



**JULY 2011 UPDATE**

**HUD HOMELESS PROJECTS 2010**

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 HUD Continuum of Care renewal awards were announced on January 19, 2011 and the new awards were announced on April 28, 2011. More than \$1.628 billion was awarded to an unprecedented number of 7432 local programs, of which 691 were new projects.

The Continuum of Care provides funding for transitional housing, permanent supportive housing and supportive services for homeless persons.

The DuPage Homeless Continuum received \$ 3,685,742 in funding for fourteen renewal and 2 new projects. All new and renewal projects were fully funded. This was a 2.7% increase from the previous year total award of \$ 3,587,396 due to one new renewal project.

The DuPage Continuum submitted for 2 new projects in 2010. Both projects were fully funded for a total of \$ 223,988. These projects will add 2 individual beds for chronically homeless veterans and 5 units for chronically homeless families with 18 new beds.

<b>2010 HUD SUPERNOFA CONTINUUM OF CARE NEW PROJECT AWARDS</b>				
<b>PROJECTS</b>	<b>PROJECT NAME</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Term</b>
1. Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	First Light	Permanent Supportive Housing for 5 chronically homeless families in 5 units. (estimated 18 beds)	\$ 197,038	2 years
2. DuPage P.A.D.S., Inc. ( re-allocation)	Veterans PSH	Permanent Supportive Housing for 2 chronically homeless veterans in 2 units	\$ 26,950	1 year
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 223,988</b>	

<b>2010 HUD SUPERNOFA CONTINUUM OF CARE RENEWAL AWARDS</b>				
<b>PROJECTS</b>	<b>PROJECT NAME</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Term</b>
<b>RENEWALS</b>				
Bridge Communities, Inc.	Outside Housing	Transitional Housing for 10 homeless families	<b>\$ 111,376</b>	1 year
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	DuPage Daybreak	Transitional Housing renewal for homeless families – 11 units	<b>\$ 216,230</b>	1 year
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	Partners In Housing	Permanent Supportive Housing for 14 chronically homeless	<b>\$ 417,484</b>	1 year

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		persons and 13 homeless families with disabilities.		
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	SHIFT- New Hope	Permanent Supportive Housing for 22 homeless families with multiple disabilities in 22 units.	<b>\$ 842,965</b>	1 year
DuPage County Community Services Dept.	HMIS	HMIS dedicated renewal project.	<b>\$ 151,667</b>	1 year
DuPage County Community Services Dept.	Move Ahead	Case management and follow-up services to 30 formerly homeless families.	<b>\$ 35,550</b>	1 year
DuPage County Health Dept.	Housing Intensive Services ( Shelter plus Care renewal)	21 individual units and 3 family units for homeless persons.	<b>\$ 264,384</b>	1 year
DuPage County Health Dept.	MISA/CAP	Permanent Supportive Hsng for 49 mentally ill individuals in 21 apartment units	<b>\$ 573,994</b>	1 year
DuPage County Health Dept.	SAIL	Permanent Supportive Housing for 10 mentally ill persons in 5 units.	<b>\$ 51,920</b>	1 year
DuPage P.A.D.S., Inc.	Carol's Place – ( combined with Bright Start)	Permanent Supportive Housing for 21 chronically homeless persons in 21 scattered units.	<b>\$ 302,368</b>	1 year
DuPage P.A.D.S., Inc.	Front Door (first renewal)	Permanent Supportive Housing for 7 chronically homeless persons in 7 scattered units.	<b>\$ 98,980</b>	1 year
DuPage P.A.D.S., Inc.	Stepping Stones	Transitional Housing for 14 homeless single individuals in 7 units.	<b>\$ 123,472</b>	1 year
NCO Youth & Family Services	Youth In Transition	Transitional housing for 10 homeless males ages 18-22 in 5 units.	<b>\$ 202,584</b>	1 year
Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.	DuPage Legal Assistance for Homeless	Legal support services to 130 homeless persons.	<b>\$ 68,780</b>	1 year
Serenity House Counseling Services, Inc.	Serenity House Recovery Home	Transitional housing for homeless individuals in recovery – 10 beds in one housing unit.	<b>\$26,950</b>	1 year
		<b>TOTAL RENEWAL PROJECTS FUNDED</b>	<b>\$ 3,461,754</b>	

**NOTICE OF FUND AVAILABILITY AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**HUD 2011 SUPERNOFA HOMELESS APPLICATION PROCESS**

The DuPage Homeless Continuum completed the application and selection process for HUD's 2011 Continuum of Care funding. The programs covered include the Supportive Housing, Shelter Plus Care, and Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy for Homeless Individuals (SRO) programs.

