

Quarterly Report for Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grants

Grantee Name:	Providence Housing Authority
Co-Grantee name:	Olneyville Housing Corporation, L.I.S.C ., City of Providence (Planning Dept.)
Quarter and Date of Report (e.g. FY12 Q1, January 15 2012):	FY13-Q3, July 15, 2013

1. Confirm the planning is on schedule and progress is being made timely on all key activities. If not, explain why and the plan to get back on schedule. If a time extension is being requested, note that in the comments section. All time extensions must be approved per the terms of the Grant Agreement. Specifically, please include every key activity that should have been underway and/or completed in this quarter, per the approved Program Schedule. Also, please indicate key activities you will be undertaking in the upcoming quarter.

Activity (per Schedule)	Due Date per Program Schedule	Status/Progress	Comments and/or Explanation of how you will get Plan back on track, if applicable
1. Grant Agreement Execution (29 June 2011)	6/29/11	Contract executed on June 29, 2011	
2. First Quarterly Report Due	7/15/11	Completed and forwarded to HUD CNI Team	
3. Appoint PHA CNI Planning Team	7/22/11	Appointed 7/22/11	Team appointed consisting of Executive Director, Manton Heights Property Manager, Special Projects Manager, Alternative Energy Manager, Special Projects staff.
4. Conduct Principals' Organizational/Strategy Meeting	8/12/11	Underway	Group meets monthly on the 3 rd Friday of each month.
5. Conduct outreach to secondary partners	8/19/11	Underway	More than a dozen one-on-one meetings have been conducted with third-party providers who provide supportive services.
6. Create database of partners	8/19/11	Completed, but constantly adding new members	Database of approximately 50 organizations.

7. Conduct General Partnership Strategy Session	9/1/11	Underway	The Principals' Committee has been meeting one-on-one with potential partners, rather than a general meeting. Once other partners have been identified, general partnership meetings will take place on a regular schedule.
8. Request for Ideas/Proposals from Partners	9/15/11	In progress	Ideas are being continually solicited from third-parties during the one-on-one meetings. We will solicit proposals once our needs assessment is completed and we have a strategy on the types and amount of issues we will address.
9. Prepare RFQ for Planning Services	8/10/11	Completed	Contract awarded to Brewster-Thornton Architect & Planning Group. They have conducted a series of meetings with various partners in the planning process.
10. Establish accounting/finance drawdown procedures	8/12/11	Completed.	PHA's Finance & Accounting Department have engaged LOCCS system and are drawing down funds from the LOCCs system.
11. Riverside Mills Environmental Education Center		See below.	
11-a. Selection of Financial Feasibility & Fund Development Consultant	9/1/11	Contract awarded to OHC.	Contract with Olneyville Housing was just executed. They will be engaging a third-party to undertake this work.
11-b. Initial Go/No Go decision on Feasibility	12/1/11	Behind Schedule.	The stability and feasibility study of the building is underway. Third parties are still in the process of assessing the structural components of the historical building and preparing a financial model that will allow reuse of the building as an education center. In April 2012, the Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council (WRWC) did decide to demolish the Riverside Mills building. The WRWC submitted an application and presentation to the Historic District Commission for permission to tear down the existing Riverside Mills structure (meeting set on 4/23/12. 7/12/12-permission to demolish was granted Final report was submitted: With demolition, WRWC and RIDOT discussed best new location taking into

