



## *Heartland Continuum of Care Mayor's Taskforce on Homelessness*



### **2006 Approved Goals & Objectives**

#### **Maintenance and Coordination Goals: Chair, Jackie Newman**

- **Increase number of affordable housing units in Springfield by a minimum of 20 units through a coordinated approach including all development avenues.**
- **Implement Phase II of HMIS System.**
- **Continue operations of Springfield Overflow Shelter (November through March).**
- **Maintain meeting minutes and track necessary data to provide to Maintenance and Evaluation Committee on a monthly basis.**

#### **Public Awareness Goals: Co-Chairs Faith Sanderson and Linda Kopecky**

- **Develop and implement a Speaker's Bureau to conduct the following activities:**
  - **Streamline "talking points" relative to the Continuum of Care, Mayor's Task Force and homeless issues in Springfield;**
  - **Provide ongoing education to those entities discharging homeless individuals/families to the community relative to the available resources and services. (Cooperative effort with Prevention Committee)**
- **Coordinate media/prospective member contact and develop Calendar of Events**
  - **Coordinate and distribute all press releases relative to Continuum / Task Force activities;**
  - **Develop and define specific "needs" and "opportunities" for private sector involvement**
  - **Plan 3-4 activities under a "Community Calendar of Events Highlighting Homelessness" (i.e. Hunger and Homelessness week, Homeless Persons Awareness Day, Rally & Lobby Day, SOS Shelter Volunteer Thank You Dinner); and**
  - **Include Community Calendar of Events and Continuum / Task Force information within the City's website.**
- **Maintain meeting minutes and track necessary data to provide to Maintenance and Evaluation Committee on a monthly basis.**

### **Prevention Goals: Chair, Dana Wilkerson**

- **Understand the discharge policies of the following entities:**
  - **Jails (local/state/federal);**
  - **Hospitals (local);**
  - **Mental Health Facilities (local);**
  - **Detox facilities (local); and**
  - **Local homeless service providers (emergency shelters, transitional shelters and permanent housing).**
- **Provide ongoing education to those entities discharging homeless individuals/families to the community relative to the available resources and services. (Cooperative effort with Public Awareness Committee)**
- **Maintain meeting minutes and track necessary data to provide to Maintenance and Evaluation Committee on a monthly basis.**

### **Evaluation Goals: Co-Chairs, Charlene Edmiston and Stephanie Malcom**

- **Develop and implement a reporting mechanism to track progress made toward outlined goals and objectives for 2006 inclusive of, but not limited to: committee activities/accomplishments, press releases, media contact, community presentations and community involvement.**
- **Compile data as provided by other committees on a monthly basis.**
- **Provide reports on an ongoing basis and when requested by the Task Force and/or Continuum.**