A Notice of Fund Availability and call for projects was issued to all Continuum members on February 14, 2011. The DuPage Continuum has a hold harmless pro rata share of \$3,224,320 million with an incentive amount of \$201,957 over 2 years for a new Permanent

Housing project(s) serving homeless families and/or individuals with disabilities, with an emphasis on chronically homeless and veterans.

The DuPage Continuum is authorized to reallocate any of its over \$3.2 million hold harmless pro rata share from renewals to new Permanent Supportive Housing projects or a new dedicated HMIS project.

Agencies were encouraged to submit new projects for consideration by the Needs Assessment Committee. Initial oral presentations of NEW proposed projects or revisions to renewals were held at the Needs Assessment Committee meeting on February 17, 2011.

Written Business Plans of all new and renewal projects were reviewed by the Needs Assessment Committee at their meeting on March 17, 2011. All projects submitted were approved to move forward.

The Grants Funding committee reviewed the projects on April 5 and May 23, 2011. Final funding recommendations were made to the Leadership committee on May 11, 2011.

All renewal projects were recommended as submitted. One new bonus project application was submitted. The DuPage PADS Crossroads project which will provide 6 permanent supportive housing units to 2 chronically homeless families and 4 chronically homeless individuals of which 2 units will be designated for veterans. This project will be submitted in the 2011 HUD Exhibit One for the permanent housing bonus funds of \$ 201,957.

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**ARRA FUNDING FOR HOMELESS PREVENTION AND RAPID REHOUSING  
(HPRP)**

DuPage County received \$ 1,443,723 in federal and \$ 1,296,342 in state homeless prevention and rehousing funds which were part of the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009*. The funds became available in October 2009 with up to three years for expenditure. The county made the federal funds a two year program allowing time to re-allocate funds if necessary for the final year. Final expenditures are projected for October 31, 2011 with possible extensions to December 31, 2011.

These funds have had a meaningful impact on homelessness and housing stability for participating households. The goals are: preventing people from homelessness; diverting people who are applying for shelter into other housing; and helping people who become homeless to quickly return to permanent housing. Eligible households include people with very low incomes (below 50% of the Area Median Income AMI), who lack resources for housing and who are homeless or would be homeless *but for this assistance*. The DuPage County Continuum targets households that have a demonstrated housing crisis, that meet one or more risk factors and that are likely to remain stably housed after this assistance.

Expenditures as of June 30, 2011 are as follows:

	<b>STATE AWARD</b>	<b>BALANCE LEFT</b>	<b>FEDERAL AWARD</b>	<b>BALANCE LEFT</b>
<b>Set Asides</b>				
Prairie State Legal Services			\$ 68,500	\$ 11,012
DuPage			\$ 68,500	\$ 57, 866

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Homeownership Center				
HMIS	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,826	\$ 50,000	\$ 28,251
Housing Quality Standards Inspection			\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000 to be transferred
Community Development Admin			\$ 43,312	\$ 5,238
<b>Agencies RFP</b>				
Peoples Resource Center	\$ 407,256	\$ 74,600	\$ 315,845	\$ 70,433
Outreach Community Ministries	\$ 151,531	\$ 15,065	\$ 128,719	\$ 4,612
DuPage County Human Services	\$ 366,607	\$ 78,082	\$ 309,566	\$ 123,625
Catholic Charities	\$ 360,948	\$ 27,500	\$ 285,281	\$ 39,247
Hinsdale Community Services			\$ 150,000	\$ 29,229
	\$ 1,296,342		\$ 1,433,723	\$ 383,513