			consideration the protective cap at Riverside Park, possibly Bosworth Street. RFQ for integrated design team for new center was developed, and the Environment Sector Non-Profit Capacity Building Program for long and short term funding for a 2 year peer workshop series.
11-c. Selection of Architect, Environmental Consultant	2/1/12	Completed	Rustpoint Advisory Business Planning, Fund Development and Building Development Consultant for the successful completion of the new Center at the same site.
11-d. Completion of Funding Package including schematics	7/1/12	Completed	
12. Education & Child Development System Assessment		See below	
12-a. Prepare sub grantee agreement with Meeting Street	9/1/11	On schedule	Scope of Work was determined and a contract was executed with Meeting Street School to conduct the assessment. The contract requires the report to be completed by June 30 th .
12-b. Completion of Assessment	6/30/12	Complete	Assessment, per executed contract, report was completed on June 30, 2012.
12-c. Development of program/practitioner recommendations	6/30/12	Completed	The summary of the report stated that participants agree that there is a need for (1) increased collaboration and communication among all stakeholders, (2) more information on child development, and (3) accessible services for parents and educators alike to help all young children enter kindergarten ready to learn. These findings demonstrate the necessity of a comprehensive and integrative approach to the health development of young children and support the development of an inter-connected continuum of services to accomplish this goal. Also, each child in kindergarten will have a portfolio inclusive of home, physical, and academic information for their educators.

13. Capacity Assessment & TA delivery to Grassroots Olneyville organization		See below.	
13-a. Prepare sub grantee agreement with New Roots	9/1/11	MAJOR CHANGE	It has been determined this service is not necessary. New Roots has a grant from other sources to provide training to nonprofit organizations. These funds will be reprogrammed at an upcoming meeting.
13-b. Outreach to potential organizations	12/1/11	See 13A above	
13-c. Development of organizational needs assessment & TA plan	3/1/12	See 13a above	
13-d. Delivery of TA services	9/1/12	See 13a above	
14. Award Planning Services Contract	8/29/11	Contract executed.	Brewster-Thornton Architect Group is compiling data/information, conducting site assessments, compiling data, meeting with principals and partners. Conceptual planning documents prepared for Manton Heights and contiguous properties.
15. Neighborhood Economic & Workforce Development Plan		See below.	
15-a. Selection of consultant	2/2012	Behind schedule	Principals' Committee prepared scope of services for this task. RFQ was distributed to three vendors for bid on 1/6/12. New estimated completion date for issuance of contract: February 2012. 3/29/12: contract between the PHA and Social Venture Partners of Rhode Island (SPVRI) was executed through RFQ process.
15-b. Evaluation of current needs & resources	2/2012	Underway	SPVRI reports that the study is well underway. Components of study: 1) 4 focus groups with area business 2) interviews with new area businesses 3) identifying emerging micro enterprises 4) creating online incubator with 10 participants to assist in establishing new business in the area.
15-c. Development of options for neighborhood economic development	2/1/12	Underway	SPVRI coordinated with Bryant University to conduct focus groups. The focus groups are made up of individuals interested in starting a business, including

			<p>those who have completed the Sherwin Williams Home-Work Painter Program. Additionally, interviews will be conducted with existing businesses in Olneyville Square. The interviews will include questions regarding the new store front ideas proposed by Brewster Thornton.</p> <p>August 2012- SVPRI has worked on conducting outreach for the Online Business Incubator and developed a plan to further develop Olneyville Housing's two social enterprises - the Business Improvement District (BID) and One Olneyville a landscape and snow business. The Capacity Group was hired to develop the business plan for the Business Improvement District. The Group has been working closely with OHC and have made significant progress.</p> <p>September 2012- SVPRI hired a business engagement specialist, Julie DiBari from the Capacity Group who completed and submitted the business plan for the Business Improvement District and One Olneyville.</p> <p>1/15/13-preliminary report includes key finding and recommendations but the final report is still pending. ED of SPVRI will be submitting the report January 21, 2013. SVPRI continues to work with OHC on building the Business Improvement District specifically on developing strategic marketing plan for businesses in Olneyville and on expanding the online incubator.</p>
15-d. Completion of neighborhood economic & workforce development plan	7/1/12	Behind Schedule	<p>SPVRI interviews with business owners, members of various neighborhood agencies, and residents were conducted and the interview results are available. A preliminary Summary of Findings report is available. The final report is pending.</p>
16. Prepare MOA for Olneyville Housing Corporation	9/16/11	Agreement executed.	
17. Develop "Olneyville Choice" Website		Completed and ongoing.	Initial "start-up" website is on-line. The site contains some basic planning documents, schedules, a photo

