



Dream Homes Community Center

To: Mayor Mark Boughton and the Common Council
From: Karl Myers, on behalf of the Dream Homes Community Center collaborative
Re: November 24, 2008 monthly report

I. Program Synopsis

Per the proposal endorsed by Mayor Boughton and the Common Council, the Dream Homes Community Center (DHCC) is a collaborative effort of 3 agencies: Housing Authority of the City of Danbury, The Association of Religious Communities, and We CAHR. The collaborative has financial and in-kind partners, to date: The City of Danbury, Mc Cue Mortgage, an Anonymous Donor, Housing Authority, ARC & We CAHR, Town of New Fairfield, and the Town of Ridgefield, HUD-CDBG and HUD HMIS Grant, DSS Beyond Shelter CT Grant.

Dream Homes works with 3 populations:

- 1) Point of Entry for persons who are homeless
- 2) Rentals
- 3) First-time Home ownership

All three of the above components are a part of Dream Homes. The Point of Entry is not a separate program; rather, it is 1 of the 3 components of Dream Homes ~ per the proposal passed by Mayor Boughton and the Common Council.

The collaborative Leadership Team shares responsibilities for leadership, decision-making, risk-taking, and fundraising. This report is submitted by Karl Myers on behalf of the collaborative Leadership Team, which also includes: Rev. Phyllis J. Leopold, Jean Bowen, Patricia Tomka, and Carolyn Sistrunk.

In addition to the Leadership Team, salaried professionals implement the program:

Program Director (full-time): Karl Myers
Housing Advocate for Persons with Disabilities (part-time): Jeanne Braude-Magi

I. Operations

- DHCC has hired Melanie Karkos as a part-time Housing Coordinator for the Beyond Shelter CT Program. Melanie's first day will be December 1, 2008.

II. Outreach & Education

- DHCC along with the Hispanic Center held a tenants and landlord "Know Your Rights" workshop on Thursday November 6. Attorney Tom Ford of CT legal Services was the guest speaker.
- DHCC hosted a Legislative Breakfast to discuss housing issues on Tuesday November 18th. The event was well attended by 7 local regional legislators, Mayor Boughton, members of the Danbury CoC and the featured speaker was Carol Walter, Executive Director of The CT Coalition to End Homelessness.
- DHCC spoke at the Morris Ave School on October 30th on the rental portion of the program.
- DHCC Program Director spoke at a Sociology Class at West Conn on October 20, 2008 on the 2007 HMIS Data Report.

B) Rental

- DHCC prevented the eviction of a single mother and her two children in October.

C) Regional

- The New Milford Emergency Shelter opened November 9th for the season.

D) Community Involvement

- DHCC will be attending and having a display table at the World Aids breakfast on December 2nd.
- DHCC along with We CHAR will be participating in Project Homeless Connect on Wednesday December 3rd.

III. Point of Entry

- MCCA has been given the paperwork to sign up on HMIS for their shelter program and for their transitional housing program. Timeline for implementation is TBD.
- Dorothy Day has supplied DHCC with their daily sign in sheets for the months of September and October. DHCC is now entering that data into HMIS.
- A second HMIS training session was held for three of the property managers at the Housing Authority of the City of Danbury.
- CCEH has given DHCC an additional reporting program to be used on HMIS data reporting.

HUD Annual Progress Report (HUD-40118)
October 1 to October 31, 2008
All Danbury CoC Agencies using HMIS

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Report Options:

Provider Group

Danbury CoC Monthly Reports

Unduplicated

Provider

-Select-



This provider AND its children.



This provider ONLY.

Operating Year Date Range

10/01/2008

to

10/31/2008

(mm/dd/yyyy)

Legal Adult Age

18

(as defined by foster care law in your state)

Or

-Select-

* The numbers generated by this HUD report may not be valid for agency reporting unless you shadow an Agency Administrator or Executive Director to run the report.

