

## November 8, 2018 Meeting Agenda

**Welcome and Introductions:** Dina called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm. New members in attendance were: Beverly Vanderhorst (VA Healthcare); Kellie Bogolin (The Cornerstone); Tina Kosman (The Cornerstone); Felicia Alexander (PA Health & Wellness)

Since the Housing & Homeless Coalition welcomes ideas, opinions, and knowledge from a broad spectrum of partners, meetings are open to the public and new members are always welcomed. Meetings take place the  $2^{nd}$  Thursday of every month at 1:30 pm in the CYS Conference Room.

October Meeting Minutes: No changes or edits noted.

Archived Coalition Meeting Minutes are available at www.bccan.org and www.bchmis.info

### 1. OPEN DISCUSSION

**Stephanie Magnifico (MHA)** announced that MHA will be hosting a Thanksgiving Dinner – no reservation required. She also noted that the Christmas Party is scheduled for December 13<sup>th</sup> from 6-8:30pm at Faith Community United Methodist Church (341 Jefferson Street Rochester, PA). Call MHA by Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> to register at 724.775.4165. See flyer for more info.

**Natalie Meade (Early Headstart)** announced that they are still hiring both for full time and part time positions. For more information visit, <a href="http://privateindustrycouncil.com/job-openings/">http://privateindustrycouncil.com/job-openings/</a>

Rebecca Salopak (Housing Authority of Beaver County/Christian Assembly) announced the annual Free Christmas Dinner at Beaver Falls High School. Dinner and gifts will be provided. *All are welcome!* See attached flyer for more information. She also noted that they are still in need of volunteers (you can do a 1.5 hour shifts) and donations such as hygiene products, toys, gift cards, and new clothing (scarves, gloves socks, etc). Donated items do not need to be wrapped. Monetary donations are appreciated as well. They are also in need of information on supportive services and resources. Darcy will be collecting the information and you can bring it to the Dec meeting to give to her. Please help spread the word by posting the attached flyer. Questions can be directed to 724.846.3751.

**Dawn Bartha (Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency)** reported that they have received 150 Home4Good applications. She also reported that tax credit applications are due next week and thus far they have about 30 applications. Finally she announced that the PA Housing Search website (a free service to locate affordable housing throughout the state) has been relaunched. Trainings on the new website

The mission of the Housing and Homeless Coalition of Beaver County is to provide support, direction, and collaboration in effectively addressing the issues of homelessness and affordable, sustainable housing in Beaver County by identifying and utilizing all available resources.



can be requested at:

http://www.socialserve.com/SendEmail.html?ch=PA&type=Trainings

Herb Bailey (Church Army USA) reported that a coalition of churches in conjunction with Geneva College have created a street pastor position to minister to people who are homeless in Beaver Falls. He informed us that he was selected to fill the position. He states that the position is 15 hours a week and he expects to be doing outreach on Monday afternoons, Tuesday evenings, and Fridays during the day. He will be looking to train volunteers to assist him in this work. The best way to reach him is on his cell which is 615.973.8787. See attached flyer for more information.

**Marie Timpano (The Cornerstone)** thanked everyone for their support of The Cornerstone's fund raiser. She reports it was a success and that they made 5,000 contacts on social media!

She also introduced the new Outreach Coordinator, Kellie Bogolin. Kellie is available to respond throughout the county to any people who are living without shelter. She is working to make contacts in each community. Kellie brings previous experience working with people who are homeless and has hit the ground running. Kellie and Herb will also coordinate their efforts in Beaver Falls.

Marie also introduced TCBC's new Administrative Coordinator, Tina Kosman. She is learning about all of the resources and she is already efficiently running the front desk!

Finally, Marie reported that the new building for The Cornerstone has been approved by the zoning board and so the official closing on the building is scheduled for Dec.  $20^{th}$ .

**Beverly Vanderholst (VA Healthcare for Homeless Veterans)** reports that the VA offers several programs for homeless veterans including community services, medical, mental health, addiction, and housing services. She reports that they also have Social Workers who can do outreach as well. See attached brochure for more information.

**Judy Ventresca (Crossroads Shelter)** reported that Crossroads has been running at near full capacity most nights. She stated that they are focusing on connecting the guests to permanent housing and noted the Cornerstone as helping several men get housing recently. She also handed out a list of current needs at the Shelter. Rebecca noted that tCrossroads needed 3 new cots and they received enough support to purchase 10! Please see attached flyer for a list of these needs and information about where to take the items.