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**2011 RANKING CRITERIA**

The project ranking criteria that are used to evaluate CDBG and HUD funded projects are reviewed annually by the Grants Funding Committee. There have been changes from the previous Ranking Criteria, most specifically in the areas of duplication of programs, cultural competence, and continuum participation. The most recent Ranking Criteria is available to any interested parties. To receive it, please contact Peg White Lijewski at [plijewski@wideopenwest.com](mailto:plijewski@wideopenwest.com)

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**ILLINOIS HOMELESS PREVENTION FUNDING FY 12**

The DuPage County Homeless Continuum recognizes that prevention is the first strategic step in addressing homelessness and is well documented as the most cost effective strategy for ending homelessness. A coordinated system for distribution of homeless prevention funding to qualifying households, using a small network of agencies throughout DuPage County, has developed over time. All homeless service providers in the County may access these funds for eligible clients. See [www.dupagehomeless.org/HomelessPrevention](http://www.dupagehomeless.org/HomelessPrevention) to obtain the list of agencies providing funds by geographic areas. The Homeless Prevention Providers Network group meets regularly and has a joint strategy and coordinated procedures for client accountability and the disbursement of homeless prevention funds.

For FY 12, the state of Illinois instructed the Continuums to submit their homeless prevention funding application using the FY 11 levels, with the stipulation that these were subject to change by the General Assembly in the ongoing budget revisions at the state level. The DuPage Homeless Continuum's state allocation was \$153,360. The Leadership Committee approved that this year's funds be allocated using the same percentage allocations as last year to the same agencies. There has been appropriate performance and expenditures from these agencies to date.

Funding allocations are:

<b>Homeless Prevention Funding by Agency</b>	<b>2008 &amp; 2009 Allocation</b>	<b>2010 Allocation</b>	<b>2011 Allocation</b>	<b>2012 Allocation</b>
Catholic Charities	196,900	43,021	43,021	43,021
DuPage Community Services	200,000	43,711	43,711	43,711
Outreach Community Ministries	82,700	18,070	18,070	18,070
People's Resource Center	222,200	48,558	48,558	48,558
Total	701,800	153,360	153,360	153,360

Note: In FY10, DuPage CoC's state homeless prevention funds were reduced from \$701,800 to \$153,360 due to state funding cutbacks and this was no reflection on performance.

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**ONE NIGHT COUNT OF HOMELESS PERSONS**

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires Continuums to complete a point-in-time (PIT) count at least every two years during the last ten days of January. 2011 was a required year and the count was conducted on January 27, 2011. Nationally, this homeless count is used as the primary data source for federal agencies to understand homeless trends and track progress against goals and objectives. Additionally, the Congressionally-mandated Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) is prepared using PIT and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data. HUD asks for information about "individuals" (adults not accompanied by children), "families" (adult(s) with minor children), and "unaccompanied homeless children under 18). In addition, information must be collected on veterans and the chronically homeless.

"A Chronically Homeless Person or Family is an unaccompanied homeless individual with a disabling condition or a family with at least one adult member who has a disabling condition who has either been continuously homeless for a year or more OR has had at least four (4) episodes of homelessness in the past three (3) years. The term homeless in this case means a person sleeping in a place not meant for human habitation (e.g., living on the streets), in an emergency homeless shelter, or in a Safe Haven as defined by HUD. The total number of persons in chronically homeless families includes both the adult members who are chronically homeless and family members who are with them, either sheltered or unsheltered."

The sheltered population count for the night of January 27, 2011 showed the following: 221 person in emergency shelter (185 last year) and 422 persons in transitional housing (419 last year). There were 125 households with dependent children (117 last year) and 292 households without children (254 last year). There were 110 chronically homeless

individuals and 22 chronically homeless family members which was a significant increase from 49 chronically homeless individuals in 2010.

The unsheltered count of homeless persons found a total of 33 persons compared to 108 persons in 2009. There was a decrease of unsheltered households with children from 3 in 2009 to 1 in 2011. There were 15 chronically homeless persons – 9 singles, 1 family with 3 members, and 3 adult family members. There were 5 persons ages 18-24.

