

# EXCERPTS COMMUNITY PLAN TO PREVENT AND END HOMELESSNESS IN DANE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

5/5/2008

GOALS	STRATEGIES	RESULTS
<p><b>Provide support services for homeless households and households at risk of homelessness to enable them to access and maintain stable housing.</b></p>	<p>Increase the number of case management staff available to provide support services.</p> <p>Improve the effectiveness of case management services through the availability of training and education and the commitment to purchase such training and education. Stability in housing</p>	<p><b>2005:</b> 1,653 families received case management services.  <b>2006:</b> 1,722 families received case management services.  <b>2007:</b> 1,790 families received case management services  <b>2008:</b> 1,798 families received case management services  <b>Since 2005, Consortium agencies increased their capacity to offer case management services to an additional 145 families.</b>  <b>2006:</b> United Way held 2 case mg tngs w/ 445 participants.  <b>2007:</b> Two case management trainings with 140 participants  <b>2008:</b> Two case management trainings with 143 participants.  <b>6 of 7 agencies report over 80% housing retention at 6 mos.</b>  <b>5 of 5 agencies report over 75% housing retention at 12 mos</b></p>
	<p>Shorten the length of time between the application and approval of SSI/SSDI benefits Increase the number of households approved for SSI/SSDI benefits.</p>	<p><b>2005</b> 102 referrals, 65 ongoing cases, total approved – <b>48</b>  <b>2006</b> 94 referrals, 34 ongoing cases, total approved – <b>23</b>  <b>2007</b> 53 referrals, 50 ongoing cases, total approved – <b>16</b>  <b>2008</b> total preserved or increased - <b>46</b>  <b>2009 Dane County budget passed in 2008 included funds for two benefit specialists to decrease time between application and approval for eligible persons.</b></p>
	<p>Increase financial resources to households through entitlement programs such as Medicaid, Food Share, Badger Care, etc. by increased screening for eligibility by HSC agencies.</p>	<p><b>2005:</b> 19,274  <b>2006:</b> 20,479  <b>2007:</b> 20,623  <b>2008:</b> 22,690  <b>Since 2006, the number of households receiving benefits from entitlement programs has increased each year.</b>                  2006 - \$653,374.68                  2007 - \$753,865.56                  2008 - \$979,191.97  <b>expenditures for Emergency Assistance which is an entitlement program</b></p>
	<p>Maximize the available financial resources for housing by extending the capacity and access to safety-net supports such as food and clothing.</p>	<p><b>2005:</b> 4.6 million pounds available.  <b>2006:</b> 4.93 million pounds available.  <b>2007:</b> 4.70 million pounds available.  <b>2008:</b> <b>5.1 million pounds</b>  <b>Since 2005, the amount of food distributed through local food pantries increased by ½ million pounds.</b>                  Households served at food pantries:  <b>2005:</b> 63,379, <b>2006:</b> 85,509, <b>2007:</b> 84,999 <b>2008:</b> 99,700  <b>Since 2005, 36,321 more households have been served at local food pantries.</b></p>



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<p><b>Help homeless households by providing a short-term safety net with continuous support services with the goal of moving to stable housing as quickly as possible.</b></p>	<p>Place homeless individuals and families in permanent housing quickly, providing intensive home-based case management and stabilizing support services. Monitor local "Housing First" programs, evaluate successes and challenges, make appropriate changes to model. Explore expansion of local "Housing First" model.</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> Housing First units for families 4; Housing First units for single adults 2  <b>2007:</b> Housing First units for families 6, and for single adults 6.  <b>2008:</b> Housing First units for families 30, and for single adults 17.  <b>Since 2006, there has been an increase of 26 housing first slots for families and 15 slots for single adults.</b></p>
	<p>The HSC will review the continuing need for shelter beds and explore other effective shelter alternatives based on solid data.</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> Shelter Provider Committee initiated representing HSC shelter agencies and funders. Role of gatekeeper was first discussion. Commitment to meet at least six times annual following the HSC meetings.  <b>2007:</b> County and City budgets include funds for year-round overflow shelter for families in <b>2008:</b> Year-round overflow shelter continues, Shelter Provider Committee meets monthly to discuss trends and issues.  Unmet need: <b>2006</b> – 3,207, <b>2007</b> – 2,978, <b>2008</b> – 4,047</p>
	<p>Create a program for homeless youth under the age of 18 that will provide scattered site housing with supportive services and provide for housing opportunities once the youth turns legal age.</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> 8 volunteer host homes for homeless unaccompanied youth. 0 units/beds for transitional living.  <b>2007:</b> 8 volunteer host homes   <b>2008:</b> 6 volunteer host homes  <b>YSOSW was not able to obtain grant funds for a scattered site transitional housing program for youth.</b></p>
	<p>Support the expansion of programs that supply personal storage space and daytime access to transportation, voice mail, showers and meals. Expand the locations where these services are available and explore the unmet need for additional services.</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> Loss of existing facility at Pres House; no replacement as of the end of the year.  <b>2007:</b> SVdP committed to opening short-term storage location in 2008 at their property on Culmen Street.  <b>2008:</b> SVdP storage facility opened May that will hold personal belongings for up to 3 months with option to renew for approximately 40 individuals.</p>
<p>Provide year-round outreach services to better connect single adults living in uninhabitable places to needed services.</p>		<p><b>2006:</b> Hours of devoted outreach services to single individuals Tellurian 6,240 hrs (adults); Porchlight 1,672 hrs (adults) YSOSW 242 hrs (adults)  <b>2007:</b> Tellurian 4,160 hrs (adults); Porchlight 1,664 hrs (adults) YSOSW 278 hrs (adults)  <b>2008:</b> Tellurian 4,160 hrs (adults); Porchlight 1,664 hrs (adults) YSOSW 160 hrs (adults)  <b>2006:</b> # of individuals moved from the street into housing 52  <b>2007:</b> # of individuals who moved from the street into housing 69.  <b>2008:</b> # of individuals moved from the street into housing 50</p>