**Kevin Huwe (Self Determination Housing Project)** noted that the SDHP conference went really well and stated that Dina did a great job presenting. Dina stated it's easy to talk about such dedicated partners and strong programs. She stated that the conference was informative and that folks should consider attending next year if they can.

**Felicia Alexander (PA Health & Wellness)** reported that PA Health & Wellness supports with nursing home transitions providing up to \$5,000 to help with rent, security deposit, and home goods. She reports that they are often looking for affordable housing options for their customers.

**Herb Bailey (Church Army USA)** asked if there are homeless prevention resources in the County. Dina explained the prevention programs available through HAP, ESG, and SSVF and stated that these programs can be accessed through The Cornerstone (724.846.6400).

**Dina Ciabattoni (Continuum of Care Coordinator)** alerted everyone to the list in their packets of free Thanksgiving Meals available throughout the county.

### 2. AGENDA

### The Cornerstone's Outreach Position

Marie Timpano

See Marie's comments above. Kellie noted that she is available to respond to homeless situations in the community and that she is hitting various agencies to make sure they have up to date information on our resources. Kellie can be reached at 724.846.6400 ext 30.

### **December Outreach Event**

### Dina Ciabattoni

Dina announced that there will be an outreach event in conjunction with the medical residents from Heritage Valley Health System on December 7th. She noted that experienced outreach volunteers are needed as well donations of hygiene products, non-perishable food items, and hats and gloves. See attached flyer for more information. Interested folks should attend the planning meeting scheduled for November 29th at 1:30pm at the Cornerstone. Questions can be directed to Renee Speaker or Dina Ciabattoni at 724.846.6400. Marla, community advocate, stated that she would help with the event and that she has already purchased some supplies on Amazon Prime Warehouse where you can get goods at a fraction of the cost.



### **Homeless Memorial**

### Dina Ciabattoni

Dina announced the save the date for the Homeless Persons Memorial Day – December 20th at 5:00pm. She states this is a day acknowledged by CoCs throughout the nation to recognize people who died without adequate shelter. She reports that the location has not been selected yet but wanted to make sure that folks had the date saved. There will be a planning meeting for this special event on November 19th at 10 am at The Cornerstone. Please share the attached flyer widely. All are welcome! And please forward any names of people you know who passed away while living outside to <a href="mailto:ciabattonidina@gmail.com">ciabattonidina@gmail.com</a> We want to ensure we have an inclusive list to honor everyone.

UPDATE: The Homeless Persons Memorial will be held at Uncommon Grounds located at 380 Franklin Avenue Aliquippa, PA 15001

## **Bed Availability**

### Dina Ciabattoni

Dina passed out the bed availability chart. See attached. She reminded folks to call the programs and/or access Coordinated Entry for current census information.

## NEXT MEETING: December 13, 2018

### SAVE THE DATES

11/19/18 Homeless Memorial Planning Meeting at 10 am in The Cornerstone Conference Room located at 1217 7th Ave, 2nd floor, Beaver Falls

11/29/18 Outreach Planning Meeting at 1:30 at the Cornerstone 1217 7th Ave, 2nd Floor Beaver Falls

12/7/18 Outreach Event Donations and volunteers needed. Contact hackspeaker@comcast.net

12/20/18 Beaver County Homeless Memorial at 5:00 pm in Beaver Falls - location to be determined.

**12/25/18 Free Christmas Dinner** from 11:30 am to 3 pm at Beaver Falls High School. Donations and volunteers still needed. Call 724.846.3751 for more information.

FYI – *The PA Dept. of Drug & Alcohol Program has established a 24 hour, 7 days/week hotline* for those seeking D&A treatment services. The phone number is 1.800.662.4357.

If you didn't sign-in, please do so. Thank you!

# Housing and Homeless Coalition of Beaver County

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Rochester Salvation Army	

## Mental Health Association Annual Christmas Party Wednesday, December 12th 6pm to 8:30pm

At Faith Community United Methodist Church 341 Jefferson Street, Rochester



Call the MHA at 724-775-4165 by December 10th to register



## DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE 25th ANNIVERSARY FREE CHRISTMAS DINNER

Held on:

Tuesday, December 25 11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

at

Beaver Falls High School 1701 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue

♥Hosted byChristian AssemblyCARE Outreach Ministry(724) 846-3751

What is needed? Hygiene products, blankets, <u>NEW</u> items of clothing such as scarves, gloves, sweats, socks and hats, etc. ...they do not need to be wrapped. Also, monetary gifts are greatly appreciated to purchase whatever is not received. Last year, over 1,300 people spent the day with us and enjoyed a wonderful meal and a great time of fellowship. Please help us to continue this wonderful outreach! Hope to see YOU!