The increase in persons in emergency shelter is offset by the decrease in persons on the street. You may see further details of these results on [www.dupagehomeless.org](http://www.dupagehomeless.org) under Homeless /Poverty Data.

The 2011 Point In Time homeless persons data as well as the Housing Inventory bed count is entered directly into the HUD Homelessness Data Exchange (HDX) web site – <http://hudhdx.info/>. As in years past, the 2011 Housing Inventory data is based on data that the Continuum collects in the annual provider survey during the last ten days of January.

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### **DUPAGE CONTINUUM ANNUAL REPORT CARD**

The report card on Ending Homelessness in DuPage County was developed under the leadership of Ms. Carol Simler, Chair of the Community Outreach Committee of the DuPage Homeless Continuum. This report provides a profile of homelessness in DuPage for a twelve month period and is used to chart how the situation has changed.

Ms. Simler presented the second annual Report Card to all DuPage County Board members in February 2011. County board members expressed their appreciation of the presentation. The period of time reported was July 2009 through June 2010.

The number of individuals using the shelter system decreased by 2% from 1,512 to 1,486; however, this does not necessarily reflect a decrease in demand. Funding cuts caused a decrease in the number of available beds for domestic violence services, limiting the number of individuals served. The number of families using the shelter system increased 24% to 254, compared to 203 the previous twelve months.

Single men comprised the largest number of shelter users at 733, or 49% of the shelter population. The number of women using shelters decreased from 554 to 520; this can at least, in part, be attributed to the decrease in the number of available beds for domestic violence survivors.

Each of the three progress indicators received a C rating indicating no/slight progress in ending homelessness.

The DuPage Homeless Continuum will continue to update the Report Card annually and evaluate its results. To view the 2010 report card, click on <http://www.dupagehomeless.org/Continuum%20Report%20Card%202-%2017-%2011.pdf>

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**DEBRIEFING ON THE 2010 CONTINUUM COMPETITION**

The DuPage CoC scored 87 points out of a possible 100. Nationally the high Score was 91.25 and the low score was 38.5. The average national score was 75.42. Following is further information by scoring category.

Scoring Category	Maximum Score (Points)	DuPage CoC Score (Points)	National Average Score	Comparison To National Average
<i>CoC Housing, Services, and Structure</i>	14	12.75	12.29	Above
<i>Homeless Needs and Data Collection</i>	26	22.5	19.82	Above
<i>CoC Strategic Planning</i>	22	21	16.94	Above
<i>CoC Performance</i>	32	26.75	22.39	Above
<i>Emphasis on Housing Activities</i>	6	4	3.98	Equal
<b>Total CoC Score</b>	100	87	75.42	Above

**NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF SCORES**

- 90-100 = 1%
- 80 - 89 = 34%
- 70-79 = 41%
- 65-69 = 11%
- Below 65 = 13%

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**HEARTH ACT AND OPENING DOORS**

The HEARTH (Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing) Act of 2009 amended the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. Its purpose is to consolidate the current HUD homeless assistance programs, codify the Continuum of Care funding process, and establish the goal of returning homeless persons to housing within 30 days. It also changes the existing Emergency Shelter Grants into Emergency Solutions grants with new requirements.

On April 8, 2011 Congress passed a Continuing Resolution for the remainder of FY2011 that funded the current Continuum competitive programs rather than the new programs authorized under HEARTH. Therefore, HUD will not implement the new Continuum program in FY2011. They hope to have both the authority and the funds to more fully implement HEARTH in FY2012.

No regulations for the HEARTH legislation have been issued yet. The definition of homelessness regulation is being finalized. HUD continues to work on the remainder of the HEARTH Act regulations (Emergency Solutions Grant, Homeless Management Information Systems, the Continuum of Care Program and the Rural Housing Stability Program) and release them for public comment in the coming months. HUD will continue to keep us updated on the progress of the regulations as they are released for public comment.

