

Members of Vermont's Interagency Council on Homelessness

Agency of Human Services: *Cathy Voyer*, Director of Housing and Transportation

Agency:

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Personally:

- Chair of VT Interagency Council on Homelessness
- Board member of Vermont Community Development Program
- Sits on the Board of the Vermont Downtown Development Program
- Member of Vermont Housing Council
- Chair of two intra agency groups, one for housing and the other for transportation
- Member of Vermont Consolidated Plan Advisory Group
- A part of the Olmstead Commission
- Member of the Residential Care Home Task Force
- Part of the Vermont Transportation Advisory Council
- Attends Lamoille County Continuum of Care meetings
- Chairs the Homeless Management Information Systems advisory group
- Part of the Building Bright Futures Facilities Panel (quality childcare facilities funding board)
- Selectboard member for the Town of Morristown
- Former director of Office of Economic Opportunity

Dept. of Housing & Community Affairs: *John Hall*, Commissioner and *Jim Saudade*, Deputy Commissioner

Agency:

- Develops the Consolidated Plan and passes funding for HOME and ESG through to other agencies
- Administers the Community Development Block Grant program
- Chair of Vermont Housing Council, a group advising the Governor on housing policy
- Organizes only subcommittee of Housing Council on Fair Housing
- Funds Regional Planning Commissions statewide
- Regularly attends the Statewide Continuum of Care meetings
- Member of state's largest affordable housing advocacy organization, the Vermont Affordable Housing Coalition
- Member of state's Housing Awareness Campaign
- Staff attends VT Community Development Association meetings
- Part of the New England Housing Network

Personally:

Commissioner Hall:

- Serves on the board of VT Housing Conservation Board
- Commissioner of Vermont Housing Finance Agency Board
- Chairs the Vermont Community Development Program Board
- Sits on the board of the St. Johnsbury Academy
- Part of extended Cabinet Meetings and Agency of Commerce and Community Affairs
- Previously was Town Manager of the Town of St. Johnsbury and Executive Director of Northeast Vermont Development Association (RDC and RPC)

Deputy Commissioner Saudade:

- Member of National and New England Regional Council of National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials
- Belongs to Northeast Economic Development Association
- Previously the Executive Director of Green Mountain Economic Development
- Regularly attends meetings for the Incubator Investment Committee
- Part of extended Cabinet Meetings and Agency of Commerce and Community Affairs

VT Housing Finance Agency: *Sarah Carpenter*, Executive Director

Agency:

- Member of state's largest affordable housing advocacy organization, the Vermont Affordable Housing Coalition
- Organizer of state's Housing Awareness Campaign
- Member and funder of VT Housing Managers' Association
- Regularly attends both Continuum of Cares in Vermont and serves on subcommittees for each
- Funds six Neighborworks Homeownership Centers that provide homebuyer education and counseling
- Helped create a statewide Resident Service Coordinator organization and funded necessary staffing

Personally:

- Sits on the Board of Trustees for the largest hospital in the state, Fletcher Allen Health Care
- Serves on Board of Converse Home, a retirement and assisted living home
- Is a board member of VT's Community Development Block Grant
- Sits on VT Housing and Conservation Board of Directors
- Member of the Consolidated Plan Advisory Board
- Long standing member of VT's Housing Council. This was created by the Governor to address housing policy in the state
- On the board of the largest homeless shelter in the state, COTS
- Was the Executive Director of Cathedral Square Corporation, for 16 years.

Dept. of Education: *Wendy Ross*, State Director: Education for Homeless Children and Youth as well as the Even Start Family Literacy Program

Personally:

- Member of Northeast Coordinators of Homeless Education Network
- Affiliated with US Department of Education: Student Achievement and School Accountability Programs
- Part of the National Even Start Association
- Member of National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth
- Associate to Reading First Leadership Team
- Part of the Department of Education Early Education Team
- Previously was the director of the Department of Education Adult Education Board; was the Director for the Vermont Literacy Resource Center; and Directed the Coalition of Vermont Elders.

Dept. of Employment and Training: *Bill Cormany*, Senior Policy Advisor

Agency:

- Administers Federal Department of Labor funding
- Member of the Human Resources Investment Council's Executive Committee

Personally:

- Serves on the Consolidated Plan Advisory Group
- Member of the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation
- Part of the Community College of Vermont
- Part of the Department's Advisory Committee
- On the Advisory Board for the Vermont Council for Quality

Dept. of Health: *Mary Lou Bolt*, District Director for the Rutland District Office

Agency:

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Personally:

- Serves on the James T. Bowse Community Health Trust Board
- Member of the Southern VT Area Health Education Center board of directors
- Sits on the Rutland Region's Community Health Centers' Board

Dept. of Corrections: *Karen Lawson*, Grant Specialist in the Community and Restorative Justice Division

Agency:

- Collaborates with community agencies about issues faced with offender populations (housing, employment, education, life skills, etc)

Personally:

- Attend statewide Continuum of Care meetings
- Monitor transitional housing grants to many community agencies
- Previously the Safe At Home Program Coordinator (for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault)

Dept. of Health-Division of Mental Health: *Brian Smith*, Community Services Coordinator

Agency:

- This agency is the State Mental Health Authority
- Funds the 10 Designated Community Mental Health Providers
- Administers the Housing Contingency Fund, which is temporary rental assistance for people with severe and persistent mental illness as they await subsidized housing
- Agency is the funding stream for the Center for Mental Health PATH program
- Funder for many HUD Homeless Management Information Systems for the state
- 80 units of housing has been developed through the agency and its partners

Personally:

- Member of the Vermont Human Services Data Consortium
- Chair of the New England Regional HMIS workgroup
- AHS housing project review team member
- Team member for the Safe Haven
- Homeless provider board member

Office of Economic Opportunity: *Tony Morgan, ?????*

Agency:

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Personally:

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Social Security Administration: *Chris DuPuis, District Manager for Montpelier*

Agency:

- Processes application for cash benefits
- Provides referral information for other available services

Personally:

- Was on the board for the Federal Family Credit Union for 15 years
- Serves on the VT Medicare Beneficiary Services workgroup to foster a better understanding of Medicare by VT residents

Veterans Administration: *Robert Rummel, Homeless Coordinator*

Agency:

- Anything?

Personally:

- Attends Balance of State Continuum of Care meetings regularly

Balance of State Continuum of Care aka. VT Coalition to End Homelessness: *Caprice Hover, Chair*

Personally:

- Commissioner of the Vermont State Housing Authority
- Member of the Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce and Rutland Economic Development Public Policy Committee
- Commissioner of Governor's Jobs Cabinet
- Chair of Rutland County Continuum of Care
- Board Member of Parkstreet Healthshare
- Executive Director of Rutland County Housing Coalition
- Regularly attends meetings for Rutland Regional Board for Family Services: Human Service Council for Rutland County
- Previously worked for the Bennington Regional Opportunity Council (Community Action)

Chittenden County Continuum of Care: *Rita Markley, Organizer*

Agency:

- Largest emergency shelter provider in Vermont
- Leads the Chittenden County Continuum of Care, as well as writing the NoFA application annually

Personally:

- Sits on the National Coalition for the Homeless Board

- Board member of Housing Vermont, a non-profit tax credit syndication and development company
- Member of the Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity Board
- Is the Chittenden County contact for the Balance of State Continuum of Care
- Attends the "Gang of 8" meetings convened by the City of Burlington which includes nonprofit housing developers and COTS
- Served on the Mayor's Affordable Housing Task Force
- Currently Executive Director of the Committee on Temporary Shelter (COTS)