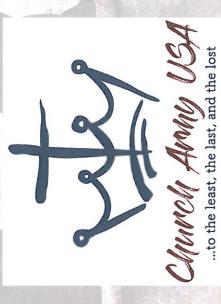


Working to reach the least of these (Matthew 25) in the community of Beaver County. Walking alongside the homeless and bringing the Gospel of Christ to them. Reaching them and sharing the love of God through words and actions.

Seeking to spend time with the homeless in Beaver Falls in order to learn specific needs in the community, share the Gospel, pray with people, build relationships, provide helpful services, create pathways of connections, and bridge the gap.

Reverend Captain Herb
Bailey
Captain of the Church Army USA
Executive Director of
Uncommon Grounds Cafe
Street Pastor in Beaver Falls

615-973-8787 hbailey@churcharmyusa.org



## No Veteran should ever be homeless.



Health Care for Homeless Veterans (HCHV) is your connection to:

- » Health Care
- » Housing
- » Veterans Benefits
- » Employment Services
- » Criminal Justice Outreach
- » Post-Incarceration Reentry









## CONTACTS

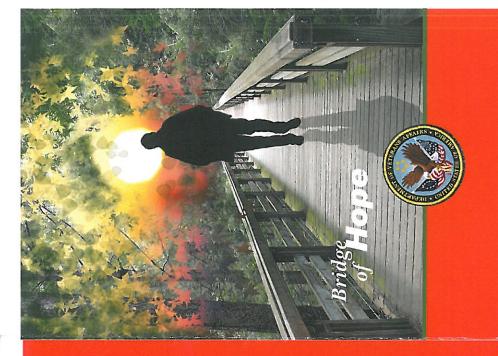
The National Homeless Veterans Hotline 1-877-424-3838

Homeless Veterans Hotline Local (VA Pittsburgh) 412-328-0697 Health Care for Homeless Veterans VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System Pittsburgh, PA 15215 1010 Delafield Road H.J. Heinz Campus

Toll free: 1-866-4VA-PITT (1-866-482-7488)412-822-1272 ext. 22-1272 www.pittsburgh.va.gov



HCHV—Community Based Care Service



VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System

## HEALTH CARE for HOMELESS VETERANS

A bridge of hope connecting homeless Veterans with VA and community services.

## health, addiction and community services for medical, mental Homeless Veterans housing services. bridge to VA and program is your Health Care for



and independent functioning. maintain the highest levels of health, social well-being Referrals from community We help you achieve and agencies are welcome.

## PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

## **Health Care Services**

practitioners assess and refer Veterans to VA primary care or mental health By appointment or walk-in. Nurse services, if necessary.

## **Outreach Services**

community services, advocacy and resources. Initial assessment and referral to VA and Outreach sites include:

- » Veterans Leadership Rainbow Kitchen, » Shepherd's Heart » St. Joseph House » Pleasant Valley of Hospitality Homestead Program Shelter (McKees Rocks/Stowe » Jubilee Soup Kitchen Focus On Renewal. » East End Shelter Lawrenceville Intersection, McKeesport ownship Goodwill,
  - Veterans Place Service Center » Wellspring Operation Safety Net New Horizons, Bellevue
- Greater Wheeling Coalition for the Homeless Orr Compassionate Care Center

## Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO)

VJO helps criminal-justice involved Veterans readjustment and adherence to treatment. with community services that support obtain VA health care and placement 412-822-1409 | 412-822-1410.

## Incarcerated Reentry

Pre-release assessments, reentry planning, successful community reentry for Veterans coordination of services to ensure post-release referrals, linkage and ncarcerated in county facilities. 412-822-1275 | 412-398-6600

## Walk-In Clinic

Closed federal holidays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

1010 Delafield Road | Pittsburgh, PA 15125 Veterans Recovery Center | Building 69 H.J. Heinz campus 412-328-0697

## Housing Services Case Management

fransitional and permanent housing for Veterans capable of independent living; VA Pittsburgh provides medical and mental health care.

nomeless Veterans with mental health, Per diem placement is available to medical or substance abuse issues but able to live independently:

- » Mechling-Shakley Veterans Center (aka "268")
  - » Shepherd's Heart Veteran's Home
- » Veterans Place (residential and day programs) 412-822-1295 | 412-822-1296 | 412-822-1310

## Residential Contract Program

Temporary residential placement for Veterans awaiting admission to treatment or housing programs. 412-822-1296

## Supportive Housing Program

Coraopolis-based facility offering housing to homeless Veterans and their families. 412-822-1311 | 412-822-1296

## **HUD-VASH Permanent Housing**

Subsidized permanent housing and VA case 412-822-1273 | 412-822-1271 | 412-822-1284 management for eligible Veterans and family who reside with them. Includes referrals to community-based services.



