

# GUAM HOMELESS COALITION

## Regular Monthly Meeting

September 22, 2010

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### I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 2:34 p.m. by Secretary Lou Hongyee.

### II. ORGANIZATIONAL ROLL CALL

**Voting Members/Organizations:** Amor Say (**GHURA**), Rockhudson Tomy (**CSS**), Ruth Leon Guerrero (**DOL/One-Stop Center**), Greg A. Borja (**Dept. of VA**), Margarita Gay (**DPHSS/BFHNS**), Peggy Llagas (**Guam Association of Realtors**), Bernie Grajek (**Guma Mami**), Oasis Empowerment (**Geraldine Roberto**), Geri Leon Guerrero (**Homeless Advocate**), Barsen Adelbai (**Guma Hinemlo**), O.J. Taitano (**Sanctuary**), Lou Hongyee (**The Salvation Army**)

**Non-Voting Members/Organizations:** Mark Martinez (**CSS**), Paula Perez (**TSA**), Juan Trinidad (**TSA**), Jerry Pura (**CSS/Caridad**), Katherine Taitano (**GHURA**)

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of June 23, 2010, was made by Margarita Gay and second by Geraldine Roberto. Motion passed.

### IV. REPORTS

- A. **GUMA HINEMLO** – Two S+C (Mental Health), Eight beds, nine bodies – 2 sharing a room.
- B. **LIHENG** – One unit ready for occupancy, eight vacant units, maintenance working on them. Worked with Ken Roldan in placing all clients in the HMIS. Trades Academy to help with maintenance.
- C. **CARIDAD** - 8 units, 6 filled. Two will move out of Mongmong end of November. Four leaving. Two chronic homeless moving into Section 8, HUDVASH
- D. **TSA/LIGHTHOUSE**-Twenty-two residents, 15 Aftercare S+C, 30-40 Outpatient.
- E. **OASIS** – Six SHP, four DMHSA, at maximum capacity.
- F. **HMIS** – Juan Trinidad reported that Ken Roldan came back from training and is catching up with work. Working with agency on data collection. HUD will be making a spot check to see if we have 50% homeless at a given time. HUD will be measuring performance of permanent shelter. They will not be looking at year average. AHAR (Annual Housing Assessment Report) part of the exhibits. HUD's spot check will be based on CoC Housing Inventory to make sure that we have 50% covered at any give time at the end of the quarter. Reporting on-line HDX at AHAR- Individuals and families. Not a household if you do not have one minor.
- G. **SANCTUARY** - Six Sagan Nahomlo, five transitional living, with three vacancies. Emergency Shelter Six beds (female)-three vacancy; emergency shelter (males) eight beds – 1 vacancy.
- H. **HPRP** – no representative.

### V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **501c Status** – To date, no comments. Secretary will send out the policies and by-laws to members through e-mail. Question was asked on what number of members constitute a quorum and what type of members. Members discussed having those receiving funding from CoC as one vote and other non-profits. Businesses and other members may be categorized as affiliated members. The core group should be the service providers.

**B. Membership Drive**

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Scores-Prep for 2010 Grant Cycle – New Program “Safe Haven”** – Last year’s application resulted in a score of 81.5%. Because of the score, we were approved for a new program for Catholic Social Services. This score was made possible through the collaborative efforts of the service providers, Juan Trinidad and Ken Roldan. Many hours was spent working on the grants so that each application was consistent and the narratives flowed with each other. We are once again submitting our application and the timelines are compressed. Strategic Planning Committee will start meeting next week so that we can meet GHURA’s deadline for submission which is November 12<sup>th</sup>. Service Providers receiving funding from Coc be prepared to work late hours and weekends if needed.
- B. NOFA** – The notice is out and those renewing or submitting a new program should be aware that the timelines are compressed. Strategic Planning Committee will start meeting next week so that we can meet GHURA’s deadline for submission which is November 12<sup>th</sup>. Service Providers receiving funding from CoC, be prepared to work late hours and weekends if needed.
- C. Expenditure Reports for CoC Funded Programs – Timeline** – GHURA passed out the expenditure reports to each member. GHURA advised that the members look at the remaining months left for the funding to expire. Each funded program has a different start and end date so those showing larger amounts of funds not used may still have several months to go for the funding to expire.
- D. Outreach – October** – Lou Hongyee gave a brief summary of the planning for the Outreach as well as the Peoples Garden. The Outreach Planning Committee has been meeting and have set a tentative schedule for October 27<sup>th</sup> at the Agana Shopping Center. The committee realizes that the Passport to Services just ended in August and, therefore, is trying to keep this outreach simple with just health and employment service providers. The outreach will be provided to unsheltered individuals and families. It is planned that brown bags will be given out, which may include a sandwiches, fruits and drinks. The Interagency Council for Homelessness headed by the First Lady is involved and wants to concurrently have the opening of the People’s Garden in Hagatna. It was pointed out that the Interagency Council could be the lead agency for both events since the Homeless Coalition is just recovering from the Passport to Services event. Members discussed the fact that GHC members have not voted on whether or not to have this outreach and, therefore it was tabled for further discussion.
- E. Committees and Responsibilities** – The Secretary passed out the listing of GHC committees and responsibilities. Since the committees have not really been utilized since its formation, GHC may have to reformulate the committee members and elect chairs for each committee. Discussion tabled.


**VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Recovery Month has been on-going for the month of September. Activities are on-going such as the Recovery Month, a wave and ending the event with a Banquet on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

PHSS Outreach will be held on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, at Astumbo gym from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. for women, children and senior citizens. Flu shots will be provided.


**IX. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

**MINUTES PREPARED BY:**

  
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Lou Hongyee  
GHC Secretary

**APPROVED BY:**

  
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Greg Bokja  
GHC Chairperson