2. Persons Served during the operating year.	Number of Singles Not in Families	Number of Adults in Families	Number of Children in Families	Number of Families
a. Number on the first day of the operating year.	<u>146</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>33</u>	17
b. Number entering program during the operating year.	<u>96</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	3
c. Number who left the program during the operating year.	<u>26</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	2
d. Number in the program on the last day of the operating year. (a+b-c=d)	216	20	35	18
3. Project Capacity.	Number of Singles Not in Families	Number of Adults in Families	Number of Children in Families	Number of Families
a. Number on last day (from 2d, columns 1 and 4)	216			18

4. Non-homeless persons. (Sec. 8 SRO projects only)

How many income-eligible non-homeless persons were housed by the SRO program during the operating year?

48

5. Age and Gender. Of those who entered during the operating year, how many people are in the following age and gender categories?

Age

Male

Female

Other/Not given

Single Persons (from 2b, column 1)	a. 62 and over	<u>2</u>	0	0
	b. 51 - 61	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	0
	c. 31 - 50	<u>35</u>	<u>18</u>	0
	d. 18 - 30	<u>21</u>	<u>8</u>	0
	e. 17 and under	0	0	0
	Not given	0	0	0
Persons in Families (from 2b, columns 2 & 3)	f. 62 and over	0	0	0
	g. 51 - 61	0	0	0
	h. 31 - 50	0	<u>1</u>	0
	i. 18 - 30	0	<u>2</u>	0
	j. 13 - 17	0	<u>1</u>	0
	k. 6 - 12	<u>2</u>	0	0
	l. 1 - 5	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	0
	m. Under 1	<u>1</u>	0	0
	Not given	0	0	0
6 - 10. Participants who entered during the operating year.				
6a. Veterans Status.				
A veteran is anyone who has ever been on active military duty status.				<u>9</u>
6b. Chronically Homeless.				
How many participants were chronically homeless individuals?				<u>24</u>
7. Ethnicity.				
a. Hispanic or Latino				<u>19</u>
b. Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino				<u>80</u>
8. Race.				
a. American Indian or Alaskan Native				0
b. Asian				0
c. Black or African American				<u>9</u>
d. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander				0
e. White				<u>77</u>
f. American Indian/Alaskan Native & White				0
g. Asian & White				0
h. Black/African American & White				0
i. American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American				0
j. Other Multi-Racial				0
k. Other/Unknown (all that do not match)				<u>13</u>
9a. Special Needs.				
		All	Chronic	
a. Mental illness		<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	
b. Alcohol abuse		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	
c. Drug abuse		<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>	
d. HIV/AIDS or related diseases		0	0	
e. Developmental disability		0	0	

f. Physical disability	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>		
g. Domestic violence	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>		
h. Other (please specify)	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
9b. Disabled.				
How many of the participants are disabled?		<u>17</u>		
10. Prior Living Situation. Participants slept in the following places the week prior to entering.				
	All	Chronic		
a. Non-housing (street, park, car, bus station, etc.)	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>		
b. Emergency shelter	<u>25</u>	<u>8</u>		
c. Transitional housing for homeless persons	<u>1</u>			
d. Psychiatric facility	<u>0</u>			
e. Substance abuse treatment facility	<u>4</u>			
f. Hospital	<u>0</u>			
g. Jail/prison	<u>6</u>			
h. Domestic violence situation	<u>0</u>			
i. Living with relatives/friends	<u>19</u>			
j. Rental housing	<u>17</u>			
k. Other (please specify)	<u>19</u>			
11. Amount and Source of Monthly Income at Entry and Exit. Participants who left during the operating year.				
Amount	A. Monthly Income at Entry		B. Monthly Income at Exit	
	All	Chronic	All	Chronic
a. No Income	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2</u>
b. \$1-150	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>
c. \$151 - \$250	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
d. \$251 - \$500	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
e. \$501 - \$1000	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
f. \$1001 - \$1500	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
g. \$1501 - \$2000	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
h. \$2000 +	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
Source	C. Income Sources at Entry		D. Income Sources at Exit	
	All	Chronic	All	Chronic
a. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
b. Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
c. Social Security	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
d. General Public Assistance	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
e. Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
f. State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
g. Veterans benefits	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
h. Employment Income	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
i. Unemployment Benefits	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
j. Veteran's Health Care	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

