Classroom ■Greenville Housing Authority 1103 Broad Street, Greenville, NC

## Present:

Micele (?) Buckley, Pathways to Life, Inc. Tommy Cloyd, Disability Advocates & Resource Center Matt Cox, Navigate (ECU) Sharon Edwards, Pit County DSS Georgia Ensley, PORT Human Services, S+C Coordinator Deloris Farmer, Housing Coordinator, RR Rebecca Fredrick, Greenville Community Shelter Evelyn Huey, Brody School of Medicine Reachout Gloria Kesler, City of Greenville Gloria Leak, Vocational Rehabilitation Anita Little, Greenville Community Shelter Linda Mandell, SOAR Caseworker, TYP Catonnia Mitchell-Pitt, Center for Family Violence Prevention Amy Modlin, ECBH, Housing Director Shelia Parson, QSA Foundation Tujuanda Sanders, Greenville Housing Authority Varinia Soler Bravo, Pathways to Life, Inc. Paulette White, Pitt County Planning/10-Yr Plan Project Mgr Bob Williams, Greenville Community Shelter Talaika Williams, ECBH, LME

<u>Minutes</u>: May 2013 minutes were reviewed. Georgia Ensley motioned to accept and Bob Williams seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted.

<u>Nomination for 10 Year Plan Advisory Board</u>: Paulette White reported that Don Rogers could not accept the nomination to represent the Pitt County Regional Committee on the Advisory Board for the 10-Year Plan. Ms. White explained that the Advisory Board is made up of representatives from various agencies and it meets quarterly. Anita Little was nominated by the members to serve as representative on the Board. A vote was taken and Ms. Hill was approved. Ms. White will provide meeting information.

<u>Rapid Rehousing:</u> The numbers of households assisted by the Pitt Co. Rapid Rehousing program have not changed from those reported at the last meeting. The Staffing Group continues to meet on a regular basis, usually once a week. The Rapid Rehousing program (GCS & TYP) is assisting a maximum number of households. Both agencies are now working to close stable clients.

## Permanent Supportive Housing

<u>GCS</u> - Rebecca Frederick reported that clients in their housing programs are doing well. Two clients in the Solid Ground program receive disability income. The other clients are either working or attending school. There is an opening for a male client in a roommate situation. She is accepting applications for this opening. Agencies can call her for an application or come to staffing meeting. Ms. Frederick reminded members that potential Solid Ground clients must have some income, be a resident of Pitt County for at least four months, be drug free as well as being literally homeless with a disability. She also commented that successful client must remain drug free.

<u>GHA</u> - Tujuanda Sanders reported that GHA received \$75,000 on June 1, 2013 to provide short term rental assistance for individuals with HIV/AIDs. Assistance can be up to \$900 for a 12 month period. The program is called STRMU – Short Term Rent, Mortgage, Utility assistance. These funds cannot be used for deposits. GHA serves 11 counties with this program. Eligible persons must show proof of their medical condition.

The VASH (veterans) program has 4 tenants currently searching for housing. There are 35 vouchers plus 4 for 5 from other counties. There are no income requirements and the program is targeted to chronically homeless veterans.

<u>ECBH</u> - Georgia Ensley reported she has 2 openings for PORT's Shelter + Care program and is accepting applications. Applicants must be homeless with mental disabilities. There is some income requirement (\$200 minimum) and they must be able to cover back utilities or deposits. Successful applicants should be currently receiving Mental Health Services. PORT has a committee that reviews potential applicants.

## **Project Homeless Connect**

Paulette reported that the Greater Greenville Foundation and Pitt County United Way are providing the financial assistance to host PHC. There is a planning group that is meeting monthly (2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month). The next meeting is scheduled for today at 3:30p at the County office, Development Services Building the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 3:30 in the conference room.

## Announcements

- Shelia Parson announced that there will be a fashion show on July 19 in Winterville to raise funds for the Veteran's Stand-down. Tori Shaw from WCTI will be the MC. Volunteers are needed for the Stand-down. All service providers for veterans will have free tables.
- Navigate passed their one year mark. They have substance abuse counseling on Mondays.
- Bob Williams reported that beginning on g June 3, the Shelter implemented its new breakfast program.
  Breakfast is now cooked at the Shelter by volunteers. Residents can assist and also do clean up. Anyone
  interested in helping with this program can sign up. BB&T Corporation donated many needed items for the
  Shelter a new freezer, coffee maker, microwave, new furniture, new fans, sheets, industrial washer &
  dryer, and painting.
- Evelyn Huey, through Brody School of Medicine, is available to do HIV education programs and testing. It is free and she works nights & weekends. All age groups are serviced but prefer adults. Can do a 15 minute to 2 hour presentation and she services areas up to Pamlico and down to Carteret counties. Evelyn's number is 252-744-5109.

Next meeting: August 14, 2013, 9:00 a.m.