



## EVANSTON HOMELESS TASK FORCE MINUTES

November 4, 2011

**Present:** Sue Calder, Co-Chair; Karen Singer, Co-Chair; Paola Flores, Sue Murphy, Janet Winslow, Dorothy Williams, Dan Lewis, Sidney Caselberry, Kav Hagopian, Paul Selden, Janice Lindquist, Kate Mahoney,

**Absent:** Alderman Dolores Holmes, Alderman Ann Rainey, Walter Cody, Paul Hamnn, Joe Liss, Karen Hunt, Bill Kolen, Oscar Hawthorne, Debbie Bretag, Kevin Mott, Joyce Bartz, Rev. Velda Love

**Staff:** Sarah Flax, Ron Blumenburg, Mary Ellen Poole

### **I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 am

### **II. Approve Minutes**

A motion to approve the October 7, 2011 minutes passed unanimously.

### **III. Public Comment**

No Public Comment

### **IV. Welcome & Introductions**

- a. Co-Chairs, Sue Calder and Karen Singer welcomed the Task Force
- b. Introductions were made by all present

### **V. Unfinished Business**

N/A

### **VI. New Business: Review of the Outline**

#### **Framing the paper and General comments:**

- Karen Singer reminded the group that there are overarching themes such as Housing First that will be presented up front to guide the whole paper
- Sarah Flax brought up the need to use the Funnel to frame the “flow” of the plan
- Dan Lewis asked who the audience will be? Do we need something to catch the eye of the readers?
- Do we need 2 different documents?
- Priority of “relocation assistance” to speak to the concern about serving non-Evanstonians.
- The group needs to look at the potential impact erturnign vertrans will have on the housing/services need.

- Central location discussion. Should it be a meal/employment/services place?
- New Housing and Homelessness Commission idea.
  
- Sue discussed meeting with the mayor to present the new Commission idea as well as the centralized services location idea.

**VII. Communications**

The next meeting will be Friday Jan. 6, 2012 at 7:30 am. Location: Parasol Room at the Civic Center.

**VI. Adjournment-**The Meeting adjourned at 9:30 am

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Poole, Housing Planner