			gallery, maps, and neighborhood history planned.
17-a. Select website designer	8/15/11	Completed	
17-b. Determine website content	8/22/11	Completed.	(Initial) Still a work in progress. Photo Gallery, Principal links, Reports, & Assessments. Historic info on industrial sites coming soon. 10/15/12- The following additions are underway: listing Meeting Street as Partner and adding marketing materials, Resident Meeting slideshow and pictures. 01/15/13-The Choice Olneyville site will undergo changes that will include links to the Transformation Plan, pictures of Olneyville and updated summaries on each of the Principal Partners. The newly designed logo for CNI Planning Grant will be displayed on PHA's main website that will link viewers to Choice Olneyville. July 2013-RFP for CNI TA Consultant was posted to the site.
17-c. Create website	9/16/11	Created and on-line.	
17-d. Website operational	10/31/11	Completed: www.choiceolneyville.com	
18. Award Engineering Services Contract (Geothermal)		See below.	
18-a. Determine Scope of Work	8/15/11	Completed and reviewed by appropriate program and legal staff.	
18-b. RFQ	8/22/11	In progress. Sent to qualified engineering firms.	The RFQ was just sent to qualified engineering firms (approximately a month behind original schedule). RFQs will be received by the end of month. After a week of review, a contract for the engineering study will be awarded. All work is estimated to be completed by November 30, 2011.
18-c. Selection	9/5/11	See Explanation	The Geothermal scope of work has been reevaluated and is no longer being considered due to the decision to submit an Implementation Grant application to demolish the Manton Heights family development.

18-d. Completion	10/1/11	Postponed.	Geothermal activities have been postponed due to the Principals' consideration of demolition of Manton Heights.
		See below.	
19-a. Survey committee selected	9/2/11	Completed	
19-b. Content of survey determined	9/12/11	Completed	
19-c. Survey conducted	10/10/11-11/18/11	Completed	
19-d. Data compiled & analyzed/Report generated	12/16/11	Completed	This survey is in reference to the PHA's Manton Heights Need Assessment. Final report was completed in January 2012.
20. Quarterly Reports Due			
20-a. 10/15/11 Q/R	10/15/11	Completed	
20-b. 1/15/12 Q/R	1/15/12	Completed	
20-c. 4/15/12 Q/R	4/15/12	Completed	
20-d. 7/15/12 Q/R	7/15/12	Completed	
20-e. 10/15/12 Q/R	10/15/12	Completed	
20-f. 1/15/13 Q/R	1/15/13	Completed	
20-g. 4/15/13 Q/R	4/15/13	Completed	
20-h 7/15/13	7/25/13	Completed this report	
21. Principals Meeting	Monthly	On schedule	<p>Monthly meetings have been conducted. Committee meets on the 3rd Friday of each month. The Principals met a few times with various partners to discuss the feasibility of applying for the new round of Implementation Grants</p> <p>On June 18, 2013, the Providence CNI Grant Team was approved for a Planning Grant extension until January 2014. The Principal Meetings moving forward have changed to the 4th Monday of the month at 9AM at alternating locations between the PHA and OHC.</p>

			<p>This quarter, OHC hired (with their own funding) EJP Consulting to also evaluate what was needed specifically to complete a high-quality final Transformation Plan since the team was aware of the missing elements and detail in the core goals. EJP Consulting provided official recommendations and feedback to the Principal team on May 10th, 2013. These recommendations will be attached to this quarterly report.</p> <p>This quarter's meetings are listed below (meetings available): May 8, 2013-PEOPLE Subcommittee Meeting May 8, 2013- EDUCATION Subcommittee Meeting April 17, 2013-Principals Meeting June's Principals Meeting cancelled June 10, 2013-EDUCATION Subcommittee Meeting July 9, 2013-HUD Conference Call July 21, 2013-Principals Meeting Scheduled Meeting minutes available for HUD Conference Calls and Principal Meetings.</p>
22. Choice Neighborhood Informational Meetings	10/19/11 1/18/12 4/18/12 7/18/12 10/10/12 10/23/12 1/16/13 4/19/13 5/7/13	Completed Completed Completed Postponed Completed Completed Postponed Postponed Completed Completed	<p>4/19/13- Twenty one residents who were interested in being a member of the Manton Heights Planning Committee were presented with clear review of CHOICE, the difference between Planning and Implementation, RAD update, the results of the MH Needs Assessment and how the results can be used in the Transformation Plan. The formation of subcommittees was also presented and recruitment was successful (10 residents/50% joined on or more of the subcommittees). There were 21 residents in attendance, the PHA Chairman, the IED attended as well as numerous PHA staff. This meeting included a working lunch where lunch was provided.</p> <p>5/7/13- A meeting for Planning Committee members</p>

