Present
Amanda Davis: Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs/WIU (Macomb)
Anne Dixon: Western Illinois Regional Council (Macomb)
Barb Baker Chapin: Transitions of Western Illinois (Quincy)
Cheryl Esselman: Two Rivers Regional Council (Quincy)
Cynthia Grawe: Madonna House (Quincy)
Glenda Farkas: West Central Illinois Center for Independent Living (Quincy)
Heidi Prather: Salvation Army (Quincy)
Lori Sutton: Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs/WIU (Macomb)
Mary Muehlenfeld: YWCA of Quincy
Sherri Koob: VA Homeless Outreach Center (Rock Island)
Suzan Nash: Western Illinois Regional Council (Macomb)

Minutes
1. Welcome (Glenda Farkas)
2. Roll Call (Lori Sutton)
3. Provider Update/Personnel Changes
    a. YWCA: New Administrative Assistant, Amy. At capacity.
    b. WIRC: units all filled with waiting list
    c. Transitions: units are filled, no personnel changes
    d. Madonna House: full, no changes
    e. VA: Emergency housing will be available in Davenport for vets with families. Stand Down 2011: September 15-17 at QCCA Expo Center.
    f. Salvation Army: Croc Center opening September 17. Breaking ground in a few weeks on new family services building, which will continue to house 14. Housing 9 right now.
4. CoC Grant Released
    a. Permanent housing bonus is $56,795.
        i. Notice of intent is due to Lori by September 22. Let Lori know ASAP if agencies plan to contact their boards.
        ii. Matrix will be used if multiple agencies express interest.
    b. Grant is due Oct. 28, 2011
    c. MCS is letting go excess funds from their transitional housing grant. MCS's current grant supports 3 housing units; they plan to expand to five units. There is $28,000 available – Lori has asked for $2,000 for HMIS services and the YWCA is looking at $26,000 to apply for additional units of permanent supportive housing. There is a process that lets organization give back money to start a new project in the CoC Exhibit 1. Unfortunately, it is not a given that the project will be funded, so there is the possibility the CoC could lose the grant funds. To give the CoC the best option of keeping the money, the CoC approached the YWCA to see if they could apply for a project, since they have a proven track record with transitional and permanent supportive housing projects funded by HUD's CoC Homeless Assistance Program.
5. HMIS
    a. MISI HMIS Training / Planning Session, Wednesday, Oct. 5 in St. Louis (handout) 8:30-3:00. Lori and Mary attending, Tammy seeking approval to attend.
    b. HMIS / HPRP - The HPRP agencies need to have their funds, except for data collection,

spent by Sept. 15.
  c. HMIS training by ROSIE/MISI – Does anyone need HMIS training? The YWCA has requested some training that ROSIE does via webinar and they have asked if anyone else will need the training in our CoC area? Tammi and Anne expressed interest in training.
  d. Estimates to Upgrade HMIS with Education and Veteran Reports (handout). It will cost $2,210 to make all upgrades. If ran through the CoC grant, then the cash match is $442. The Regional Office of Education and the VA are unable to help financially to make the changes. It was suggested to see if all agencies using the HMIS could contribute a $65-$100 to make the necessary changes - YWCA, Salvation Army, Madonna House, Samaritan Well, WIRC, MCS, New Directions). Suzan and Mary are willing to contribute funds. The changes to the HMIS should make it easier for clients with school-age children or veterans to get services they qualify for.
6. Other Business
  a. Illinois Hardest Hit Program (handout) Handout will be sent to CoC area banks and churches. CoC agencies are asked to email lists of local churches to Lori, if available.
  b. Mandatory HPRP training September 15 in Springfield.
7. Meeting Schedule:
  a. Oct. 13, 2011, 10:30 a.m. Steering Committee Conference Call
  b. Nov. 10, 2011, 10:30 a.m. Full Continuum Meeting/Conference Call, MCS Community Services, 345 West State, Jacksonville, IL, Well Center Staff Person to be Guest Speaker
  c. Jan. 12, 2012, 10:30 a.m. Steering Commttee Conference Call

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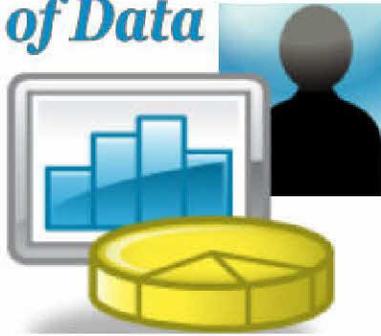
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Registration for this one-day event is free. A continental breakfast, mid-morning break, and lunch are included. *Travel costs associated with attending the conference are an eligible HUD SHP expense.*

Registration is now open
Registration Deadline: September 26th, 2011
Register by email: maita@misi.org

COST FOR ALL 3 ESTIMATES: $2,210 (HUD Cash Match 20% or $442)

Children's Education

Quote 1: Under the Counselor menu of ROSIE/Reports/School Age Children Listing is a report that we would like to have some changes made. ***COST: $390 (HUD Cash Match=$78)***

1. The report needs to pull children/clients under age 22.
2. The report needs to be attached to a time frame selection.
3. The report needs to show all children in the household, currently only shows 1 child when more are present.
4. The report needs to pull the entire CoC, not just an agency
5. Rather than address that is currently listed in the report we need to have agency name the client is tied to.

