

**City of Danbury  
Department of Welfare & Social Services**

**July/August 2004**

**Service Activities:** Department staff record activities on a daily basis. Activities can be referrals to other agencies or they can be direct services such as emergency Rx, application completion for state or federal assistance & indigent drug programs & applications for housing; security or back rent payments. These are activities/services performed by staff at 254 Main Street and do not include the activities of the homeless services division, which are reported on separately. Categories into which service activities fall are:

Service activity category	july	august
Food Assistance	7	18
Housing	27	25
Medical: including assessments for WOW, Americares	100	112
Indigent Prescription applications	96	102
Legal Issues	1	3
Evictions	7	5
State DSS	30	
Substance Abuse		
Case management	11	13
Vocational		
Neighborhood		
Social Security	1	
Energy assistance	4	3

**\*There were 41 people who requested that the City assist them with their housing problems during the months of July and August**

14 were seeking housing and needed housing search assistance; 2 were housed;  
10 seeking back rent assistance- 4 denied, 4 pending 1 referred to another agency  
14 received assistance with some other aspect of housing, legal referrals, mediation etc.  
housing retention & advocacy services (2 retained)

**\*The requests consisted of the following family compositions:**

4 adult couples  
25 single adults (9 elderly)  
8 single parent families: 19 children  
4 2-parent families: 5 children

**\*Shelter: Night Shelter**

**July: 35 different individuals used the nighttime shelter none were turned away for lack of beds and there was a 54% occupancy rate for the month.**

**August: 32, one turned away for lack of beds, 84% occupancy rate.**

**Day Center:**

167 Different homeless people were provided services during the month of July; 159 in August.  
33 initial assessments were completed  
8 persons found permanent employment  
1 person found housing or were placed in housing programs  
29 referrals for substance abuse treatment were made

**Attached Eviction Stats for the entire year and Housing Request data for the FY 2003-2004**



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**HOUSING REFERRALS** for City Welfare & Social Services Department 7/1/03 – 6/30/04

**Requests**

Back Rent Total: **60**

Security Deposit Total: **28**

Total Number Cases Served with Money Assistance: **13**

Total Amount of Money Spent: **\$10,448.21**

Average Amount Spent Per Case: **\$803.71**

Assistance Ranged: **\$427.50 to \$1378.00**

Security Deposit Assistance: 4 for a total of **\$3878.00**

Rental Assistance

Back Rent: 9 for a total of **\$6,570.21**

Rent:

Separate Fund:

Housing Trust Fund: 3 for a total of **\$465.00**



## Eviction Statistics for Fiscal Year July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004

Total Executions Scheduled: 73

Break down:

Summary Process: 72  
Ejectments / Foreclosure: 1

Executed: 17

Type Executed of the 17:

Homes / Foreclosures 0  
Apartments / Rooms: 17

Cancelled: 55

Prior to Eviction Date: 49  
On Site: 6  
Reasons for Cancellation:  
Bankruptcy / Injunction: 2  
Infestation / Junk: 2  
Landlord Negotiations: 3  
Moving Self: 28  
Other: 20

Claimed: 3

Paid: \$46.85

Public Auctions: 5

Lots: 14  
Claimed: 1

Money Received from Lots Claimed Prior to Public Auction: 85

Money Received from Public Auctions: 0

Total Revenue: \$131.85

Known Human Statistics As Result of Executed Evictions:

Suicide – man, 50 years old – 4 days after eviction – Tarrywile Park

Homeless - woman, mid fifties – immediately after eviction and remains so to this date-  
city shelters and streets.

Homeless – woman, mid forties; two daughters, 18 and 15 years old – brief motel stay  
currently living in car; with friend, under DCF care, respectively.

Apartment – woman with minor children – moved to Waterbury immediately after  
eviction.

Apartment - young couple with newborn infant – church placed in motel immediately  
after eviction – subsequently obtained an apartment in Danbury with church  
help.

Room - woman, mid forties – with friend immediately after eviction – currently rents  
room in Bethel.