			who are interested in being on the four subcommittees met to discuss what it a subcommittee and were prepared for the content and focus of each subcommittee before the May Subcommittee meetings took place.
23. Conduct Partners Meetings	9/15/11 12/15/11 3/15/12 6/14/12 9/13/12 12/13/12 3/14/13 6/20/13	Conducted Conducted Not Conducted Conducted on 7/12/12 with BTAG Conducted	There have been various partner meetings with Principals and outside organizations that are relevant to Build Olneyville: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ GTECH (PHA) ➤ Rhode Island Housing (OHC) ➤ TRAC Construction (OHC) ➤ Crime Meeting with Regional HUD Director (PHA/OHC) ➤ PEOPLE and EDUCATION Subcommittee Meetings (PHA, OHC, Meeting Street)
24. Conduct Neighborhood Comprehensive Needs Assessment			
24-a. Housing Component	11/15/11	Underway	See BTAG outline.
24-b. Infrastructure Component	12/15/11	Underway	See BTAG outline.
24-c. Supportive Services Component	2/1/12	Underway	See BTAG outline.
24-d. Job Training/Job Creation Component	2/1/12	Underway	See BTAG outline.
24-e. Safety Security Component	2/1/12	Underway	See BTAG outline.
24-f. Educational Component	2/1/12	Underway	See BTAG outline.
25. Complete Neighborhood Comprehensive Needs Assessment	4/15/12	Underway	See BTAG outline.
26. Strategy Session Retreat (Develop Outline of T-Plan) Housing Neighborhood People	5/20/12	Completed.	A retreat was not scheduled, but the meeting in June 2012 served as a "charette" to develop the outline submitted on 6/29/12.

27. 1st Deliverable: Outline of Transformation Plan	6/29/12	Completed	See BTAG outline.
28. 2nd Deliverable: Outline w/Content	9/29/12	Completed	See OHC Transformation Outline #2 submitted on September 28, 2012
29. 3rd Deliverable: Draft Transformation Plan	12/29/12	Completed	See The American City Coalition created the Transformation Plan Draft submitted on December 29, 2012
30. Neighborhood Public Hearing on draft plan		Postponed	This task's value will be further evaluation by the Principal members.
31. 4th Deliverable: Final Draft Transformation Plan	3/29/13	Not due based on the recent CNI Planning Grant Amendment.	The Final Transformation Plan is due on June 29, 2013.
32. Final Transformation Plan	1/31/14	Not due	The Final Transformation Plan is due on 1/31/14 based on the Planning Grant extension.

2. Confirm the planning is on budget (according to the submitted Budget), including a breakdown of amounts spent to date by line item. If not on budget, explain why and the plan to get back on budget. If a budget modification is being requested, note that here.
- The PHA is currently working on Budget Revision 3 in order to move funds from the 1410 Administrative BLI to the 1430 Fees and Costs to assist with some of the anticipated CNI TA Consultant to help us complete/develop/re-format a high quality Final Transformation Plan (RFP for TA Consultant released on 6/19/13).
 - The following budget is as of 3/31/13, since no changes were noted since then.

