

**Providence Housing Authority  
CNI: HUD Conference Call Meeting Minutes  
April 9, 2013**

PHA STAFF	Title	On Call
Paul J. Tavares	Int. Executive Director	Y
Melissa Sanzaro	Special Projects Office	Y
Lisa Castellanos	Special Projects Office	Y
NON PHA STAFF	Title	Attended
Frank Shea	OHC-Exec. Director	Y
Jennifer Hawkins	OHC-Ass. Exec Director	Y
Caroline Clayton	HUD-Washington, D.C.	Y
Ron Ashford	HUD-Washington, D.C.	Y
Maura O'Brien	HUD-Boston, MA	Y

This meeting was held at the PHA's Board Room on April 9, 2013 and was called to order at 11:30 a.m. There were eight members on the conference call.

**Conference Call Highlights:**

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- Ms. Clayton began the conference call by stating that the FY 2013 CNI Program would receive \$113.7M in funding. The FY 2013 CNI implementation NOFA is being amended and finalized and will be released as soon as it is complete.
- CNI TA webinars are available for CNI Teams, across the nation, to ask questions and receive guidance.
- HUD assigned the PHA a CNI TA consultant. The consultant met with the PHA and OHC in order to evaluate the current planning status and made final recommendations to the Providence CNI Team.
- Ms. Sanzaro stated that a RAD consultant, newly assigned by HUD, was willing to conduct training on the program with PHA staff, Board of Commissioner members and CNI Principals. The training is anticipated to take place in April or May 2013.
- The next Manton Heights Resident Meeting is currently being coordinated and is scheduled for April 19, 2013.
- The four CNI sub-committees (Education, Housing, Social Services & Workforce Development) are coordinating meetings and creating outlines that will highlight the focus and over-arching goals of each sub-committee.
- Mr. Shea stated that the Imperial Knife site will eventually contain a Charter School, run by Meeting Street. However, due to the red tape in the RI Education system, any official announcement may take more than a year.

**Closing Comments**

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The next conference call will take place Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 11:30 a.m.