



Dream Homes Community Center

To: Mayor Mark Boughton and the Common Council
From: Karl Myers, on behalf of the Dream Homes Community Center collaborative
Re: August 24, 2009 monthly report

I. Program Synopsis

Per the proposal endorsed by Mayor Boughton and the Common Council, the Dream Homes Community Center (DHCC) is a collaborative effort of 3 agencies: Housing Authority of the City of Danbury, The Association of Religious Communities, and We CAHR. The collaborative has financial and in-kind partners, to date: The City of Danbury, Mc Cue Mortgage, an Anonymous Donor, Housing Authority, ARC & We CAHR, Town of New Fairfield, and the Town of Ridgefield, HUD-CDBG and HUD HMIS Grant, DSS Beyond Shelter CT Grant.

Dream Homes works with 4 populations:

- 1) Point of Entry for persons who are homeless
- 2) Beyond Shelter CT Program
- 3) Rentals
- 4) First-time Home ownership

All four of the above components are a part of Dream Homes. The Point of Entry is not a separate program; rather, it is 1 of the 4 components of Dream Homes ~ per the proposal passed by Mayor Boughton and the Common Council.

The collaborative Leadership Team shares responsibilities for leadership, decision-making, risk-taking, and fundraising. This report is submitted by Karl Myers on behalf of the collaborative Leadership Team, which also includes: Rev. Phyllis J. Leopold, Jean Bowen, Patricia Tomka, and Carolyn Sistrunk.

In addition to the Leadership Team, salaried professionals implement the program:

Program Director (part-time): Karl Myers

Housing Advocate for Persons with Disabilities (part-time): Jeanne Braude-Magi

I. Operations

- DHCC was awarded a subcontractor status for the CT DSS HPRP stimulus grant. Funding from this grant will be used for rental security deposits, rent, back rent, utility payments, moving expenses and credit repair. It is anticipated that this program will begin in October and last until funding has been exhausted over a three-year time frame.

II. Outreach & Education

- No new information to report.

A) Rental

- No New Information to report

B) Regional

- No new information to report.

C) Community Involvement

- No new information to report

III. Beyond Shelter CT Program

- Currently working with 9 individuals and 3 families.
- At the time of this report the program has housed 1 family and 4 individuals.

IV. Point of Entry

- MCCA staff has been trained on HMIS, DHCC is awaiting final paperwork to allow staff to access the system.

HUD Annual Progress Report (HUD-40118)

January 1 to July 31 2009

All Danbury CoC Agencies using HMIS

Note: All figures are un-audited and are subject to change.

2. Persons Served during the operating year.	Number of Singles Not in Families	Number of Adults in Families	Number of Children in Families	Number of Families
a. Number on the first day of the operating year.	<u>265</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>35</u>	18
b. Number entering program during the operating year.	<u>178</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>33</u>	20
c. Number who left the program during the operating year.	<u>92</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>	13
d. Number in the program on the last day of the operating year. (a+b-c=d)	351	29	52	25

3. Project Capacity.	Number of Singles Not in Families	Number of Adults in Families	Number of Children in Families	Number of Families
a. Number on last day (from 2d, columns 1 and 4)	351			25
4. Non-homeless persons. (Sec. 8 SRO projects only)				
How many income-eligible non-homeless persons were housed by the SRO program during the operating year?				<u>104</u>
5. Age and Gender. Of those who entered during the operating year, how many people are in the following age and gender categories?				
	Age	Male	Female	Other/Not given
Single Persons (from 2b, column 1)	a. 62 and over	<u>9</u>	0	0
	b. 51 - 61	<u>21</u>	<u>8</u>	0
	c. 31 - 50	<u>63</u>	<u>26</u>	0
	d. 18 - 30	<u>32</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>1</u>
	e. 17 and under	<u>1</u>	0	0
	Not given	0	0	0
Persons in Families (from 2b, columns 2 & 3)	f. 62 and over	0	0	0
	g. 51 - 61	0	0	0
	h. 31 - 50	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>	0
	i. 18 - 30	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>	0
	j. 13 - 17	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	0
	k. 6 - 12	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>	0
	l. 1 - 5	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	0
	m. Under 1	0	<u>1</u>	0
	Not given	0	0	0
	6 - 10. Participants who entered during the operating year.			
6a. Veterans Status.				
A veteran is anyone who has ever been on active military duty status.				<u>16</u>
6b. Chronically Homeless.				
How many participants were chronically homeless individuals?				<u>28</u>
7. Ethnicity.				
a. Hispanic or Latino				<u>19</u>
b. Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino				<u>183</u>
8. Race.				
a. American Indian or Alaskan Native				<u>1</u>
b. Asian				<u>2</u>
c. Black or African American				<u>40</u>
d. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander				0
e. White				<u>145</u>
f. American Indian/Alaskan Native & White				0
g. Asian & White				0
h. Black/African American & White				0
i. American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American				0
j. Other Multi-Racial				<u>6</u>
k. Other/Unknown (all that do not match)				<u>8</u>

