

**Providence Housing Authority
CNI: HUD Conference Call Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2011**

PHA STAFF	Title	On Call
Stephen O'Rourke	Executive Director	Y
Melissa Sanzaro	Special Projects	Y
Lisa Castellanos	Special Projects	Y
NON PHA STAFF	Title	Attended
Frank Shea	Olneyville Housing Corp	Y
Caroline, William, Maura, Ron	HUD	Y

This meeting was held at the PHA's Board Room on October 27, 2011 and was called to order at 3:00 p.m. There were eight members on the conference call.

Conference Call Highlights:

- The HUD representative began the conference call with an update of HUD's FY 2012 budget. The budget appropriation is still undecided at this time. HUD also informed the call members to be aware that the CNI Conference in Washington D.C. would be in February 2012. Lastly, the funds for the CNI contracts are not available yet but should be by Monday, October 31st, 2011 pending approval.
- Mr. O'Rourke informed call members that the PHA successfully executed the Brewster Thornton contract as well as three contracts with Olneyville Housing Corporation. The PHA met with Brewster Thornton on 10/27/2011.
- The PHA will distribute the Manton Heights Needs Assessment by the first week of November 2011. A meeting with the City of Providence's Education Advisor for Public Schools is set for 10/28/11 to discuss their Promise Neighborhood grant application and exchange planning ideas. A meeting with Meeting Street is also scheduled for November.
- Frank Shea informed call members that there was an Olneyville Collaboration Meeting in October (takes place monthly) with 25 members discussing/exchanging neighborhood plans and programs. The Olneyville neighborhood is holding a fall festival near the neighborhood river on Saturday, 10/29/11. In addition, an Olneyville Initiative Update Meeting took place on 10/6/2011 with many agencies such as OHC, LISC, PHA, Department of Health, Meeting Street, United Way, Department of Children Services, RI Housing, and the Providence Health Center.
- The PHA and OHC plan to engage Marisa, co-owner of the Curtis Arms development. Mr. O'Rourke suggested that he obtain the past REAC score from the Curtis Arms building in order to be able to better highlight the rehabilitation opportunities. Olneyville Tower, located at the mouth of the Olneyville neighborhood, will also be involved in the planning process.

Closing Comments

The next conference call will take place soon after the week of December 5th, 2011.