



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

**H&W Building, 1120 Ironwood Dr.
Tuesday April 15, 2014 @ 12:00PM
Idaho Department of Health and Welfare**

Minutes

In Attendance: John Albee, John Bruning, James Curb, Brenda Hamilton, Matt Hutchinson, Bill Malloy, Ami Manning, Mike Nash, Laurie Taylor, Sherri Westweet, Shelly Zollman, Keri Stark, Eric Swanbeck, Patty McGruder

WELCOME John Bruning

Open Meeting and Approve March Minutes John Bruning

Motion to approve March 2014 minutes: Mike Nash
Second: Matt Hutchinson

Vote on updated by-laws John Bruning

Motion to approve updated by-laws: James Curb
Second: John Albee

Keri Stark nominated for and accepted position of R1HC Secretary

Jennifer Otto from IHFA will present PIT count at May's meeting

- Preliminary data shows ~20% increase
 - Increased people assisting, decrease in HPRR funding

Presentation: Eric Swanbeck, Veterans Stand Down

- Purpose: outreach/connect veterans with resources
- May 10, Kootenai County Fairgrounds
- Doors open 7:00 AM
- Brunch served, Kootenai Coffee/Starbucks providing coffee
- 40+ service providers, including veterinarian services, haircuts, bicycle services, temp agencies, VA, American Legion, NAMI, Heritage, etc.
- Increased funding & sponsors
- Differs from 1-2 day national events: year-round support e.g. financial assistance, clothing, etc.

Affordable Housing updates

John Bruning & Ami Manning

- IHFA quarterly meeting April 17, 9:30 AM @ Templin's
- SVDP THC –1-2 month waiting list for families; Angel Arms 6 month waiting list.
- SVDP Veterans housing – Full. Start with Tiffany at VA for application process.
- SVDP LIH – All units are full.
- SVDP Shelter – Both shelters are full.
- Trinity – All 32 rooms are full.

Agency Updates 12:30 - 1:00

- NI Family magazine—Accepting editorials for spring issue (events, programs, fundraisers, etc.); deadline April 24th (-ish)
- City of CDA Entitlement program—Waiting on approval of annual action plan from HUD; once approved can advertise for community grants program, estimated \$100,000—non-homeless, special needs
- Heritage Health—increase transient homeless population through summer; decrease in supply → impact on year-round local homeless population; providers screen carefully
- Lakeland Headstart – Family Celebration April 17.
- SVDP – upcoming Stand Down, Steak Fry, ICare Child Abuse Prevention Month; shelters, THC full; Fresh Start part of SVdP as of April 1
- Union Gospel Mission—waiting list til July
- CDA schools—significant increase in transportation costs for homeless children, esp. kindergarten/1st grade; projected \$50,000 in bus costs alone; working with prosecuting attorney, Dep. Ed., HW to create plan; share trans. costs with neighboring districts; partner with Christ the King and other community churches re: attendance campaign → provide outreach to truant children, churches adopt neighborhood school to meet emergency needs
- Day of Hope—Sept. 6 → present @ R1HC June/July?
- VA—directive instating housing moratorium for non-medical eligible vets rescinded but still cannot assist dishonorably discharged
- Trinity Group Homes—wait list down (semi-independent housing)
- IHFA—42-43 month wait list for section 8; Shoshone Co. 2-3 month waiting list for 1-br apartments; veteran screening included in IHFA application; potential outreach with SSVF, VASH, to identify eligible vets for other services

Good of the order:

June is a voting month, taking nominations for Co-Chair

Adjourn Meeting 1:00