

**WCICCC Full Continuum Meeting and Conference Call
MCS Community Services, 345 West State, Jacksonville, IL
March 5, 2009, 10:30 a.m.**

Attendees at Meeting: Tammi Lonergan, MCS; Glenda Farkas, WCICIL; Dan Little, MCS; Eileen Worthington, ROE 26; Judi James, ROE 46; Sarah Van Aken, Jacksonville School Dist 117 Early Years

Attendees via Phone: On phone were: Barb Chapin, Transitions; Cindy Grawe, Madonna House; Melissa Holden, YWCA; Suzan Nash, WIRC; Royal White, WIRC; Ryan Amos, WIU Student Intern; Anita Brown; Anne Loddell, WIRC

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Housing Provider Update/Personnel Changes
3. 2008 SuperNOFA Announcements – In February, HUD announce the results of the 2008 CoC Grant competition. YWCA of Quincy, MCS Community Services, and Western Illinois Regional Council received notice that their existing programs would receive funding for another year. These programs also receive a 1% increase in funds initially requested. The YWCA of Quincy submitted a request for a new rapid rehousing project, unfortunately it was not funded. The region received \$626,857.
4. Neighborhood Stabilization – Please see attached e-mail message from Lore Baker and web site printouts. The HUD Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) is intended to provide emergency assistance to state and local governments to acquire and redeveloped foreclosed properties that might otherwise become sources of abandonment and blight within their communities. The Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) is the lead entity on disbursing funds. More information can be found at: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=40593> Application for NSP funds is due April 17, 2009. Six application and technical assistance workshops will happen in different location in Illinois between March 9 and March 17. The DHS web site gives details on locations.
5. DHS Homeless Prevention Application – The annual DHS Homeless Prevention Program funding application is due March 13. Two Rivers Regional Council, MCS Community Services, and Western Illinois Regional Council are the three agencies that distribute the funds in the region.
6. HMIS Expansion – HUD requires CoC-funded agencies to be on a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). HUD also wants continuums to have 65% of their shelter's to be on the HMIS.
7. WCICCC Social Work Intern Update Intern – Ryan Amos is the social work intern that is working with Lori Sutton on continuum related projects. Ryan plans on graduating from Western Illinois University in May. Ryan participated with the Quincy team on their point-in-time (PIT) unsheltered count; she has been gathering the PIT shelter information and looking at creating a report of the information gathered this year and previous years; evaluating the PIT process; and creating a history of the continuum documents.
8. Point-in-time (PIT) sheltered and unsheltered counts – Jan. 28, 2009 was the date for the PIT sheltered count. That date was also used for the unsheltered counts in Quincy, Macomb, and Jacksonville. An unsheltered count was performed in Beardstown on Jan. 27, 2009. The unsheltered count teams did not find homeless individuals while they were out.
9. New Business

10. Calendar for Upcoming Year

- April 9, 10:30 a.m. Steering Committee Conference Call
- May 14, 10:30 a.m. Steering Committee Conference Call
- May/June HUD CoC Grant Application Process to begin
- June 11, 10:30 a.m. Steering Committee Conference Call
- TBA Full Continuum Meeting

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NSP Announcement**Tuesday, February 24, 2009 7:24:06 PM**

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Members of the Supportive Housing Providers Association:

The Department of Housing and Urban Development has approved the State of Illinois' amended Consolidated Plan submitted to obtain Neighborhood Stabilization Funds. Congress has released the funds for the state and HUD headquarters is finalizing the grant agreement with the State of Illinois. If you go to the Illinois Department of Human Services website (www.dhs.state.il.us) and on the right side of the screen under DHS features, click on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program, you will find information about the NSP application and technical assistance workshops scheduled, and request for proposal/application materials will be available by the end of the day.

The application for NSP funds will be due by April 17, 2009 so it is vitally important that you attend the application and technical assistance workshop nearest you and begin the work on developing the strongest application possible. The Corporation for Supportive Housing will be providing technical assistance to those interested in developing supportive housing with NSP funds. They will also be presenting at the application and technical assistance workshops, along with IDHS staff, HUD staff and Illinois Housing Development Authority staff.