Quote 2: On page 101-103 of the HMIS Data Standards, March 2010, there are some optional program-specific data elements related to children's education. We would like to get an estimate of adding these data fields, listed below, to system and having four reports. ***COST: $910 (HUD Cash Match=$182)***

Optional Program-Specific Data Element	
4.15F Children's Education	**Response Categories**
Current enrollment status Current enrollment status would be a required field	0 = No 1 = Yes 8 = Don't know 9 = Refused
If yes, name of child's school	_____ (Example: Lone Pine Elementary School)
If yes, was/is the child connected to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act school liaison?	0 = No 1 = Yes 8 = Don't know 9 = Refused
If yes, type of school	1 = Public school 2 = Parochial or other private school 8 = Don't know 9 = Refused
If not enrolled, last date of enrollment	__ __/__ __ __ __ (Month) (Year)

Optional Program-Specific Data Element	
4.15F Children's Education	**Response Categories**
If not enrolled, identify problems in enrolling child	1 = None 2 = Residency requirements 3 = Availability of school records 4 = Birth certificates 5 = Legal guardianship requirements 6 = Transportation 7 = Lack of available preschool programs 10 = Immunization requirements 11 = Physical examination records
	12 = Other
	8 = Don't know
	9 = Refused

In addition to the items in the data standards, we would also like the following data field to be added:

Children's Education	Response Categories
If yes, grade level	PK = Pre K K = Kindergarten 1 = 1st Grade 2 = 2nd Grade 3 = 3rd Grade 4 = 4th Grade 5 = 5th Grade 6 = 6th Grade 7 = 7th Grade 8 = 8th Grade 9 = 9th Grade 10 = 10th Grade 11 = 11th Grade 12 = 12th Grade 13 = Don't know 14 = Refused
If yes, city and state of child's school	_____ (Example: Mt. Sterling, IL)
Was the child enrolled in school within 72 hours of entering program?	0 = No 1 = Yes 2 = Yes, the child was enrolled in school before entering the program.
If no, how many hours did it take to get the child enrolled in school?	_____ hours
This past school year, the student attended what percent of school days?	1 = 90% or higher 2 = 75% to 89% 3 = less than 75%

Year of attendance percentage?	__ __ __ __ (Year)

There will be four reports listing this data.

Report 1: Should be a CoC-wide report that lists all educational data, including the child's name and parent name. This report should be tied to a time frame selection, and pull children/clients under age 22. All children in the household need to appear on this report.

Report 2: Should be the same as report 1, but based on the agency (not a CoC-wide report).

Report 3: This is an agency-based report, should show aggregate data on "Was the child enrolled in school within 72 hours of entering program?" by response category. The report should also include the number of students the response category information is based on. This report should also be tied to a time frame selection, i.e. 1/1/2011 to 12/31/2011.

Report 4: This is an agency-based report, should show aggregate data on the number of school-aged children enrolled by response category. This should also include the number of students the response category information is based on. This report should also be tied to a time frame selection.

Report 3 & 4 can be put together if the programming allows.

Veteran's Information

Quote 3: Under the Counselor menu of ROSIE/Reports/Veterans Listing is a report that we would like to have some changes made. *COST: $910 (HUD Cash Match=$182)*

1. The report needs to be attached to a time frame selection.
2. The report needs to pull the entire CoC, not just an agency
3. Rather than address that is currently listed in the report we need to have agency name the client is tied to.
4. Add SSN to this report, remove Address and Vet Status Confirmed

On page 99-101 of the HMIS Data Standards, March 2010, there are some optional program-specific data elements related to veteran's information. We would like to get an estimate of adding these data fields to system and having this information added to the Veterans Listing report.

