

**In Attendance:** Cindy Wood, Mike Nash, Keri Stark, Shelly Zollman, John Bruning, Matt Hutchinson, James Curb, Brenda Hamilton, Justine McAllister, Katie Coker

**WELCOME**

**Cindy Wood**

**Open meeting and approve January minutes:**

**Cindy Wood**

Motion to approve minutes: Matt Hutchinson

Second: Mike Nash

Motion passed

**PIT debrief: Matt Hutchinson**

- Multiple volunteers & contractors backed out
  - Hundreds of missed surveys (est. 25%)
  - Issues w/Bonner Co. (TIPS), Benewah (tribe), SSVF
- Why important/what is incentive?
  - HUD uses numbers to prioritize money to regions
  - How to translate that to participants? How to improve reach?
  - Who benefits? → HUD-funded recipients
  - It's about new monies
- Jennifer Otto—present PIT to group in May
- HUD emphasis currently is to decrease chronically homeless (vet and other)

**Crisis Center lobbying status: Cindy Wood/John Bruning**

- Where does Coalition fit in and what is our coordinated strategy
- Local Rep. Luke Malek—in favor
- Legislature may wait 1 year to fund next center, see how Idaho Falls center goes
- Write letters! To editor, to legislatures, etc.
  - Developing template/petition to make it as easy as possible
  - Survey Monkey?
- Support/encouragement from Joyce Broadsword (regional DHW)

- Stats for cost of “system” (jail, ER) to compare costs
  - Todd Tondee
- Region 1 Behavioral Health Board? Corinne Johnson?
  - Mike Nash contact
- Players: chief of police, CEO of KH, Joyce Broadsword, mayor, commissioners, ambulance/EMT, fire dept.
  - Benefits these players the most; must have their commitment and their voice in the narrative

**Resource Directory: Keri Stark/Shelly Zollman**

- Updates!
- Eventually, merge online/print version to expedite/improve accuracy of info, minimize duplication

**Affordable housing updates:**

- SVDP 100% capacity; Transitional 6-month wait list; HPRR funding—make referrals (but difficulty finding people who are within income limits but can still be sustainable)
- SD 271: 200-300 students identified as homeless, vast majority doubled up
  - 29% of families=single-parent
- Family Promise full
- NIVPC full

**Support and resources forum**

- (The purpose of this time is to bring client needs/issues to the group to find solutions)
- NIVPC can offer DV/sexual assault counseling and support even to individuals who are not in shelter; have liaison at SVDP Help Center
- SD 271: Health GPS events—promote health, wellness, safety, basic needs; target neighborhoods via schools & churches; vehicle to provide resources and knowledge and develop relationships within neighborhoods
  - Quarterly: next event in May around Mother’s Day (spa day)

Next meeting:  
Tuesday, March 17, 2015 @ 12:00