9a. Special Needs.				
	All		Chronic	
a. Mental illness	<u>31</u>		<u>6</u>	
b. Alcohol abuse	<u>12</u>		<u>4</u>	
c. Drug abuse	<u>9</u>		<u>4</u>	
d. HIV/AIDS or related diseases	<u>3</u>		<u>1</u>	
e. Developmental disability	<u>1</u>		0	
f. Physical disability	<u>11</u>		<u>3</u>	
g. Domestic violence	<u>7</u>		0	
h. Other (please specify)	<u>1</u>		0	
9b. Disabled.				
How many of the participants are disabled?				<u>44</u>
10. Prior Living Situation. Participants slept in the following places the week prior to entering.				
	All		Chronic	
a. Non-housing (street, park, car, bus station, etc.)	<u>9</u>		<u>1</u>	
b. Emergency shelter	<u>48</u>		<u>7</u>	
c. Transitional housing for homeless persons	0			
d. Psychiatric facility	0			
e. Substance abuse treatment facility	<u>4</u>			
f. Hospital	<u>3</u>			
g. Jail/prison	<u>10</u>			
h. Domestic violence situation	<u>1</u>			
i. Living with relatives/friends	<u>39</u>			
j. Rental housing	<u>15</u>			
k. Other (please specify)	<u>73</u>			
11. Amount and Source of Monthly Income at Entry and Exit. Participants who left during the operating year.				
Amount	A. Monthly Income at Entry		B. Monthly Income at Exit	
	All	Chronic	All	Chronic
a. No Income	<u>72</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>13</u>
b. \$1-150	<u>1</u>	0	<u>1</u>	0
c. \$151 - \$250	0	0	0	0
d. \$251 - \$500	<u>2</u>	0	<u>2</u>	0
e. \$501 - \$1000	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>
f. \$1001 - \$1500	<u>3</u>	0	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>
g. \$1501 - \$2000	<u>4</u>	0	<u>3</u>	0
h. \$2000 +	<u>2</u>	0	<u>2</u>	0
Source	C. Income Sources at Entry		D. Income Sources at Exit	
	All	Chronic	All	Chronic
a. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>
b. Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>
c. Social Security	0	0	0	0

d. General Public Assistance	0	0	0	0
e. Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF)	<u>1</u>	0	<u>1</u>	0
f. State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)	0	0	0	0
g. Veterans benefits	0	0	0	0
h. Employment Income	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>
i. Unemployment Benefits	<u>1</u>	0	<u>1</u>	0
j. Veteran's Health Care	0	0	0	0
k. Medicaid	0	0	0	0
l. Food Stamps	<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>
m. Other (please specify)	<u>18</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>8</u>
n. No financial resources	<u>72</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>13</u>

12a. Length of Stay in Program. Participants who left during the operating year.

	All	Chronic
a. Less than 1 month	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>
b. 1 to 2 months	<u>26</u>	<u>2</u>
c. 3 - 6 months	<u>31</u>	<u>9</u>
d. 7 months - 12 months	<u>18</u>	<u>5</u>
e. 13 months - 24 months	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>
f. 25 months - 3 years	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
g. 4 years - 5 years	<u>1</u>	0
h. 6 years - 7 years	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
i. 8 years - 10 years	0	0
j. over 10 years	0	0

12b. Length of Stay in Program. Participants who did not leave during the operating year.

	All	Chronic
a. Less than 1 month	<u>21</u>	<u>2</u>
b. 1 to 2 months	<u>46</u>	<u>3</u>
c. 3 - 6 months	<u>104</u>	<u>21</u>
d. 7 months - 12 months	<u>91</u>	<u>13</u>
e. 13 months - 24 months	<u>78</u>	<u>19</u>
f. 25 months - 3 years	<u>27</u>	<u>4</u>
g. 4 years - 5 years	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>
h. 6 years - 7 years	<u>5</u>	0
i. 8 years - 10 years	<u>2</u>	0
j. over 10 years	0	0

13. Reasons for Leaving. Participants who left during the operating year.

	All	Chronic
a. Left for a housing opportunity before completing program	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>
b. Completed program	<u>45</u>	<u>10</u>
c. Non-payment of rent/occupancy charge	0	0
d. Non-compliance with project	0	0
e. Criminal activity / destruction of property / violence	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>
f. Reached maximum time allowed in project	<u>2</u>	0