Optional Program-Specific Data Element	
4.15E Veteran's Information	**Response Categories**
Military service eras	1 = Persian Gulf Era (August 1991 – September 10, 2001) 2 = Post Vietnam (May 1975 – July 1991) 3 = Vietnam Era (August 1964 – April 1975) 4 = Between Korean and Vietnam War (February 1955– July 1964) 5 = Korean War (June 1950 – January 1955) 6 = Between WWII and Korean War (August 1947 – May 1950) 7 = World War II (September 1940 – July 1947) 8 = Don't know 9 = Refused 10 = Post September 11, 2001 (September 11, 2001 -Present)
Duration of active duty	_____ months
Served in a war zone	0 = No 1 = Yes 8 = Don't know 9 = Refused
If yes, name of war zone	1 = Europe 2 = North Africa 3 = Vietnam 4 = Laos and Cambodia 5 = South China Sea 6 = China, Burma, India 7 = Korea 8 = South Pacific 9 = Persian Gulf 10 = Other 11 = Afghanistan 12 = Don't know 13 = Refused
If yes, number of months in war zone	_____ Months
If yes, received hostile or friendly fire	0 = No 1 = Yes 8 = Don't know 9 = Refused

Optional Program-Specific Data Element	
4.15E Veteran's Information	Response Categories
Branch of the military	1 = Army 2 = Air Force 3 = Navy 4 = Marines 5 = Other 8 = Don't know 9 = Refused
Discharge status	1 = Honorable 2 = General 3 = Medical 4 = Bad conduct 5 = Dishonorable 6 = Other 8 = Don't know 9 = Refused

Date

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Dear *Recipient:*

The West Central Illinois Continuum of Care Consortium (WCICCC) is pleased to share information about the Illinois Hardest Hit Program. The Illinois Hardest Hit Program was developed to offer temporary mortgage assistance to households that are struggling financially due to involuntary unemployment or underemployment. The State of Illinois has received $445,603,557 from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) and the U.S. Department of Treasury in order to provide assistance to homeowners.

The Illinois Hardest Hit program offers two types of assistance to applicants:
1. **Reinstatement assistance** will pay mortgage arrearages, fees, and penalties in full.
2. **Monthly mortgage payment assistance** will pay 100% of the mortgage payment owed to the servicer for up to 18 months while the household makes monthly contribution payments to the Illinois Housing Development Authority during their enrollment in the program. Maximum assistance is $25,000, depending on location.

The WCICCC is a network of social service providers who work together to address the problems of homelessness. It has been working together to serve the precariously housed in west-central Illinois since 1997. The WCICCC serves eleven counties in west-central Illinois: Adams, Brown, Cass, Hancock, Henderson, McDonough, Morgan, Pike, Schuyler, Scott, and Warren counties.

Please see the Illinois Hardest Hit Program website, www.illinoishardesthit.org, for more information. Enclosed you will find a printout of the Illinois Hardest Hit Program homepage. Thank you in advance in sharing information on this new program.

Sincerely,

Glenda Farkas, Chair
West Central Illinois Continuum of Care Consortium
c/o West Central Illinois Center for Independent Living
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PO Box 1065
Quincy, IL 62301

Welcome to the Illinois Hardest Hit Program

Welcome. We're here to help.

The Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) has partnered with the U.S. Department of Treasury to offer temporary mortgage payment assistance to households that are struggling with income loss due to unemployment or underemployment, but are working to regain sufficient income to keep their home. Borrowers may be currently experiencing an income loss or experienced one in the past that caused them to get behind on their mortgage payments.

Follow the step-by-step instructions on this site to apply. Once you begin your application, you will be assigned to a review agency who will assist you through the application process and help review your eligibility for the program.

Para información en español, haga clic aqui.

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 - WARNING - **www.illinoishardesthit.org** is the **OFFICIAL** website for the Illinois Hardest Hit Program. **APPLICATION IS FREE.** You will not be asked to pay for any eligibility determination services related to this application.

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Start Now!

How do I qualify?

You must meet all of the following eligibility requirements to participate in the program:

- Property must be located in Illinois
- Households must have a documented income reduction of 25% due to unemployment or underemployment through no fault of their own
- Household income must be at or below 120% of the area median income
- Principal loan balance must not be more than $500,000
- Household liquid assets cannot exceed 3 months of mortgage payments
- Property must be the primary and only residence of all borrowers/owners
- Property can be a 1-4 unit building, providing the household resides in one unit
- Homeowners must carry a fixed or adjustable rate loan. Interest-only or negative amortization loans are not acceptable
- Current servicer of the mortgage must agree to accept payments
- Applicant(s) must not have been convicted of a mortgage-related felony in the last ten years
- Available HHF assistance is sufficient to cure the delinquency and make required forward payments, if necessary to satisfy program guidelines.

What steps do I need to take?

Click the "Start Now" button above. To begin, you must set up a profile. Follow the step by step instructions to work your way through the application at your own pace. Do your best to answer all of the questions.   Don't worry if you are unsure of an answer, simply enter the answer you believe to be correct.

You will then be assigned to a program review agency (a non-profit housing agency that has been approved by IHDA) to assist you and to help determine your eligibility for the program. You will receive an email providing you with the contact information for your agency should you get stuck during the online application process. Once you complete your application, your agency will contact you about your next steps.