Budget Line Items	Amount Budgeted	Amount Expended to Date	Amount Remaining in Budget	Comments
BLI 1408 – Capacity Building				
1				
2				
3				
BLI 1410 – Administrative				
1. <u>Planner/Administrator</u> Two years 12.5% FTE PHA	\$22,128.19	\$9,202.39	\$12,925.80	Expenditure exceed planned amount due to time dedicated to project. Any costs after aggregate expenditure will be absorbed by PHA.
2. <u>Staff Travel</u>	\$6,000.00	\$4,735.31	\$1,264.69	
3. <u>Head Set Translating System</u>	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	
4. <u>Program Supplies</u>	\$0.00	\$33.72	(\$33.72)	Fed Ex
BLI 1430 – Fees and Costs				
1. <u>OHC Community Organizer</u> Planning Coordinator Salary, fringe and overhead 2-years (50% FTE)	\$65,398.19	\$56,550.00	\$8,848.19	
2. <u>OHC Technical Assistance</u> Capacity assessment of nbhd nonprofits and TA delivery to grassroots organizations in neighborhood.	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	Funds for service not required

3. <u>Riverside Mills Predevelopment Fees</u> Planning and predevelopment costs for Riverside Mills Education Center. Consultants, A&E fees	\$55,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$0.00	
4. <u>Manton/Olneyville Design/Plan</u> Site planning and design work costs for Manton Heights housing development. A&E & planning fees.	\$47,473.62	\$42,611.37	\$4,862.25	
5. <u>Education & Childhood Development Study</u> Fees for subgrantee to conduct assessment and recommendations to improve education and childcare in the neighborhood.	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	We will commence drawing down funds shortly. Financial system for grant has been created and is now operational.
Budget Line Items	Amount Budgeted	Amount Expended to Date	Amount Remaining in Budget	Comments
6. <u>Assessment: Nbh Economic & Workforce Development</u> Fees to consultant to undertake a study of the neighborhood and to make recommendations.	\$25,000.00	\$24,897.75	\$102.25	
7. <u>Website Development</u> Creation of an interactive website for the CNI neighborhood and general public providing information on progress, meetings, documents, etc.	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	These funds require an account change to Administration (BLI 1410), since it is a PHA staff person creating and administering the web site and not a contracted entity. Request has been made, change pending.
TOTAL	\$250,000.00	\$218,030.54	\$31,969.46	
		87%	13%	

3. Provide a narrative to be shared with other Choice Grantees describing your progress to date on the Transformation Plan, including:
 - a. Additional Resources secured to support planning efforts (i.e. new sources of leverage)

Below please find a list of activities that have taken place since April and July 2013: This list was created in order to create a timeline of events/grant activities that the PHA is working on for their records. If you have any questions or need clarification, feel free to contact Melissa Sanzaro at 401-709-1133 or melissas@pha-providence.com.

April 2013	Comments/Important Notes
1. OHC met with RI Housing to review Choice requirements and prepare them to begin participating in Housing Subcommittee Meetings	
2. LISC partnered with Citizens Bank on Growing Communities Program (national program)	This program focuses on investments into one small neighborhood and the funds are used to support local businesses and organizations.
3. The PHA's Resident Services Department applied for the Growing Communities Program grant	Grant of \$5K was awarded.
4. City of Providence was awarded \$5M grant for the Bloomberg Philanthropies' Mayor Challenge	In partnership with Meeting Street (beating 300 other cities) with the focus of creating family conversation (awaiting the possible impact on the Olneyville area).
5. Meeting Street launched the Healthy Families America Program	This program provides case management for up to 32 first time mothers and follows the mothers and children for the first three years (awaiting the impact on the Olneyville/Manton area).
6. Manton Heights Planning Committee Resident Meeting was held at Manton Heights on April 9, 2013 (20 members attended out of 33). Ten MH Planning Committee members signed up to	The Meeting was held in slideshow format with visual maps and handouts with translation into Spanish. Lunch was served. Meeting Agenda:

participate in upcoming Subcommittee Meetings.



1. CNI update-reviewed the CNI Program, importance of Planning, reviewed Principal partners, reviewed results of Manton Heights Needs Assessment and discussed "What is a Transformation Plan?"
2. RAD update-many residents were interested in converting their subsidy into a PBV and were informed that the application was NOT submitted to HUD due to the PHA's need for more evaluation of program/impact
3. Connected the RESULTS OF THE MH NEEDS ASSESSMENT TO THE VISION OF THE TRANSFORMATION PLAN
4. HOUSING, PEOPLE, NEIGHBORHOOD & EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE OVERVIEW and recruitment

Summarized the contents of April's meeting with PHA contact number for any resident interested in participating in Planning Committee.