If you have any questions or there is any way that we can be of assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us (Lore at shpa@att.net or Janet at supportivehsg@aol.com). Let's take this opportunity to develop desperately needed supportive housing for the people we serve!

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Neighborhood Stabilization Program

The HUD Neighborhood Stabilization Program is intended to provide emergency assistance to state and local governments to acquire and redevelop foreclosed properties that might otherwise become sources of abandonment and blight within their communities. The Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) provides grants to purchase foreclosed or abandoned homes and to rehabilitate, resell, or redevelop these homes in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of house values of neighboring homes. [The program is authorized under Title III of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 \(HERA\) \(pdf\)](#).

Grant funds under NSP will be [allocated to state and designated local governments](#) to carry out specific eligible activities aimed at stabilizing distressed neighborhoods. Grantees have 18 months to obligate all funds for Eligible Activities. Applicants must then complete all activities within 4 years.

- All activities funded by NSP must benefit **low and moderate income** persons whose income does not exceed 120% of the area median income.
- At least 25% of the funds appropriated for the redevelopment of abandoned or foreclosed homes or residential property that will be used to house individuals or families whose income does not exceed 50% of the area median income. However, the State has set an additional goal to target up to 40% of the funds to benefit households whose income does not exceed 50% of the area median income.
- NSP funds cannot be used to prevent foreclosures.

Agency Designation

The Governor's Office has designated the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) as the Lead Administering Agency for the State. The [Illinois Housing Development Authority \(IHDA\)](#) and the [Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity \(DCEO\)](#) will partner with DHS to help develop the strategic statewide plan and provide expertise on the Community Development Block Grant program. These agencies are currently working on the draft plan that will outline the State of Illinois' NSP grant strategy and which will be posted on November 7th.

Request for Proposals - Now Available!

The Request for Proposal package has been published in the electronic State of Illinois Procurement Bulletin at <http://www.purchase.state.il.us>. You can access the Request for Proposal document on the DHS and IHDA websites, however these websites do not include the required appendices. Instructions for registering on the State of Illinois Procurement Bulletin are available on the DHS website.

Supporting Documents

- [Issue Brief 08-53 \(pdf\)](#)
- [NSP Registrar Notice \(pdf\)](#)



Carol L. Adams, Ph.D., Secretary

NSP Application & Technical Assistance Workshops

The State will hold a series of Application and Technical Assistance Workshops for potential applicants.

Reasonable Accommodations will be provided upon request. Please contact [Kirstin Williams](#) by Monday, March 2, 2009 so that arrangements can be made.

All attendees MUST register using the [NSP Workshop Registration Form \(pdf\)](#). All Registration Forms should be sent via fax (312-793-2351) or email DHS.IllinoisNSP@illinois.gov.

Workshop Schedule

Date	City	Location	Est. Time
Monday, March 9	Peoria	Proctor Professional Building 5409 N. Knoxville Peoria, IL 61614	9 - 4:30pm
Tuesday, March 10	Springfield	Dept. of Natural Resources One Natural Way Springfield, IL 62702	9 - 4:30pm
Wednesday, March 11	Marion/Carbondale	Mantra Con Corp. 3000 W. DeYoung, Ste 800B Marion, IL 62959	9 - 4:30pm
Thursday, March 12	Alton/East St. Louis	IMPACT 2735 E. Broadway Alton, IL 62002	9 - 4:30pm
Monday, March 16	Rockford	La Voz Latina 412 Market Street Rockford, IL 61107	9 - 4:30pm
Tuesday, March 17	Chicago	TBA	9 - 4:30pm

Tentative Agenda/Topics

- I. Overview of Neighborhood Stabilization Program
- II. State of Illinois Plan
- III. Application Overview
 - A. Q & A
- IV. HUD Presentation (tentative)
 - A. Q & A
- V. Financing workshop with IHDA (tentative)
- VI. Concurrent Break-out Sessions
 - A. Permanent Supportive Housing
 - B. Homeownership
 - C. Minority Developers