Providing men who are homeless a safe place for the night
Located on the Corner of 11th Street and 4th Avenue in Beaver Falls
724-846-1303

## **Homeless Men's Shelter Needs**

We serve up to 22 men each night - 7 days / week, 365 days / year

Monetary Donations can be mailed to:

Crossroads Shelter, P.O. Box 362, Beaver Falls, PA 15010

### Find us on Facebook and Like our page and Invite your friends!

Monetary Donations	Paper Plates
Cases of Water (We need a case / day)	Paper Bowls
<ul> <li>Bed Bug Pillow Protectors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Plastic Silverware</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Bed Bug Mattress Protectors (Twin)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Napkins</li> </ul>
Twin Sheets	<ul> <li>Snacks</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Blankets</li></ul>	Breakfast Food
• Pillows	<ul><li>Drinks</li></ul>
<ul><li>Towels</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Tylenol, Advil, Dayquil, Throat Drops</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Hand Towels &amp; Wash Cloths</li> </ul>	Disposable Razors and Shaving Cream
<ul> <li>Winter Coats: Sizes M, L, XL, 2XL, 4XL</li> </ul>	Q-Tips
<ul> <li>Sweatshirts: Sizes M, L, XL, 2XL, 4XL</li> </ul>	Bars of Soap
<ul> <li>Jeans and Sweat Pants: All Sizes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Toothbrushes and Toothpaste</li> </ul>
New Socks	Rain Ponchos
<ul> <li>New Boxers / Underwear</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Shampoo</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Hats, Gloves, Scarfs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Deodorant</li> </ul>
Boots: Sizes 8-13	<ul> <li>Hand / Body Lotion</li> </ul>
Shoes: Sizes 8-13	<ul> <li>Garbage Bags (Large and Small)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Cleaning Supplies</li> </ul>	Pancake Syrup
<ul> <li>Mop Heads</li> </ul>	Cereal Bars
<ul> <li>Laundry Detergent</li> </ul>	Orange Juice
Fabric Softener	Paper Cups
<ul> <li>Clorox</li> </ul>	Scrubbing Pads
Toilet Paper	Plastic Gloves
Paper Towels	Hand Warmers
<ul> <li>Hand Soap</li> </ul>	Kleenex
Hand Sanitizer	Coffee, Creamer, Sugar
Back Packs	Consider a Christmas Gift for each man
<ul> <li>Prayers for the men that stay there each night</li> </ul>	Prayers for our Staff and Board of Directors
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Donations can be dropped off any night between 6:30 pm and 9:30 pm or call the shelter at 724-846-1303 for another time that is more convenient for you. You can also order online and have your donation shipped directly to Crossroads Shelter, P.O. Box 362, Beaver Falls, PA 15010

## Homeless Persons Memorial Day Beaver County Candlelight Vigil



Join us for a candlelight vigil to remember and honor those who died while living without a home.

When: December 20, 2018 at 5:00 pm

Where: Uncommon Grounds
380 Franklin Avenue Aliquippa PA 15001

December 20<sup>th</sup> is the longest night of the year. This service will help us remember those who struggled through long cold nights without shelter and refresh our commitment to ensuring everyone has a place to call home in 2019.

If you know someone who is experiencing a housing crisis call The Cornerstone at 724.846.6400 or the Homeless Hotline at 724.714.6203.

Sponsored by the Beaver County Continuum of Care: A group of partners working to end homelessness. All are welcomed to join our meetings on the second Thursday of each month at  $1080~8^{th}$  Ave  $3^{rd}$  floor, Beaver Falls.

