

Continuum of Care: Housing Committee  
December 14, 2005

The committee reviewed and refined the Permanent Supportive Housing Pipeline Chart (attached) which it began in November. Projects not specifically designed to include homeless individuals and families were eliminated, including the Mutual Housing Section 202 project for elderly.

The chart is a living document which should be reviewed and updated monthly. The group needs to better define permanent supportive housing in order to be clearer on which projects should be included. We also need to clarify units vs. beds for projects which pair singles together as roommates and for family programs.

There was discussion of the ambitious goal of 126 units per year for supportive housing. It was agreed that we would stick with this number as a planning goal, understanding that there will be years where we fall short and, perhaps, years where we are fortunate enough to exceed that number. We also focused on the need to define supportive housing for families, as the model will be different and may include a mix of affordable housing opportunities with a strong service network available, but not attached to the housing.

The committee then discussed who else will be needed to participate in development of the business plan. The following organizations and individuals were identified for future participation:

Funders

Connecticut Housing Finance Authority  
Department of Economic and Community Development  
Melville Charitable Trust  
Ruth Price-RBS National Bank  
People's Bank-Valencia Taft-Jackson  
GE-United Way Board Member

Developers and Providers

Mutual Housing  
Bridgeport Housing Authority (present)  
Bridgeport Housing Department (present)  
Mark Barnhart-Fairfield Planning and Community Development  
Stratford Housing Authority or Community Development  
Fairfield 2008 (present)

The group concluded by scheduling the next meeting for January 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM-United Way. We agreed that meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month for 2006.