

NOVEMBER 10, 2010  
Housing Options Meeting

I. Introductions

Present: Ken Finning, Patricia Hamilton, Loretta Mc Carty, Clyde Reynolds  
Muriel Steiger

Loretta McCarty called meeting to order.

II. Old Business

A. Gateway/Sober Center Project – update

No update.

B. Home Share Program – update

HomeShare now has 6 very stable matches.

More Home Providers are needed.

Muriel S. and Patricia H. approached CEDC with a partnership concept to find home providers. CEDC helps with pre-foreclosure loan modifications – these homeowners might benefit from a home seeker renting a room and providing some rental income. Management at CEDC was interested – need to establish better lines of communication.

C. River Haven – update

Clyde Reynolds reported on the community dome status. The dome was erected then volunteers put the cover on. It was soon realized the cover was put on inside-out. They needed another work day to correct this mistake. The last part of the project is to paint the dome. Glidden paint is donating the paint and supplies. Gold Coast Contractors are donating labor and Ventura Rental is providing the boom lifts.

The address of RiverHaven is 3750 Olivas Park Drive. The entrance is on Harbor Blvd.

Jeff Schecter is the manager but began as a RiverHaven resident. He demonstrated responsibility and had a background in property management and construction hence was promoted to camp manager.

This occurred after RiverHaven tents were replaced with the domes and the facility was reopened. The improved program structure needed an on-site camp manager.

Right now there are 3-4 vacancies.

Some referrals have come from Ventura's Sleeping in Cars program.

### Announcements

The League of Women Voters is hosting a Forum on Homelessness on November 13<sup>th</sup>. It will be at the Ventura County School Board Conference Center. 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Program: Facts and Myths about Homelessness  
Review of the 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness  
Challenges that remain

November 13<sup>th</sup> Cardboard signs will be “flown” all over Ventura – educating the public about homelessness (no money to be collected)

November 13<sup>th</sup> Films to be shown at UU Church in the evening

Clyde R. shared information about the Veterans' per diem grant he applied for. He was unsuccessful this round but will apply again. He learned his cost per bed was higher than other applicants and he is unsure how they finance their programs.

One project was funded in California – in the Los Angeles area.

He needs more leveraged funding and will be applying for other funds such as County HOME funds and State EHAP capital funds.

The VA is looking for projects that are ready to go so he is working on getting all his funding in place for the next round of per Diem application.

### Next (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday) Meeting

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

December 18 2010

4:30-6:00 PM

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