Making a Difference: Student Conference on Ending Homelessness

Saint Augustine College MLK Student Center Raleigh, NC

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Meredith College

Department of Political Science Division of Academic Affairs

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Department of Social Work
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Saint Augustine's College

Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences Department of Criminal Justice and Political Sciences

Conference Schedule

9:00-9:30 Registration

9:30-9:45 Welcome

Dr. Dianne Boardley Suber, President, Saint Augustine College

Mr. Craig Chancellor, President, Triangle United Way and Co-Chair,

Steering

Committee for the 10-Year Plan

9:45-10:30 Round-tables

Two student papers presentations (about 5 max per paper) at each table; other students who have studied homeless issues or have been involved with homeless programs (e.g., volunteers). Tables will include a mix of students from Meredith, NCSU, and Saint Augustine

Each table will identify and summarize its recommendation(s) for 10-year

plan

The reason behind the recommendation(s)

Potential barriers to having recommendation(s) accepted/implemented Plans for involvement in homelessness (or other community problems) beyond giving input into 10- year plan

10:45-12:00 Tables report their findings/discussion

Concluding observations and summary:

Jeanne Tedrow, Executive Director, Passage Home; 10-year plan

policy

committee

Scott Cutler, Co-Chair, Clancy & Theys Construction Company: Co-chair, 10-year plan steering committee

12:00 -1:00 Lunch

12:15 Introduction of Keynote Speaker:

Martha Are, Homeless Policy Specialist, NC Dept. of Health and Human Services

Keynote speaker:

Philip Mangano, Executive Director, Interagency Council on Homelessness

Discussion Tables: Papers

Table 1:

"The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly of Homeless Shelters," Linda Kathryn Clark, Meredith "A Review of Homeless Women with Children Living in Shelters," Delesta Hicks,

Miriam

Forbes, Cynthia Carter, Candice Andrews and Benjamin Terry, Saint Augustine

Community Expert:

Kay Ferguson, Supportive Housing Director, Wake County Human Services; 10plan policy committee

Facilitator:

Monique Fields, St Augustine

Table 2:

"The Organization of Prison Discharge Programs," Stacey Jones, Meredith "Successful Substance Abuse Treatment and Aftercare for Offenders," Kyoko Jones,

Saint Augustine

Community Expert:

Nicole Sullivan, Research & Evaluation Analyst, NC Dept of Corrections, 10-year plan

steering committee

Facilitator:

Barbara True-Weber, Meredith

Table 3:

"Domestic Violence and Homelessness," Carrie Suddreth, Meredith
"The Blanket of Homelessness: Review of women, substance abuse, and
adverse events," Loretta White and Aaron Reader, Saint
Augustine

"A Review of Homeless Women with Children Living in Shelters," Delesta Hicks, Miriam Forbes, Cynthia Carter, Candice Andrews and Benjamin Terry, Saint Augustine

Community Expert:

Rev. James H. Galloway, Executive Director & Principal Investigator, Pan Lutheran Ministries of Wake County: 10-year plan steering committee

Facilitator:

Liz O'Sullivan, NC State

Table 4:

"Housing Alcoholics," Laura Bates, Meredith

"The Association between Spirituality and Homeless Men's Recovery from Addiction to Alcohol and other Drugs," Chris J. Gardner and Stacy Gunter, NC State

Community Expert:

Richard Fitzgerald, Raleigh Rescue Mission

Facilitator:

Warren Dukes, Saint Augustine

Table 5:

"School Services to Homeless Children," Beth Smith, Meredith

"Homeless Children and Mental Health," Kristopher Hall, Delesta Hicks Aaron Reader, and Jennifer White, Saint Augustine

"Homeless Children & Nutrition," Camethia Baker, Nicole Grant, Angel Harrison, and Andrea Henry, Saint Augustine

Community Expert:

Mary Jean Seyda, Assistant Director, CASA; 10-year plan policy committee

Facilitator:

Jocelynn Taliferro, NC State

Table 6:

"Is Current Budgeting Beneficial to the Mentally III and Homeless," Caitlin Spicola, Meredith

"Homeless Children: Health Status and Access to Health Care," Felicia McGhee and Sarah Rucker, Saint Augustine

"The Effects of Homelessness on the Education of Children," Monique Junious and

Loretta White, Saint Augustine

Community Expert:

Carolynn Crowder, Cornerstone, Wake County Human Services; 10-year plan policy committee

Facilitator:

Ramona Fears, Saint Augustine

Table 7

"Affordable Housing: Lack of Housing and Leadership," Teresa Nichols, Meredith Ken Maness, Senior Planner, City of Raleigh, 10 year plan policy committee

Facilitator:

Fred Mayhew, NC State University

PS498D: COMMUNITY DIALOGUE TO END HOMELESSNESS (SPRING, 2004)

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call ahead

Mayhew: Tuesday 4:15-5:15 & by appointment

Hildebrand: Thursday 4:30 – 5:45 PM and By Appointment

Course Objectives: By semester's end based on the study of homelessness and observing community planning students should be confident in their ability to:

- 1. Address complex social problems
- 2. Identify critical stakeholders and analyze their participation in community problem solving
- 3. Present ideas effectively and participate in policy debates
- 4. Negotiate with diverse stakeholders

To achieve these objectives each student must:

Prepare and present a short paper analyzing a 10 Year Plan from a specific community

Prepare and present a short policy paper suggesting and justifying a proposal for Raleigh's 10-Year Plan

Attend and assist with at least one community forum

Participate in inter-college conference

Write an essay discussing how the academic components of the course captured the community's concerns

Requirement	Date	Percent of Grade:
Analysis of a City Plan	3/2	25%
Proposal for Raleigh's Plan	4/14	25%
Final Exam	5/4	15%
Participation & attendance		25%
Community Forum & Essay	4/27	10%

Texts:

J. Baumohl (ed.) Homelessness in America (Orvx Press. 1996)

Other readings will be assigned and available on electronic reserves or webct

SelectedWeb Sites:

National Alliance to End Homelessness: http://www.naeh.org

City of Raleigh: http://www.raleigh-nc.org/planning/ending homelessness.htm

Course website at: webct.ncsu.edu

Media volumes of class presentations: http://courses.ncsu.edu/ps498d/common/media/index.html

Notes:

- 1. Final grades will include plus/minus grades (+ x9,x8,x7; x2, x1, x0)
- Students are expected to adhere to a high standard of integrity; instances of cheating, fabrication
 or plagiarism are considered serious academic transgressions and will be dealt with accordingly.
 For more information see the Code of Student Conduct at:
 http://www.ncsu.edu/policies/student-services/student-discipline/POL11.35.1.php
- 3. The faculty at NCSU want to facilitate the full participation of all students regardless of disability. If you have a disability which may affect you ability to participate in course activities or to meet course requirements contact me as soon as possible to discuss your individual needs for accommodation so that they can be met in a timely manner. For more information see: http://www.ncsu.edu/policies/academic affairs/pols regs/REG205.00.28.php

- 4. Students in PS498 are expected to attend and help with two community forums or planning sessions
- 5. Attending a community forum is required to complete the essay assignment; it is also part of the participation grade.

Course Schedule (Subject to Change)

1/13 Overview

Course process & requirements

The importance of problem definition

NAEH, "The Ten Essentials: What Your Community Needs to Do to End Homelessness" www.endhomelessness.org

1/20 Defining the homeless

Different definitions of the homeless

Deciding on relevant categories of the homeless

Tracking the homeless: services used & outcomes

What we know about Raleigh's homeless population – 2003

Readings: R. O. Mason & I. I. Mitroff, "Complexity: the Nature of Real World

Problems," Challenging Strategic Planning Assumptions. 3-16 (e-

reserve)

Text Ch 1 "Redefining the Cursed Word" 3-14

Text Ch 2 "Homeless Definitions & Counts" 15-23

Text Ch 3 "The Causes of Homelessness" 24-33

Speakers: 6:00 "Defining and Counting the Homeless," Martha Are,

Homeless Policy Specialist, NC Department of Health & Human

Services

7:15 "Collecting Data on Homeless Population: Demographics and Service Utilization," Philip Cohen, designer, Wake County's

Homeless Management Information System

1/27 Tackling the problem of homelessness: Developing a community plan

<u>Readings</u>: Henry Sanoff, "Participation Purposes," Community Participation

Methods in Design and Planning (John Wiley, 1999) 1-36

(e-reserve)

Text Ch 13 "Public Attitudes & Beliefs about Homeless People" 143-

148

NAEH, "A Plan: Not a Dream - How to End Homelessness in Ten

Years." available online at:

http://www.endhomelessness.org/pub/tenyear/

Speakers: 6:00 "The plan for creating Raleigh's 10 year plan to end

homelessness," Ken Maness, Senior Planner, City of Raleigh

7:15 "Effective Community Planning" Henry Sanoff, Professor,

School of Architecture, NC State University

2/3 Strategies for seeking effective solutions

Readings: Text Ch. 18 "Preventing Homelessness" 187-200

Text Ch. 19 "Dilemmas of Local Antihomelessness Movements"

201-212

Pamela Waters, "Evidence-based Practice?" Southern Coast

Addiction

Technology Transfer Center. (e-reserve)

Jones reading on management decision making

Speakers: 6:00 "Adopting what works: Evidenced-based Treatment and

Benchmarking" Bonnie Morell, Best Practice Team Leader,

Community Policy Management Section, NC Department of Health

& Human Services

2/10 Causes of Homelessness I: Homeless families

Readings: Text Ch. 10 "Homeless families are different" 109-122

Lisa Mihaly, "Homelessness Increasingly Affects Families" The

Homeless: Opposing Viewpoints 39-45 (e-reserve)

Peter H. Rossi, "Troubling Families: Family homelessness in

America"

American Behavioral Scientist, Jan 1994 vol.37 342-354

<u>Speakers</u>:

6:00: "Homeless Families: Causes & Needs." Jim Galloway,

Executive

Director, Pan Lutheran Ministries

7:15: "Preventing Homelessness," Speaker Terry Allebaugh,

Executive Director, Housing for New Hope, Durham

2/17 Homeless children & youths

Readings: Ronald W. Fagan, "Homelessness in America: Causes,

Consequences and

Solutions" Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies, 1995 vol.7 101-118

Other readings to be assigned*

<u>Speakers</u>: 6:00: "Meeting the educational & emotional needs of homeless

children" Speakers: Paul Winterhoff, Associate Professor; Patsy Pierce, Assistant Professor; Randi Miller, Senior Student, Children

Development, Meredith College

7:15: "Homeless youths: causes of their homelessness, availability

and

acceptability of services," Carson Dean, Haven House

2/24 Causes of Homeless II: How the homeless describe their situation

Readings: Text Ch. 9 "Homeless Veterans" 97-108

Text Ch. 11 "Homelessness among African Americans" 123-131 **Text** Ch. 12 "Homelessness and the Latino Paradox" 132-140 **Text** Ch. 17 "Responding to the Needs of Homeless People with

Alcohol, Drug, and/or Mental Disorders" 179-186

Sam Tsemberis & Ronda F. Eisenberg, "Pathways to Housing: Supported Housing for Street-Dwelling Homeless Individuals With Psychiatric Disabilities" *Psychiatric Services*, April 2000 vol. 51

487-492 (e-reserve)

<u>Speakers</u>: 6:00: Homeless People Speaking for Themselves. Panel facilitated

by Kay Wiles, CASA

3/2 Causes of Homeless III: Discharge Planning & Strategies for Conflict Resolution

Analysis of a City Plan is Due Today

<u>Readings</u>: Discharge Planning Piece (e-reserve)

Allen C. Amason & David M. Schweiger, "The Effects of Conflict on Strategic Decision Making Effectiveness and Organizational

Performance" 7 pages (e-reserve)

Roger C. Pace, "Communication Patterns in High and Low Consensus Discussions: A Descriptive Analysis" *The Southern Speech Communication Journal;* Winter, 1988. 184-200

Individual point/counterpoint readings to be assigned

<u>Speakers</u>: 6:00: "Discharge planning: From institutions into the community"

7:15: Conflict Resolution, speaker TBA

3/16 Addressing the needs of homeless individuals: Policies & financing

Readings: To be assigned

3/23 Causes of Homelessness IV: Changes in the American economy/labor market

Readings: Text Ch. 5 "Why the Road off the Street Is not Paved with Jobs"

46-62

Text Ch. 6 "Income Maintenance: Little Help Now, Less on the

Way"

63-78

Speakers: 6:00: "Discharge Planning" Laura White, NC Department of Health

&

Human Services

7:15: "An economist looks at homelessness" Jonathan Morgan,

Assistant

Professor; Institute of Government, UNC

3/30 Subsidized Housing

Readings: Text Ch. 4 "Housing Policy: A General Consideration" 34-45

Frank Rubino, "No Place Like a Home" Hope; November/December

2002 35-37

Jeff R. Crump, "The End of public Housing as We Know It"

International Journal of Urban and Regional Research, March 2003

vol.27, issue 1: 179-187

Peter Dreier & John Atlas, "US Housing Policy at the Crossroads:

Rebuilding the Housing Constituency" Journal of Urban Affairs, Fall

1996 vol. 18, n.4: 341-370

<u>Speakers:</u> 6

whys

6:00: "A recent history of public housing in the community and the

and wherefores of current programs/policies" Steve Beam,

Executive

Director, Raleigh Housing Authority

7:15: "HUD policies and programs" Candace Stoll, NC Housing

Finance

Agency

4/6 Affordable Housing

Readings: Elliot Liebow, "A lack of Affordable Housing Causes Homelessness"

The Homeless: Opposing Viewpoints 61-67

Alice S. Baum & Donald W. Burnes, "A Lack of Affordable Housing Does Not Cause Homelessness" *The Homeless: Opposing*

Viewpoints 68-73

Speakers: 6:00: "Designing Affordable Housing" Greg Warren, President &

Executive Director, DHIC

7:15: "NIMBY issues" Debra King, Executive Director, CASA

4/13 No Class: Work Day

Proposal Paper Due 4/14

4/20 Examining the Policy Environment

<u>Readings</u>: **Text** Ch. 14 "Municipal Regulation of the Homeless in Public

Spaces" 149-159

Text Ch. 15 "The Federal Response: The Stewart B. Mckinney

Homeless Assistance Act" 160-171

Text Ch. 16 "Responses by the States to Homelessness" 172-178 Gregg Barak, "A National Housing Policy Can Reduce Homelessness" *The Homeless: Opposing Viewpoints* 208-214 Richard W. White Jr. "Local Housing Policies Can Reduce Homelessness" *The Homeless: Opposing Viewpoints* 215-222

Speakers: "Identifying and analyzing state and local policies" Chris Estes,

North Carolina Low Income Housing Coalition

4/27 Lessons Learned about Homelessness, Planning & Public Policy

Community Forum Essay Due 4/27

5/4 Final Exam