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Housing Program	Type	Availablity	Units(in bold)	Occupancy	Units(in bold) Occupancy Administrator	
Crescent Commons*	Permanent	0	24	100%	Housing Authority	Housing Authority   Call Darcy for updates
Friendship Homes*	Permanent	0	33	100%	Salvation Army	
BC On-Call	Emergency	0	2		The Cornerstone	724.846.6400
Community Residential*	Permanent	0	41	100%	Housing Authority	
Stone Harbour*	Transitional	2	12	83%	CRS	1 female, 1 either
CRS Transitional	Transitional	2	15	87%	CRS	2 female openings
Help House	Transitional	0	11	100%	Housing Authority	-
Harmony House	Transitional	0	4	100%	BCCYS	CYS referrals only.
BCCYS Housing	Emergency	1	14	%62	BCCYS	CYS referrals only
Crossroads Men's Shelter   Emergency	Emergency	2	22	91%	Crossroads	
Women's Center	Emergency	2	24	95%	BC Women's Center	
Women's Center	Transitional	0	10	100%	BC Women's Center	

<sup>\*</sup>McKinney Vento Supportive Housing Programs - See reverse side of chart for HUDs disability & homeless eligibility requirements.

<b>Bedroom Types</b>
Location
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or Section
<b>Subsidized or Section</b>

Brightwood Manor	New Brighton		Taking applications	
Beaver Falls Plaza	Beaver Falls	Full	Taking applications.	Wait: Srs. 1 year; Disabled 1+ year. Purge annually
Scottswood Apts	Hopewell	1BR elderly/disabled	1BR elderly/disabled Taking Applications	
Valley Terrace	Aliquippa	Vacancies soon	Taking Applications	3BR waitlist is very small right now.
ValleyView	New Brighton	New Brighton 3-BR and 1BR	Taking Applications	Very short waitlist for 1 & 3 BRs . Call 724-443-0282
Spring Run	Monaca	Full	Taking Applications	1BR: 15mos -2vrs; 2BR: 8-10 mos; 3BRs:8-10 mos
Towne Tower	Aliquippa	Vacancies soon	Taking Applications	Opening in next month or two.
Pinney Street Manor	Rochester		Building an accessible waitl	Building an accessible waitlist. Income cap 1 person: \$26,600; 2 people: \$30,400
:	1		Manager for Pinney Street:	Manager for Pinney Street: deem@pappans.com or 724.770.5000

## 3 & 4 BRs have short wait lists. **Housing Authority**

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Various Complexes	BF, Midland	2, 3, 4 BR units	Vacancies.
Eleanor Roosevelt	Aliquippa	0 and 1 BR units	Vacancies.
Ambridge Towers	Ambridge	0 and 1 BR units	Vacancies.
Midcrest	Midland	0 and 1 BR units	Vacancies.
Sheffield Tower	Aliquippa	0 and 1 BR units	Vacancies
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Taking Apps.

<sup>\*</sup>Applications accepted for all HACB sites.

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# Description of Beaver County McKinney Vento Supportive Housing Programs

rental assistance vouchers in the form of Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) will be issued to the chronically homeless or homeless households Community Assisted Residential Living (C.A.R.L.) is a tenant based rental model administered by the Housing Authority of beaver County in which with an illness or a disability. The Program focuses on households with the longest length of homelessness, homeless households with children, veterans, and victims of domestic violence. It is a Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) program within Beaver County's Continuum of Care. Individuals and families live in scattered sites. The program is not funded to provide case management services. Contact information: Renee Speaker hacbspeaker@comcast.net

capacity the program should house approximately 31 people. Individuals and families live in scattered sites. The program is not funded to provide Crescent Commons is a permanent supportive housing program administered by the Housing Authority of Beaver County which provides housing vouchers to participants who are chronically homeless with disabilities and who have exhausted all other housing options. At full operational case management services. Contact information: Darcy Casey darcycasey@att.net Friendship Homes is a 33 bed permanent supportive housing program administered by the Salvation Army for both chronically homeless and nonchronically homeless individuals and families and with disabilities. Program participants are housed in apartments at College Hill Apartments in Beaver Falls. The program is funded to provide moderate case management services. Contact information: Jaime Kinkead Jaime.kinkead@use.salvationarmy.org

Stone Harbour is a transitional supportive housing program administered by Cornerstone Recovery and Supports (CRS) which provides supportive housing for 12 chronically homeless individuals struggling with co-occurring disorders of mental illness and substance abuse, as well as those with legal histories. Individuals live in a single site in Freedom PA. The program is funded to provide on-site case management services. Contact information: Marcy Scott: mscott@crscares.org

## 811 Program (not a McKinney Vento program)

A subsidized housing program for disabled adults (age 18-61) who are either in an institution or at risk of institutionalization and who are able to reside in the community with supports. Criteria include:

- Disabled and Medicaid eligible. Also eligible for long-term services and supports
  - Income at or below 30% AMI
- Eligible for the Housing Authority

Questions and/or applications can be directed to Lisa Kessler at hacblk@comcast.net