

**COLLABORATIVE MEETING**  
**March 26, 2015 – 8:00-9:30 a.m.**  
**MIWORKS! Conference Room**  
**1209 S. Garfield Ave., Traverse City**

**Meeting called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Jim Moore.**

**Present:**

Bailee Brandt, Habitat for Humanity  
Trina Egeler, Prisoner Reentry Program  
Sherri Fenton, Traverse Health Clinic  
Karen Fulkerson, Little Collaborative  
Deb Haase, Father Fred  
Mary Hubbard, Northern Lakes CMH  
Abby Jordan, TCAPS - STEP  
Dawn McLaughlin, DHS  
Cecil McNally, Goodwill  
Kari Mara, TC Housing Commission  
Jim Moore, Disability Network

Marybeth Novak, Catholic Human  
Services  
Tara Rybicki, Munson Community Health  
Sam Sander, Father Fred  
Ralph Soffredine  
John Stephenson, NMCAA  
Val Stone, Salvation Army/NW Food  
Coalition  
Kris Thomas, Benzie Sunrise Rotary Club  
Diane Wemlinger, TrueNorth  
Amanda Woods, Munson Medical Center

**Financial Report** - Cecil updated the group on the current financial statement

**5 County Food Security Study – Kris Thomas, Benzie Sunrise Rotary**

The full report is online at: <http://bit.ly/1ChFZd6>

Report was issued on December 3, 2014

Interviewed 400 neighbors, surveyed local food pantries

Found that 2/3 that visited the food pantry were food insecure and that and 1/3 were very low income

Some of the challenges identified:

- Funding cuts to the bridge card
- Limited number of pantry visits that are allowed
- Double-up food bucks not readily available in lower income communities

Given the challenges – A Food Security Council has formed that Goodwill is coordinating and Rotary Charities is involved as well.

**Healthy Harvest** project is a collaboration between area farmers, Food Rescue and area Rotary Clubs. The project uses volunteers to help pick fruits and vegetables that are left over after harvest and work with Food Rescue to get that food to the food pantry network. The goal is to have a cadre of 200 volunteers. To find out more information or to volunteer, call 995 -7723.

**Meeting announcements**

Bailee Brandt with Habitat for Humanity announced a “chairity” auction at the Denno’s Museum on Saturday, March 28 from 10-4. Artist decorated chairs will be auctioned off to raise funds.

Traverse Health Clinic distributed a new brochure and announced that they are available to come to agency staff meetings or other gatherings to provide an update on the clinic. Contact Sherrie Fenton if you would like to schedule a time.

John Stephenson (NMCAA) and Diane Wemlinger (TrueNorth) both mentioned that there are additional heating assistance funds that are currently available this heating season.

Jim Rowlett mentioned that the poverty Reduction Initiative is working on employment and looking at ways to lower the number of job openings in the area.

Tara Rybicki from Munson Medical Center mentioned that the hospital will begin its community health assessment work starting this July. More information will be coming to the collaborative to engage in that process.

Dawn McLaughlin from DHS reported that referrals to the eviction diversion program were down so if anyone is working with someone that would benefit from this program to be sure to send them to the program. Also, DHS has hired a new Community Resource Coordinator – Joe Bagby to replace Tony Ryan. DHS has received new contracts to work on infant mental health and a shared care coordinator to work on foster parent training.

Cecil McNally reported that Goodwill will be breaking ground on April 8 on a 36 unit housing project and will be converting one unit to a family unit.

**Meeting ended at 9:15 am**

**Grand Traverse Community Collaborative - Actual Expenses 2014-2015**

**ACTUAL LOCAL FUND EXPENDITURES**

Actual thru 02/28/2015

|                             | 10/31/14     | 11/30/14     | 12/31/14       | 1/31/15      | 2/28/15    | 3/31/15  | 4/30/15  | 5/31/15  | 6/30/15  | 7/31/15  | 8/31/15  | 9/30/15  | TOTAL           | Budget          | +/-             |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>REVENUE</b>              |              |              |                |              |            |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |                 |                 |                 |
| GTCC DUES                   | 3,100        | 3,450        | 0              | 9,500        | 750        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 16,800          | 13,050          | 3,750           |
| CMH PREVENTION              | 0            | 0            | 0              | 0            | 0          | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0               | 10,000          | (10,000)        |
| from GTCC FUND BALANCE      | 0            | 0            | 0              | 0            | 0          | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0               | 0               | 0               |
|                             | 0            | 0            | 0              | 0            | 0          | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>        | <b>3,100</b> | <b>3,450</b> | <b>0</b>       | <b>9,500</b> | <b>750</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>16,800</b>   | <b>23,050</b>   | <b>(6,250)</b>  |
| <b>PAYROLL</b>              |              |              |                |              |            |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |                 |                 |                 |
| SALARIES-WAGES/COORDINATOR  | 1,932        | 1,932        | 1,932          | 1,932        | 0          | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 7,728           | 23,184          | (15,456)        |
| MISC. EXPENSES              | 921          | 0            | 0              | 0            | 0          | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 921             | 300             | 621             |
| TRAINING                    | 0            | 0            | 0              | 0            | 0          | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| <b>TOTAL PAYROLL</b>        | <b>2,853</b> | <b>1,932</b> | <b>1,932</b>   | <b>1,932</b> | <b>0</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>8,649</b>    | <b>23,484</b>   | <b>(14,835)</b> |
| <b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>       |              |              |                |              |            |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |                 |                 |                 |
|                             |              |              |                |              |            |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 0               | 0               | 0               |
|                             |              |              |                |              |            |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 0               | 0               | 0               |
|                             |              |              |                |              |            |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| FLEX FUNDS                  | 0            | 0            | 0              | 0            | 0          | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0               | 0               | 0               |
|                             |              |              |                |              |            |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| <b>TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES</b> | <b>0</b>     | <b>0</b>     | <b>0</b>       | <b>0</b>     | <b>0</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b>        | <b>0</b>        | <b>0</b>        |
| <b>NET PROFIT / (LOSS)</b>  | <b>247</b>   | <b>1,518</b> | <b>(1,932)</b> | <b>7,568</b> | <b>750</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>8,150.88</b> | <b>(434.00)</b> | <b>8,584.88</b> |