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<p><b>Help homeless households by providing a short-term safety net with continuous support services with the goal of moving to stable housing as quickly as possible. (continued)</b></p>	<p>Provide year-round outreach services to better connect families with children who are living in unsafe and uninhabitable places to needed services</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> 0 hours  <b>2007:</b> 0 hours  <b>2008:</b> 0 hours</p>
	<p>Provide year-round outreach services to better connect unaccompanied youth living in unsafe places to needed services,</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> YSOSW 599 hrs (youth)  <b>2007:</b> YSOSW 2,506 hrs. (youth)  <b>2008:</b> YSOSW 5,077 hrs. (youth)  <b>The number of hours spent providing services to youth on the street increased 8 fold over 2006</b></p>
<p><b>. Provide an adequate inventory of affordable housing units for low-income households, whether by creating new units or making existing units affordable</b></p>	<p>Maintain the current number of federally subsidized rental units operated by non-profits and private developers once the required period of affordability is over.</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> 7,440 total units (3,948 family; 3,324 elderly; 168 special needs/disabled)  <b>2007:</b> 7,766 total units (3,742 family; 3,827 elderly; 197 special needs/disabled)  <b>2008:</b> 8,155 total units (4,082 family; 3,873 elderly; 200 special needs/disabled)  <b>Since 2006, an increase of 715 units.</b></p>
	<p>Annually monitor the number of units that were developed with federal subsidies to ensure that there remains an inventory of affordable housing.</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> Transitional housing units with support services 254  <b>2006:</b> Permanent housing units with supportive services 578  <b>2007:</b> Transitional housing units with support services 225  <b>2007:</b> Permanent housing units with supportive services 715  <b>2008:</b> Transitional housing units with support services 262  <b>2008:</b> Permanent housing units with supportive services 723  <b>Increase of 8 transitional units and 145 permanent units since 2006.</b></p>
	<p>Support HSC agencies and other non-profit housing developers who create affordable housing units, coupled with supportive services, for households with issues such as mental illness, AODA, and other physical and mental disabilities.</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> Transitional housing units with support services 254  <b>2006:</b> Permanent housing units with supportive services 578  <b>2007:</b> Transitional housing units with support services 225  <b>2007:</b> Permanent housing units with supportive services 715  <b>2008:</b> Transitional housing units with support services 262  <b>2008:</b> Permanent housing units with supportive services 723  <b>Increase of 8 transitional units and 145 permanent units since 2006.</b></p>
	<p>With private housing developers, market the opportunities available for creating affordable rental housing. Share information about best practices used in other successful developments.</p>	<p><b>2006:</b> One non-profit, partnering with local developer, identified to create permanent rental housing.  <b>2007:</b> Fundraising campaign underway to fund a total of 30 supported permanent housing for families – Interfaith Hospitality Network w/ Meridian Group  <b>2008:</b> 1 new developer identified through efforts in Stoughton</p> <p><b>2006:</b> 60 short term rent subsidy slots funded through ESG contract between CAC and the City.  <b>2007:</b> 74 rent subsidy slots thru ESG contract btw CAC and City.  <b>2008:</b> 83 rent subsidy slots thru ESG contract btw CAC and City.  <b>2006:</b> 4 rent subsidies for singles and 40 rent subsidies for families funded through HUD.  <b>2007:</b> 4 rent subsidies for singles, 25 rent subsidies for families.  <b>2008:</b> 10 rent subsidies for singles, 40 rent subsidies for families.  <b>Since 2006, a increase of 6 ESG slots for singles but no change for families.</b></p>