



## HOUSING TASK FORCE MEETING

Tuesday, March 8, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

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### Members Present

Bob Long  
Bob Carstens  
Cindy Eveleigh  
Jean Derenzy  
Jeff Vitton  
Jen Hutchinson  
Carol Moorman  
Nan Smith  
Bill Merry  
Becky Ewing  
Jon Hoover

Cathy Odom  
Kris Brady  
Virginia Coulter  
David Dennison  
Pam Doty-Nation  
Carol Brito  
Julie Gardner  
Julie Courtade

### Staff Present

Sarah Lucas  
Connor Miller

### A. Welcome and Introductions

### B. Consideration of Agenda

The agenda was accepted as presented.

### C. Consideration of March 8, 2011 Meeting Minutes (attached)

The minutes were accepted as presented.

### D. Point In Time Count

S. Lucas handed out materials from Cheryl Naperala summarizing this year's point in time count.

### E. "Michigan State Housing Development Authority Discussion

Julie Gardner, MSHDA Outreach Specialist, introduced herself and explained changes in MSHDA staffing. She will be working with communities in northern lower Michigan and the Upper Peninsula to provide assistance, answer questions, and act as a liaison to MSHDA in Lansing. She discussed and answered questions on MSHDA programs and priorities, including the Main Street program, downtown rental rehabilitation, and new development.

### F. Landlord/Developer Workshop

S. Lucas stated that the Housing Task Force had discussed a workshop focused toward developers, to raise awareness of funding and partnership opportunities. Cindy Eveleigh, Goodwill, noted that the Inter-services Support Team had been discussing similar workshop opportunities geared toward landlords. The group discussed blending the two workshops and potential agenda items – i.e. partnering with nonprofits, funding opportunities for new development, rental assistance, support services, and landlord/tenant rights and responsibilities. There might be too much information to get out in just a couple hours or even a day. Members suggested the possibility of providing a series of workshops with a shared audience.

### G. Roundtable Discussion and Announcements

### H. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11 a.m.