

**NEW HAVEN  
HOMELESS ADVISORY COMMISSION  
January 10, 2019**

**Agenda**

0.0 Call to Order/ Welcome/ Introductions--J. Huettner

1.0 Approval of December 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

**NEW BUSINESS**

2.0 Planning February Forum on Elderly Homelessness--J. Huettner

2.1 Discussion Focus

2.3 Participants

3.0 Update on Homeless Criminalization Resolution & Bill of Rights

4.0 Update on Affordable Housing Discussions

4.1 BOA Task Force--V. George

4.2 Legal Services Report--B. Huang

5.0 Homeless Shelter Counts--V. George

6.0 Update on CAN 2017-18 Progress/2019 Goals--T. Clark

7.0 YHHAP Update--C. Gormley

8.0 Membership Update--V. George

9.0 Announcements/News/Events

10.0 Adjournment

# City of New Haven Homeless Shelter Count Dashboard

December 2018

**Youth: Under 18 / 18-24**

Male: 0 / 16

Female: 1 / 7

Transfemales 0 / 0

**Average Singles: 243**

Couples: 0

Male: 173

Female: 70

**Families: 43**

Adults: 55

Children: 107

## Emergency Shelter Management Services

Average Count Males : 64

Highest Nightly Count: 75

Lowest Nightly Count: 43

## Columbus House Inc.

Average Count: Males – 48 Females – 50

18-24 Youth (females – 1 males – 6)

Highest Nightly Count: 76

Lowest Nightly Count: 58

**Over Flow Shelter Average: 61**

## New Reach

### Life Haven

Families- 25 Adults- 25 Children - 55

Individual Female - 2

### Martha's Place

Families - 3 Adults- 3 Children - 4

Individual Females - 18

## Christian Community Action

### Hillside Family Shelter – Davenport

Families – 5 Adults- 11 Children- 17

### Hillside Family Shelter – Sylvan

Families - 10 Adult- 16 Children- 31

## Youth Continuum Inc.

**Under 18                      18 -24**

Males - 0                      Males - 10

Females - 1                      Females- 6

Trans-females- 0

## Warming Centers - CLOSED

# CITY OF NEW HAVEN HOMELESS ADVISORY COMMISSION

December 13, 2018

## Minutes

### Attendance:

**Members Present:** C. Phillips Jr., J. Huettner, D. Ecton, A. Roth, N. Hogan, C. Gormley, J. Hardy

**Ex-Officio:** V. George

**Staff:** V. George

**Guests:** B. Huang, S. Marshall, A. Jones, D. Adams

**Members Excused Absent:** V. Wilson,

**Members Absent:** E Robinson, N. Torres

0.0 J. Huettner called the meeting to order with introductions.

1.0 Approval of November 8, 2018 Meeting Minutes was unanimous.

## NEW BUSINESS

2.0 Election of Officers: There was a motion by consensus to maintain the existing officers for 1 year: J. Huettner – Chair, N. Hogan - Co- Chair, V. Wilson – Parliamentarian. Motion unanimously carried.

3.0 Housing Not Hand Cuffs: J. Huettner encouraged commissioners to really read through this article. There was concern for the poor follow up by the administration on the proposed Bill of Rights and the Resolution to Decriminalize Homelessness. It was suggested that the article: Housing Not Hand Cuffs be forwarded to Corporation Counsel to add context to the proposed Bill of Rights and Resolution for Decriminalization.

It was agreed that there needs to be a shift mindset regarding the homeless; a review of how laws are being applied to the homeless; and a review of data collection on police interactions with the homeless. This commission would like to meet with the police leadership on these matters.

4.0 Forum for Elderly Homeless Individuals: This commission is concerned about the growing number of elderly individuals who are experiencing homelessness. Consequently they are planning to host a forum on the

topic. The group agreed to use a portion of the January meeting to further plan for a February Forum on Elderly Homelessness. The plan is to invite shelter providers, Department on Aging, City's Elderly Services Department, HANH, Cornell Scot Hill Health Center, Yale New Haven Hospital, BH Care, and elderly homeless individuals.

5.0 Affordable Housing Taskforce: A. Roth shared that the deadline for all affordable housing proposals was 11/30/18. In addition there will be 2 public hearings for feedback on the proposals received.

V. George shared an excerpt of CAN affordable housing proposal which included inclusionary zoning, increased Single Room Occupancy units, and auxiliary housing.

6.0 Homeless Shelter Counts: V. George shared that the Columbus House Overflow shelter opened November 19<sup>th</sup>, and maintained a nightly average of 60 guest. During the month of November there was an average of 304 single individuals, 26 youth (ages 18 – 24) and 43 families served. During the Governor's Family Challenge, New Haven county placed 43 families in permanent housing – which exceeded their goal of 40.

7.0 Meeting adjourned.