Please be aware that current regulations remain in place until new regulations are in effect. HUD will clearly state when each of the new regulations takes effect, and will provide

technical assistance and training resources to get grantees up to speed on the new requirements. This includes the definition of homelessness.

Further information on HEARTH is available at <http://www.hudhre.info/hearth> HUD has posted the presentations from the September 2010 HEARTH HMIS Training Conference at this site. Scroll down to HEARTH HMIS Training Conference where you will find information from the workshops and the plenary sessions, including handouts and speaker presentations. These are grouped and organized according to their subject matter (HEARTH, Continuum of Care, HMIS, etc.).

The United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH – [www.usich.gov](http://www.usich.gov)) was given a mandate by the United States Congress to create a plan to end America's homelessness through the HEARTH Act. On June 22, 2010, the US Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) delivered *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness 2010*, the nation's first comprehensive strategy to prevent and end homelessness to President Obama and Congress. The plan's goals include: finishing the job of ending chronic homelessness in 5 years; preventing and ending homelessness among veterans in 5 years; preventing and ending homelessness for families, youth and children in 10 years and setting a path to ending all types of homelessness. The objectives of the plan are structured thematically, specifically by increasing leadership, collaboration and civic engagement, increasing access to stable and affordable housing, increasing economic security, improving health and stability and retooling the homeless crisis response system.

The entire Plan document is available at [http://www.ich.gov/PDF/OpeningDoors\\_2010\\_FSPPreventEndHomeless.pdf](http://www.ich.gov/PDF/OpeningDoors_2010_FSPPreventEndHomeless.pdf)

On June 22, 2011 Labor Secretary Hilda Solis who also serves as USICH Chair hosted a stakeholder webinar and conference call to mark the one year anniversary of the release of *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to End Homelessness*. Special Assistant to the President for Urban Affairs Derek Douglas and USICH Executive Director Barbara Poppe joined Secretary Solis to discuss the roles the federal government and Administration have played over the first year of Opening Doors. Key leaders shared their thoughts on the impact of plan implementation to date and what is needed as we move forward into year two of implementation. At the end of the webinar a panel of experts fielded questions from the audience. You may view this webinar at:

[http://www.usich.gov/media\\_center/news/watch\\_the\\_opening\\_doors\\_anniversary\\_webinar\\_online\\_now/](http://www.usich.gov/media_center/news/watch_the_opening_doors_anniversary_webinar_online_now/)

Also on the one-year anniversary of the release of *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness*, the National Alliance to End Homelessness released a report analyzing the success of the member federal agencies of the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness in meeting the Plan's ambitious goals. The Progress Report reveals that while there was a great deal of activity on the 52 strategies the Plan identified to meet the goals, measurable progress has been made on only 18 of the strategies. Moreover, preliminary data suggest that instead of going down, homelessness in the country may have increased slightly during the first year of the Plan. You may access the full report at <http://www.endhomelessness.org/content/article/detail/4024>



## **DUPAGE HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)**

Successes of the HMIS committee and staff in the past year include:

- AHAR 6 successful submission.
- Obtaining sheltered Point In Time homeless count using the HMIS system.
- Timely completion of HPRP Reports/State and Federal.
- Completed and submitted the new HUD APR.
- Trainings conducted on site at the committee meetings, including ART reports.
- Provided 7 days of Bowman sponsored trainings including Advanced ART training, as well as an End User Training.
- Collection of HMIS data for the Annual Continuum Report Card.
- Updated of the User's Manual to reflect the March 2010 HUD Data Standards.
- Hired and trained a Database Coordinator to aid in managing the HMIS.
- Ensured that null, data incongruity and HPRP w/client detail are run monthly by participating agencies
- Ensured that null, logical and other standard reports are run monthly at a minimum by the Database Coordinator and/or System Administrator.
- Participation in the regional HMIS Roundtable via telephone by the System Administrator,
- Upgraded the HMIS to Servicepoint 5.2

Additional resources on the HMIS Data Standards are available on [www.HMIS.info](http://www.HMIS.info). To view these resources, click on the "[Linked Resources](#)" at [www.HMIS.info](http://www.HMIS.info).