g. Needs could not be met by project		<u>1</u>	0
h. Disagreement with rules/persons		<u>2</u>	0
i. Death		0	0
j. Other (please specify)		<u>16</u>	<u>7</u>
k. Unknown/disappeared		<u>20</u>	<u>4</u>
14. Destination. Participants who left during the operating year.			
		All	Chronic
PERMANENT (a - h)	a. Rental house or apartment (no subsidy)	<u>34</u>	<u>6</u>
	b. Public Housing	0	0
	c. Section 8	0	0
	d. Shelter Plus Care	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
	e. HOME subsidized house or apartment	0	0
	f. Other subsidized house or apartment	<u>11</u>	0
	g. Homeownership	0	0
	h. Moved in with family or friends	<u>2</u>	0
TRANSITIONAL (i - j)	i. Transitional housing for homeless persons	<u>1</u>	0
	j. Moved in with family or friends	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>
INSTITUTION (k - m)	k. Psychiatric hospital	0	0
	l. Inpatient alcohol/drug treatment facility	<u>1</u>	0
	m. Jail/prison	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>
EMERGENCY SHELTER (n)	n. Emergency shelter	<u>6</u>	0
OTHER (o - q)	o. Other supportive housing	0	0
	p. Places not meant for human habitation (e.g. street)	0	0
	q. Other (please specify)	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>
UNKNOWN	r. Unknown	<u>27</u>	<u>9</u>

Zip Code Report

January 1, 2009 to July 31, 2009

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Town	2007 Figures		2008 Figures		2009 Figures	
	Persons	Percent of Total	Persons	Percent of Total	Persons	Percent of Total
Danbury	159	39.3%	185	41.3%	113	44.1%
New Milford	31	7.7%	41	9.2%	16	6.3%
Bethel	15	3.7%	24	5.4%	11	4.3%
Brookfield	12	3.0%	10	2.2%	0	0.0%
New Fairfield	4	1.0%	4	0.9%	7	2.7%
Ridgefield	3	0.7%	7	1.6%	4	1.6%
Newtown	3	0.7%	2	0.4%	1	0.4%
Sherman	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Bridgewater	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%

Redding	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
Rest of State	72	17.8%	71	15.8%	54	21.1%
Out of State	44	10.9%	38	8.5%	17	6.6%
Unknown	61	15.1%	62	13.8%	33	12.9%
Total	405		448		256	

Needs/Service Report: January 1 2009 to July 31, 2009
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Need Type	Total	Pending	Fully Met	Partially Met	Unmet	F/U Pending
Food Pantries (BD-1800.2000)	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Housing/Shelter (BH)	<u>3537</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3537</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Emergency Shelter (BH-1800)	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>
Domestic Violence Shelters (BH-1800.1500-100)	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Homeless Shelter (BH-1800.8500)	<u>99</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>14</u>
Homeless Motel Vouchers (BH-1800.8500-300)	<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Housing Counseling (BH-3700)	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>
Rent Payment Assistance (BH-3800.7000)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Rental Deposit Assistance (BH-3800.7250)	<u>16</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>
Public Housing (BH-7000.4600-600)	<u>16</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>
Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (BH-7000.4600-700)	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>
Single Room Occupancy Housing (BH-7000.4600-800)	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
Supportive Housing (BH-8400)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Transitional Housing/Shelter (BH-8600)	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Bus Fare (BT-8300.1000)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Veteran Benefits Assistance (FT-1000.9000)	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
College/University Housing (HL-1500)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Employment (ND)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Comprehensive Job Assistance Centers (ND-1500)	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
Basic Income Maintenance Programs (NL-1000)	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
SSI (NL-1000.8100)	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TANF (NL-1000.8500)	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Medicaid (NL-5000.5000)	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Food Stamps (NL-6000.2000)	<u>39</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>
Social Security Disability Insurance (NS-1800.8000)	<u>13</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
Social Security Retirement Benefits (NS-7000.8000)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Social Health Insurance (NS-8000)	<u>34</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Unemployment Insurance (NS-9000)	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Hotels/Motels (PL-4500.3000)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Mental Health Care and Counseling (R)	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Total (30 Need Types)	<u>3839</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>3737</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>45</u>

Dream Homes Community Center Collaborative
Preventing Homelessness and Rental Issues

Total number of new clients served by the collaborative **this month:** __11__

Race/Ethnicity

White_3__ Black __ Native American__1__ Asian__ Hispanic/Latino_6__ Other__1__

Family Information

Total Families:_1__ Female_1__ Male__ Minors/ Parents (under 18)____
Total Singles:_10__ Female__1__ Male__1__ Minor (under 18)____

Age

0-5__ 6-12__ 13-17__ 18-20__4__ 21-25__ 26-34__ 35-49__7__ 50-64__ 65+_1__

Income Information

Employed__2__ SAGA_1__ Child Support____ SSI_1__ SSDI____
Unemploy. Comp____ Veteran____ None____ TFA____ Other__ No Income__3__

Housing Issues

Disaster Victim____ Deinstitutionalized____ Lockout____ Legal Eviction____
Out of Jail/Prison____ Left Voluntarily__1__ Fmly/Friend Eviction__2__ Other__8__

Contributing Factors

Substance Abuse____ Expenses Exceed Income__7__ Unemployed__2__
Physical Illness__2__ New to Area____ Divorced/Separated____
Family Abuse____ Mental Illness____ Other____