7. Newsletter (bilingual) for Manton Heights residents was created and distributed to 330 units (ATTACHED)

Actualización de la Iniciativa Para Transformar la Comunidad (CNI)

En Diciembre del 2012, las Sociedades Principales de CHi le presentaron al HUD, la Tercera copia del Plan de Transformación. El Plan de Transformación es un documento de planificación que muestra la investigación, planificación, estrategia y visión de las Sociedades de CHi para el desarrollo de Manton Heights y la comunidad de Olneyville.

Adicionalmente, las Sociedades de CHi están formando comités subcomités para establecer decisiones efectivas y programas específicos para el Plan de Transformación. Los cuatro comités son **VIVIENDA, DESARROLLO DE LA FIERZA DE TRABAJO, EDUCACIÓN Y SERVICIOS SOCIALES**. Para obtener información, sobre los subcomités o para unirse a un subcomité, póngase en contacto con las Coordinadoras al 401-336-1334.

Actualización del Programa de Asistencia de Demostración para la Renta (RAD)

El Programa RAD le ofrece a las autoridades de vivienda pública una nueva forma de salir de las deudas de vivienda pública y regresar que la vivienda pública estén para mejor servir a las familias de bajos ingresos, hoy y en el futuro.

El PHA ha preparado una aplicación para RAD, sin embargo, no se ha presentado la solicitud debido a los siguientes problemas:

PROGRAMA REVISED Los 112 más de 300 participan en RAD **INCORRECTAMENTE** el PHA no está seguro cómo RAD afecta a los residentes y a su organización.

CAMBIO EN LAS REGLAS En febrero, antes de HUD, fueron recibidos y declararon que algunas de las reglas de RAD debían cambiar significativamente con respecto a los "housings" del programa.

CORTES DE FONDOS FEDERALES El gobierno federal ha reducido las presupuestos de los programas de Sección 8 y del programa de vivienda pública.

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Choice Neighborhood Initiative (CNI) Meeting Draft Issues 2.0
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Manton Heights

- 75% of residents cited security as the #1 priority for the community
- 87% stated that increased police would improve safety
- 64% of residents reported significant problems with mold and mildew, broken appliances, rodent and pest infestations, central unit leaks, cramped units, and unsafe and unimproved hallways
- 82% of household heads lack a high school diploma or GED
- 64% of residents are not working
- 72% of residents stated that key employment and education services were not being met in the community
- 48% of residents indicated poor or fair health
- 81% stated that onsite youth services were very important to Manton Heights

Putting YOUR Resident Concerns To Work

In the fall of 2012, a Manton Heights Needs Assessment (Resident Survey) was conducted. The purpose of the needs assessment was to document the current needs of the Manton Heights community from the residents' perspective.

The resident survey process gathered information on the following themes: housing, neighborhood quality, social service usage, employment, income, education, engaging the community, preferences for services, and other ongoing issues affecting the community.

The Manton Heights Needs Assessment results were an important part of identifying the needs of Manton Heights residents and were used as a planning tool.

The results were also used to establish a Transformation Plan for Manton Heights and the Olneyville neighborhood. The Transformation Plan, titled Build Olneyville, aims to address the needs of the Manton Heights community through the redevelopment of important housing areas, the improvement of transportation, and the organization of financial commitments from community partners. These planning efforts, along with the feedback of residents will foster a new future for Manton Heights and the Olneyville neighborhoods.

8. Things You Considered Flyer (bilingual) was created (ATTACHED).

Summarized the categories of the most important findings of MH Needs Assessment for Manton Heights residents.



May 2013

1. With their own funds, OHC hires EJP Consulting (Gayle Epp) in order to make additional recommendations to complete a high-quality final Transformation Plan

Partners worked to provide EJP with documents that enabled them to make additional recommendations regarding completing a high-quality, final Transformation Plan.