k. Medicaid	0	0	0	0
l. Food Stamps	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>
m. Other (please specify)	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>
n. No financial resources	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>
12a. Length of Stay in Program. Participants who left during the operating year.				
		All	Chronic	
a. Less than 1 month		<u>18</u>	<u>4</u>	
b. 1 to 2 months		<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	
c. 3 - 6 months		<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	
d. 7 months - 12 months		<u>2</u>	0	
e. 13 months - 24 months		0	0	
f. 25 months - 3 years		0	0	
g. 4 years - 5 years		0	0	
h. 6 years - 7 years		0	0	
i. 8 years - 10 years		0	0	
j. over 10 years		0	0	
12b. Length of Stay in Program. Participants who did not leave during the operating year.				
		All	Chronic	
a. Less than 1 month		<u>65</u>	<u>18</u>	
b. 1 to 2 months		<u>34</u>	<u>3</u>	
c. 3 - 6 months		<u>29</u>	<u>6</u>	
d. 7 months - 12 months		<u>54</u>	<u>14</u>	
e. 13 months - 24 months		<u>37</u>	<u>9</u>	
f. 25 months - 3 years		<u>12</u>	<u>2</u>	
g. 4 years - 5 years		<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	
h. 6 years - 7 years		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	
i. 8 years - 10 years		<u>1</u>	0	
j. over 10 years		0	0	
13. Reasons for Leaving. Participants who left during the operating year.				
			All	Chronic
a. Left for a housing opportunity before completing program			<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
b. Completed program			<u>21</u>	<u>3</u>
c. Non-payment of rent/occupancy charge			0	0
d. Non-compliance with project			0	0
e. Criminal activity / destruction of property / violence			0	0
f. Reached maximum time allowed in project			<u>1</u>	0
g. Needs could not be met by project			0	0
h. Disagreement with rules/persons			0	0
i. Death			0	0
j. Other (please specify)			<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
k. Unknown/disappeared			<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
14. Destination. Participants who left during the operating year.				

		All	Chronic
PERMANENT (a - h)	a. Rental house or apartment (no subsidy)	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>
	b. Public Housing	1	0
	c. Section 8	0	0
	d. Shelter Plus Care	0	0
	e. HOME subsidized house or apartment	0	0
	f. Other subsidized house or apartment	0	0
	g. Homeownership	0	0
	h. Moved in with family or friends	0	0
TRANSITIONAL (i - j)	i. Transitional housing for homeless persons	<u>2</u>	0
	j. Moved in with family or friends	0	0
INSTITUTION (k - m)	k. Psychiatric hospital	0	0
	l. Inpatient alcohol/drug treatment facility	0	0
	m. Jail/prison	0	0
EMERGENCY SHELTER (n)	n. Emergency shelter	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>
OTHER (o - q)	o. Other supportive housing	0	0
	p. Places not meant for human habitation (e.g. street)	0	0
	q. Other (please specify)	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
UNKNOWN	r. Unknown	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
15. Supportive Services. Participants who left during the operating year.			
No supportive services found.			

Needs/Service Report: October 1, 2008 to October 31,2008

Need Type	Total	Pending	Fully Met	Partially Met	Unmet	Follow up Pending
Food Pantries (BD-1800.2000)	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Emergency Shelter (BH-1800)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Homeless Shelter (BH-1800.8500)	<u>412</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
Housing Counseling (BH-3700)	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Rental Deposit Assistance (BH-3800.7250)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
Public Housing (BH-7000.4600-600)	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (BH-7000.4600-700)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
Supportive Housing (BH-8400)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Transitional Housing/Shelter (BH-8600)	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Bathing Facilities (BM-6500.6500-150)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Temporary Financial Assistance (BR)	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Child Support Assistance/Enforcement (FT-3000.1600)	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Substance Abuse Services (LX)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Substance Abuse Treatment Programs (LX-8450)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Employment (ND)	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
SSI (NL-1000.8100)	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TANF (NL-1000.8500)	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Food Stamps (NL-6000.2000)	<u>17</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>
Social Health Insurance (NS-8000)	<u>13</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Mental Health Care and Counseling (R)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total (20 Need Types)	<u>477</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>454</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>

