Northern Tier Regional Homeless Advisory Board Meeting – May 20, 2015 @ 10 am MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome / Roll Call / Introductions

• We were able to reach a quorum for this month's meeting.

2. Review of previous meeting's minutes

 Diane Glenwright moved to approve the meeting minutes from January and February. The motion was seconded by Noel Duffy, and passed unanimously.

3. Review of General Membership Meeting/Local Efforts

- Several RHAB members expressed being pleased with the General Membership meeting. All felt that the information provided was helpful and appropriate. Feedback from non-CoC members has been positive as well.
- The General membership meeting is to be held biannually. The next one is tentatively scheduled for September.
- Jeff Rich asked for members to discuss any local efforts that are being doing from RHAB:
 - i. Lycoming County Tara Day discussed a supportive housing grant that the county received and will be implementing with the help of the Housing Coalition of Lycoming County. The county received \$500,000 in PHARE funds that will be used for rental assistance, eviction prevention, and a form of master leasing.
 - ii. Clinton County Jeff stated that Clinton County was doing many of the same things, with a focus on re-entry and forensic housing.

4. Suggestions for RHAB Invitations

- Each RHAB is supposed to be comprised of members from the following groups:
 Governmental, housing services, faith-based organizations, businesses, educational, healthcare, a current or formerly homeless person, law enforcement, and domestic violence or other shelter.
- Currently, we only have representatives from four of those groups. (Missing representatives are highlighted in yellow above. A current or formerly homeless person is a requirement to have on the RHAB.
- Mae-Ling and Jeff are currently working on reaching out to people in other agencies to join. If anyone has any suggestions for new members, please send their information to either Jeff or Mae-Ling, so an informational letter can be sent to them.

5. Co-Chair 1 Appointment

- The term for Co-Chair 1 is over on June 30, 2015, so we will need to identify the new one.
 Mae-Ling has said she will be glad to serve another term.
- Diane Glenwright nominated Mae-Ling Kranz for a second term. The motion was seconded by Noel and passed unanimously.

6. NOFA Release

• The CoC registration was submitted on 4/19/15. Jeff stated there was a strong change that most projects in need of funding will be funded, as the dollar amount expected is close to the dollar

- amount needed. Diana T. Myers will accept new projects until 5/22/15. New projects will be funded through reallocation not new money.
- The NOFA will be released sometime in June, and we will likely have a short window of time to get it in.

7. Items for CoC Board Meeting

- Jeff and Mae-Ling will attend the CoC Board Meeting in June. Jeff asked for the group to provide any items that we would like discussed.
 - i. Kate de Silva Would like some issues discussed regarding ESG funding. HUD wants to deploy at least 55% of funding to rapid rehousing and move away from homelessness prevention. She feels that this is contributing to homelessness in her area. She also voiced concerns with DCED moving to an 18-month contract for ESG funding. Although DCED has said that there will be no gap in funding, but there will be
 - ii. Diane Glenwright echoed Kate's concerns. She also asked that someone discuss the requirement of submitting a match invoice with every HUD invoice, as this is impractical.
- 8. New business/general discussion
 - No new business was discussed.
- 9. Our next meeting is scheduled for June 17th at 10 am. At this time, we are unsure if it will be a face-to-face meeting or a conference call. We will let everyone know.
- 10. Meeting was adjourned at 10:33 am.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Tara Day.

ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION - 5/20/15						
Name:	County:	Present:	Absent:			
Michelle Chandler	Bradford					
Maria Garlick	Clinton	X				
Jeff Rich	Clinton	X				
Mae-Ling Kranz	Lycoming					
Ginny Noble	Lycoming	X				
Diane Glenwright	Lycoming	X				
Tara Day	Lycoming	X				
Melissa Magargle	Lycoming					
Karen Parish	Tioga					
Viginia Boley	Tioga	X				
Lisa Boley	Tioga					
Edward Clemens	Tioga	X				
Fell Boley	Tioga					
Kevin Holehan	Wyoming	X				
Madra Clay	DCED					
Leigh Howard	Diana T. Myers & Asso.					
Barbara Hodas	Diana T. Myers & Asso.					
Adrienne Nash Melendez	Philadelphia					
Karen Kispert	Diana T. Myers & Asso.					
Charles Burke	Luzerne					
Athena Aardweg	Chester					
Dawn Yates	Bradford					
Darlene Prutsman	Bath, NY/Tioga					
Melinda Stanley	Luzerne					
Gary Baker	Lackawanna/ DCED - NE					
Kevin Cope	Northampton					
Noel Duffy	Luzerne	X				
Kathleen Remington	Susquehanna					
Nancy Perri	Susquehanna					
Barb Austin	Bradford					
Ashley Schrivner	Bradford					
Kate de Silva	Clinton	Х				
Karen Harvey	Tioga	X				
Mark Roinick	Sullivan					
Kim Eroh	Sullivan & Lycoming					