2. EJP recommendations were submitted to Principals. Gayle Epp attended May Principals Meeting to review recommendations. Time line extension recommended until January 2014. (RECOMMENDATION ATTACHED).

EJP Consulting’s recommendation summary:

1. Procure experienced Choice consultant to advise/write/revise final Transformation Plan (major revision needed in Table of Contents/Format).
2. Consultant to assist with 4 Subcommittees by building matrices to enhance strategies for all three core components to guide editing/completion of high-quality Transformation Plan.
3. Procure experienced mixed-finance developer for the on-site replacement housing component with the PHA and OHC as Master/overseer of housing component. Consultant to help guide with roles, RFQ for developer, developer selection. Consultant to develop detailed housing plan through community process
4. Consultant to prepare development and operating proformas, meet with local and state funders to discuss potential leveraging/finance opportunities.
5. Engage residents and PHA Board of Commissioners

3. PHA requests a formal extension of 2010 CNI Planning Grant until January 2014	
4. Manton Heights Planning Committee Resident Meeting at Manton Heights to review purpose/outlines of CNI SUBCOMMITTEES conducted on 5/7/13	Reviewed purpose of Subcommittees in order to make resident members feel comfortable and decide where their residents' interests lie.
5. PEOPLE and EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE meetings were held at Manton Heights on 5/8/13	<p>PEOPLE SUBCOMMITTEE-members reviewed the broad/expansive impact of the subcommittee and formed a matrix to send to each partnering organization. To date, the matrix has not been completed by all members but is on its way. Blank matrix is attached.</p> <p>EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE-members added on to Education component outcomes with discussion.</p>
June 2013	
1. HUD approved the Planning Grant extension until January 2014.	Official letter arrived at PHA on 6/24/13.
2. PHA received \$5K Workforce Development in Manton Heights project through the Growing Communities Initiative	A "Growing Communities Initiative" grant from Citizens Bank will offset a portion of the cost of the Commuter Instructor. Youth and teens enrolled in the PHA's after school Youth Program, provided in partnership with the Providence Boys and Girls Club (BGC), will have access to the lab during Youth Program hours of operation; BGC staff will provide supervision and instruction.
3. GTECH begin painting of MH Computer Resource Center at Manton Heights to place donated computer lab.	GTECH has very generously renovated the PHA's Computer Resource Center (CRC) at Manton Heights and equipped it with eight new PCs. GTECH has invited residents, staff and the media to a "grand opening" of the lab on Monday, August 5th from 3-5 pm. In return for this donation, the PHA will ensure that Manton Heights residents and others from the Olneyville community have access to the CRC lab beginning this fall. A part time,

	<p>bilingual Computer Instructor is currently being sought to deliver eight (8) 5-week sessions of Broadband RI's newly developed "Digital Literacy" curriculum for adults. The curriculum teaches students basic computer skills and how to navigate the internet. 2 hr classes are offered once a wk and sessions run concurrent with the academic year; both day and evening classes will be available and offered free of charge. The Computer Instructor will also establish a schedule for "drop in" use of the CRC lab and will supervise the lab during those times.</p>
<p>4. Request for Proposals was designed for CNI TA Consultant and distributed to 7 firms.</p>	<p>THE RFP, COVER LETTER AND LIST OF FIRMS ARE ATTACHED.</p>
<p>5. 3 Proposals were received by July12th, 2013. The interviews of all proposers are being scheduled in the last week of July.</p>	<p>Proposals available/Rating System available/Interviews (2 made to date)</p>
<p>6. EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE met on 6/10/13</p>	<p>Reviewed May's minutes, working on Planning Matrix</p>

b.. Detail on leverage secured and spent to date to support planning efforts (please list, at a minimum, all leverage included in grant application) **LEVERAGING DOCUMENT HAS BEEN ATTACHED.**

