

**Concord Homeless Steering Committee
Draft Meeting Minutes**

June 17, 2025

2:00 pm Chamber of Commerce

Present: Schlosser, Sink, Barrick,
Whitney-Gill, Lorden, Nafshi, Guy, Perencevich, Surmanis, Jantzen, Haggerty, , Champlin,
Moulton, Coffey, Ennis-Williams
Guests (Partial list): T. Gladstone, Wolcott, A. Alexander, Davis, Toth, Owen

The April Minutes were approved.

Funding for the Project Manager position –NH Charitable Foundation and other contributions will fund year one of the position. CDFA award will fund year two. Total need is about \$220,000 over two years. Granite United Way has agreed to serve as our fiscal agent.

The committee approved the draft job description for the project manager.

Jim reviewed the monthly homeless data report with current census numbers. Important data points include # of homeless and # of people housed. No one is currently analyzing where people are being housed as part of that report, however the report can be configured to enable a zip code level awareness.

Working groups reports:

- The Veteran’s working group is meeting bi-weekly. Down to seven homeless veterans from 12 total.
- A subcommittee is drafting a written cold weather shelter plan. Last year, the Friendly Kitchen and the Coalition extended hours during particularly cold days This is an effort to have a written plan in place in advance.
- Julie, Jim and Roseanne have been working on a rapid response to get folks with vouchers housed, using the “flex pool subsidy” approach. The goal is to identify 100 housing units.
- Communication & Engagement –Once the project manager is in place and remaining funding is secured, the community education initiative will move forward,, possibly in partnership with NH Listens.

The committee discussed the encampment at Healy Park and City funding that has been for the cleanup. This led to a discussion relative to the “sanctioned camp” concept as part of an overall response to addressing unsheltered homelessness in Concord. A sanctioned camp could be better managed regarding sanitation, safety, delivery of social services, etc. A sub committee consisting of Freeman, Connor, Barret, Nicloe and Val will explore other models of sanctioned encampments and report back to the full committee. In the meantime, the committee will continue to explore other transitional and long term housing options (tiny homes, rooming houses, ADUs etc).

Rosanne opened the meeting up for public input. Rebecca Carlson circulated a proposal for a sanctioned encampment. Terry Gladstone reported that she is creating a 501 c 3 to build up to 30 tiny homes for homeless individuals. There was a general discussion regarding the possibility of adding an individual experiencing homelessness on the committee, or to serve on a subcommittee (which would not require City Council appointment).

Next meeting August 19 at 2:00 pm, location may need to change due to increased meeting attendance.

Respectfully submitted,
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