Zip Code Report
January 1, 2008 to October 31,2008

<u>Zip Code</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Number of Persons</u>	<u>Zip Code</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Number of Persons</u>
06810/06811	Danbury	CT	295		Maine		5
06776	New Milford	CT	63		Florida		6
06702	Waterbury	CT	42		Colorado		2
06801	Bethel	CT	35		Wyoming		1
06804	Brookfield	CT	18		New York State		31
06512	New Haven	CT	10		Virginia		3
06854	Norwalk	CT	9		Texas		1
06877	Ridgefield	CT	7		Tennessee		5
06488	Southbury	CT	7		Georgia		6
06606	Bridgeport	CT	6		West Virginia		2
06790	Torrington	CT	5		California		4
06470	Newtown	CT	5		Pennsylvania		2
06902	Stamford	CT	4		Oklahoma		1
06112	Hartford	CT	3		New Jersey		3
06482	Sandy Hook	CT	2		New Hampshire		1
06812	New Fairfield	CT	2		North Carolina		3
06752	Bridgewater	CT	2		Maryland		5
	Rest of Connecticut		45		Kentucky		1

HMIS Data Analysis

Total clients entered into HMIS by <i>all</i> Danbury CoC agencies:	1987
Identified as Chronically Homeless:	509
Identified as Military Veteran:	112
Pregnant:	87
Unemployed at time of entry:	1176
Homelessness Primary Reason:	

Unemployed	266	Domestic Violence Victim	27
Substance Abuse	176	Loss of Job	17
Family Breakup	189	Criminal Activity	12
Out of Jail/Prison	158	New to Area	18
Legal Eviction	122	Family Abuse	12
Family Friend Eviction	79	Health/Safety	11
Left Voluntarily	71	Underemployment/Low Income	5
Mental Health	39	Physical Illness	6
Lack of Income	33	Disaster Victim	2
Mental Illness	29	Loss of Transportation	8
Expenses Exceed Income	29	Mortgage Foreclosure	10
Release from Institution	24	Substandard Housing	7
Medical Condition	15	Loss of Child Care	1
Divorced/Separated	28	No Reason Entered	567
No Affordable Housing	19	Loss of Public Assistance	2
		Disaster Victim	5

Total

1987

Dream Homes Community Center Collaborative
Preventing Homelessness and Rental Issues

Total number of new clients served by the collaborative **this month:** __6__

Race/Ethnicity

White__5_ Black __ Native American__ Asian__ Hispanic/Latino_1__ Other__

Family Information

Total Families: __2__ Female_1__ Male_3__ Minors/ Parents (under 18)____
Total Singles: __2__ Female____ Male_2__ Minor (under 18)____

Age

0-5__ 6-12__ 13-17__ 18-20__ 21-25__ 26-34__1__ 35-49_4__ 50-64__1__
65+__

Education Level

No High School____ Some High School__1__ High School Diploma/GED__4__
Some College/Degree____ Graduate School____ Unknown_1__

Income Information

Employed__1_ SAGA____ Child Support____ SSI__1_ SSDI____
Unemploy. Comp_1__ Veteran____ None____ TFA_1__ Other__

Housing Issues

Disaster Victim____ Deinstitutionalized____ Lockout____ Legal Eviction____
Out of Jail/Prison____ Left Voluntarily____ Fmly/Friend Eviction__2__ Other__1__

Contributing Factors

Substance Abuse____ Expenses Exceed Income____ Unemployed____
Physical Illness____ New to Area____ Divorced/Separated____
Family Abuse____ Mental Illness__1__ Other__2__

IV. First Time Home Ownership/Housing

- No new information in this area.