



Council For Human Services Meeting

Town of Nantucket

131 Pleasant Street

Nantucket, MA, 02554

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Council for Human Services Members: Veronica Bolcik (Chair), Sarah Wright (Vice-Chair), Sue Mynttinen, Suzanne Keating, Tara Restieri, Kelly Steffen, Claudia Valle, Amanda Wright, Deborah Goudemond

Health and Human Services Staff: Jerico Mele (Human Services Director), Alexandria Richards (Office Manager)

~MINUTES~

Thursday, October 23rd, 2025

131 Pleasant St, Trailer B

This meeting was held in hybrid fashion with remote participation using ZOOM

Attendance: Veronica Bolcik, Tara Restieri, Suzanne Keating, Deborah Goudemond, Sue Mynttinen, Amanada Wright

Staff: Jerico Mele, Alexandria Richards

- I. Establish Quorum
Quorum was established with attendance at 12:06 pm.
- II. Acceptance of Agenda
Suzanne motioned to accept the agenda it was seconded by Amanda and accepted by all members in attendance. Tara did not join the meeting as yet.
- III. Approval of Minutes from 9/11/2025 & 9/12/2025
Sue made a motion to approve of the minutes it was seconded by all members in attendance. This vote did not include Tara.
- IV. Public Comment
No comments.
- V. Update on Grant Applications FY 27 for TON Human Services and Substance Misuse Grants
Veronica confirmed total of 23 applications were received.

She gave a breakdown of the September 25th information session, grant categories and the proposed schedule for the CRC's grant review, interviews and deliberations.

VI. Assignment for Study Groups

Veronica confirmed the study groups should review applications from their assigned sector and forward any questions to Lexi by November 7th ahead of scheduled interviews on November 14th.

VII. Update on Needs Assessment

Jerico gave updates on Marcos' progress on the needs assessment. Stakeholder interviews have been ongoing and survey links are being distributed.

Radio ads will be run all winter with survey links and information 5-6 times daily.

Committee members requested displaying needs QR codes in frequently visited nonprofits to direct people to the survey.

VIII. Human Services Director Report

Covered in the Needs Assessment update.

IX. Community Human Services items for discussion by CHS members

Veronica confirmed the food pantry has found a new potential home and Jerico announced the upcoming flu clinic.

X. New Business

Not discussed.

XI. Next meeting date

The next meeting will be on November 20th & December 18th at noon.

XII. Adjournment

Quorum was lost, the meeting ended at 1:26 pm and will be adjourned at the next meeting.