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## **MAINSTREAM BENEFITS & TRAINING INFORMATION**

### **CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC COMPETENCY**

A self assessment process for agencies is being offered by the DuPage Federation on Human Services Reform. The process asks each agency to describe the methodology, findings and their plan for addressing areas identified as needing improvement. Two sessions were offered in June 2011 and more are being scheduled. For further information, contact Amy Snodgrass at [asnodgrass@dupagefederation.org](mailto:asnodgrass@dupagefederation.org)

### **SOAR TRAINING**

SOAR = Social Security Outreach, Advocacy and Recovery.

The Illinois Dept. of Human Services is sponsoring specialized training for assisting persons who are applying for SSI/SSDI disability benefits. Workshops are being held at different locations throughout the state. The focus is to change what we do, not the system, in order to increase efficiency and the enrollment of disabled homeless persons on social security disability. The training is targeted for homeless persons who meet the definition of "permanently disabled" which is 12 months or longer with an impaired ability to work. Results of the training show a significant increase in getting persons enrolled without

appeals and a significantly shorter time frame. The CoC will continue to publicize the training events throughout 2011-12 and encourage all agencies to participate. For the latest SOAR information, contact Kathryn Nelson at [knelson@dupagefederation.org](mailto:knelson@dupagefederation.org)

### **MAKING THE CONNECTION – QUICK GUIDE TO PUBLIC RESOURCES**

A manual of qualifying criteria and contact information for public benefits and supportive services offered by local, state or federal agencies. "Making the Connection Manual" is available to view and download from the Continuum website -

[www.dupagehomeless.org](http://www.dupagehomeless.org)  
Benefits Updates/Making the Connection

### **THE HELPER**

A quick desk reference guide to agencies in DuPage County providing specific services such as child care, advocacy, employment, etc. The updated HELPER is available to view and download from the Continuum website. - [www.dupagehomeless.org](http://www.dupagehomeless.org)

Benefits Updates/The HELPER

### **BENEFITS TRAINING**

The DuPage Federation for Human Services Reform conducts Making the Connection Basic Benefits Training for human service professionals.

They also conduct specialized training seminars on Public Benefits for a variety of specific segments of the population, i.e. youth, domestic violence victims, immigrants, etc. Advanced topic trainings are available on Public Benefits and Single Adults, Youth up to age 21, Mental Health and Public Benefits, Understanding Spend down, Understanding Appeals, Domestic Violence and Public Benefits, Immigrants and Putting the Pieces Together.

This training can assist non-profits, schools, faith based organizations, local governments, businesses and health care providers to identify their customers who may be eligible for mainstream benefits and know how to expedite the application process.

A complete 2011-12 training schedule along with registration information will be posted as it becomes available at the Continuum website - [www.dupagehomeless.org](http://www.dupagehomeless.org)

Benefits Updates/Benefits Training

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### **WEBSITE UPDATE**

[www.dupagehomeless.org](http://www.dupagehomeless.org)

If you have suggestions on enhancements to the site or additional information, please contact [plijewski@wideopenwest.com](mailto:plijewski@wideopenwest.com) We welcome your input!

**The Leadership Committee thanks Eileen Clark, Associate Professor of Computer Science at Benedictine University who is doing a wonderful job on keeping the site updated.**

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**MEETING CALENDAR**

A calendar of all Continuum committee meetings for the period from July 2011 through July 2012 is available on [www.dupagehomeless.org](http://www.dupagehomeless.org) under Continuum Overview.

**DUPAGE CONTINUUM LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The DuPage CoC is pleased to welcome Lynn Strevell as a new member of the Leadership Committee. Lynn is the Homeless Student Advocate for the DuPage Regional Office of Education. For the past 5 years, she has spread the word about the educational rights of homeless students and works with school districts to ensure that they know, understand and properly implement to law. Over the past 20 years, Lynn has worked with elementary, high school and collegiate students in a variety of administrative capacities. She holds a bachelor's degree in human development and a master's degree in educational administration. She succeeds Elizabeth Donovan, chair of the governance subcommittee, who contributed greatly to the Continuum's progress.

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