Source of Leverage	Intended Use	Dollar Amount Secured	Dollar Amount Spent to Date

c. Additional resources secured to support implementation

- The Providence CNI Team is still waiting for feedback about a RAD Program presentation that was offered through HUD's TA Consultants. Various members have viewed webinars and are abreast of the most recent updated PIH notice regarding the program.
- LISC has donated \$20K to the CNI Team to help with the cost of the procured CNI TA Consultant.
- An RFP was released to acquire an experienced CNI TA Consultant to help the team better understand their options within the housing component, engage the community and Board of Commissioners as well as complete a better structured, high-quality and comprehensive Final Transformation Plan.
- City of Providence (in partnership with Meeting Street) was awarded a \$5M Bloomberg Philanthropies' Mayors Challenges (beating 300 other cities) with the focus of creating family conversation.
- Meeting Street launched the Healthy Families America Program. This program provides case management for up to 32 first time mothers and follows the mothers and children for the first three years in the Providence community.
- OHC worked with TRAC Construction and various volunteers in order to give the D'Abate School (centrally located in the heart of Olneyville) a facelift by painting the outside.
- GTECH has very generously renovated the PHA's Computer Resource Center (CRC) at Manton Heights and equipped it with eight new PCs. GTECH has invited residents, staff and the media to a "grand opening" of the lab on Monday, August 5th from 3-5 pm. In return for this donation, the PHA will ensure that Manton Heights residents and others from the Olneyville community have access to the CRC lab beginning this fall. A part time, bilingual Computer Instructor is currently being sought to deliver eight (8) 5-week sessions of Broadband RI's newly developed "Digital Literacy" curriculum for adults. The curriculum teaches students basic computer skills and how to navigate the internet. Two-hour classes are offered once a week and sessions run concurrent with the

academic year; both day and evening classes will be available and offered free of charge. The Computer Instructor will also establish a schedule for "drop in" use of the CRC lab and will supervise the lab during those times.

- A \$5K "Growing Communities Initiative" grant from Citizens Bank will offset a portion of the cost of the Computer Instructor for the donated lab. Youth and teens enrolled in the PHA's after school Youth Program, provided in partnership with the Providence Boys and Girls Club (BGC), will have access to the lab during Youth Program hours of operation; BGC staff will provide supervision and instruction.
- OHC's award for Olneyville Square One was renewed for \$175K and a website designed (olneyvillesquare.com) with banner marketing, flower pots throughout the square and group business marketing. OHC and partners have decided to include the upkeep of Olneyville Square with workforce development by incorporation job/landscape training as the Square is maintained.
- OHC/LISC meet regularly to prepare for the next Byrne Grant NOFA.
- LISC is gearing up for the fall's funding/programs and are meeting with the RI Foundation and the United Way in August to discuss best community development practices in the Manton Heights and Hartford Park areas.

d. Breakdown of progress against the three core CN goals: People, Housing, and Neighborhoods

Due to the recommendations made by the two recent consultants for the Providence CNI Team, the Principal members have decided to seek the assistance of a properly procured CNI TA Consultant to assist them in improving and completing a high-quality and sustainable Final Transformation Plan. Within it, all **three core goals** will be enhanced with a consultant's CNI expertise specifically with:

- mixed finance development beyond bricks and mortar
- improved plan structure and format to improve measurable outcomes of plan
- better attained comprehensive approaches and program strategies with detail
- Community, PHA Board and Subcommittee engagement

e. Any challenges being faced, including any with which HUD or other Grantees may be able to provide assistance.

1. The CNI Planning Team needs to procure an experienced CNI TA Consultant to help with the HOUSING COMPONENT and finalizing, developing a structure and high-quality Transformation Plan (we are not happy with it and realize the core goals are limited in detail and strategy) as well as the engagement of the PHA Board
2. Although an extension was graciously given to the team, the team is still worried about the amount of time in order to complete the above- mentioned tasks.
3. The team is worried about RI's LIHTC allocation as it related to their Transformation Plan vision.
4. The PHA is experiencing challenges/lack of clear answers regarding their bond and its regulations/limitation as it relates to any future CNI activities.

f. Any recent press coverage, web content, research, planning information or other materials that you have found helpful and would like to share with others.

Not at this time