

**Richmond Tri-Cities
Local Human Rights Committee Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2008**

Hosted by:

Location: Renisaussa Conference Center, 107 W. Broad Street, Richmond, VA

Committee Members present: Tarah Comer

Affiliates present: * **Acclaim Care Inc.**, ____, **Alternative Counseling Group, LLC**, Thomila Wilson **Between the T's**, Tim Reading, **Brookfield (T)**, Ebony Sauls , **Changing Fazes**, Troy Dean, **Community Connections**, ____, **Edgewood Group Family Services**, Erika Brooks, **Faith & Family Advocates**, John T. Redd, **Faith Partners Care Group**, Antoinette Pierce, **Family Impact, Inc** * **Family Transitions**, Matt Marek, **Good Neighbor Homes**, Michelle Evans, Kim Vaughan, **Halo, Inc.**, ____, **Hope, Unity & Freedom**, A. Wills, **LautAlex, LLC(T)**, Eunice Gilchrist, **Life Construction**, Laverne Lumzy, **Lumzy's Residential Services, Inc.**, Jamie Faulcon, June Harvell, **Metro Area Support Services (T)**, Joseph A. Kemp, II, **Open Arms Family Services**, Fredrick Rogers, **Renewance Services, LLC**, Dr. ____, ____, **Safe Haven Inc.**, Ron Smith, **Substance Abuse Consulting Services, Inc.**, Denise Taylor, **Taylor's Enhanced Living**, Myna Buie, **Transitional Adult Residential Care**, Thomas Chase, **Wilkerson Consulting Services**, Gwendolyn Andrews, **Wise Enterprises**, Hannibal Tuck, **Youth Pathway, LLC.**, **Silvia Hill, LHRC**, and **James Christmas, III, LHRC**. **Others:** Pete Chavis, **Influential Family Services**, G. Wilkerson, and Dr. John

I. Welcome/ Call to Order:

Tarah Comer called the meeting to order @ 6:35pm

II. Introductions:

Members and Affiliates gave introductions, providing program name and name of representative(s)

III. Public Comment:

An affiliate requested that affiliates provided updates on their e-mail address and other modes of contact information to ensure that communication with-in the affiliates remain effective.

A affiliate, announced that they were aware of a person that does provide First Responses [first aid/ CPR] certification, a physical restraint course[TOVA], and medication management course for good rates.

IV. Approval of May 20, 2008 Minutes

V. Old Business:

LHRC July 15, 2008 quorum was satisfied, therefore the LHRC accepted or denied the following that was deferred from the May 20, meeting:

1. Termination of LHRC Membership of Mr. Lynn G. Robeson- approved
2. Program Expansion: Good Neighbor Homes/Intensive In-Home Services-approved
3. Program Expansion: Changing Fazes/Outpatient Program – approved
4. Program Expansion: Faith & Family Advocates/Therapeutic Day Treatment Services-approved
5. Report of Human Rights Activities: Transitional Adult Residential Care May 20, 2008 report- approved.
6. Motion to accept Human Rights Activities Reported at the July 15, RTC/LHRC meeting
New Business:

VI. Election of Officers:

1. Tarah Comer, Chair
2. James “Jimmy” Christmas, III, Vice-Chair
3. Silvia Hill, Secretary

VII. Request for Affiliation(s):

1. Program Expansion: Safe Haven Inc., A. John Bamisile / Residential Program for Children & Adolescents [Teen Option] in Chesterfield, Virginia, which will provide program services for male or females from the ages of 12- 21 years of age—program approved
2. Program Expansion(s) : Taylor’s Enhanced Living, Denise Taylor and Carlton Starke;
 - A. Addition of Third location @ 1655 East Tuckahoe Street, in Petersburg, Virginia, which will provide services for adults, with disabilities; and
 - B. Addition of intensive in-home services , that will provide evidence-based quality therapeutic including but not limited to, functional behavioral assessments, positive behavior supports and pre and post discharge planning for participants and families from the ages of 4- 21 years of age - programs - approved
3. Program Expansion(s): Faith Partner’s Care Group Inc., Lisa M. Adkins; addition of residential group home @ 11424 Gayton Road, Richmond, Virginia, which provides mental retardation wavier services for adults 18 and older, the residential home, will have the capacity to serve up to five (5) individuals. –program approved. ; and
 - B. Community Mental Health Support Services will be presented at the September LHR meeting.

4. Program Expansion: Transitional Adult Residential Care, Dorothy P. Warren; addition of residential group home @ 5001 Southmoor Road, Richmond, Virginia, which shall provide residential care for adults with mental retardation- program approved

VIII. Affiliate Presentations

****Human Rights Activity Reports were received and accepted from the following providers:***

- ✓ Acclaim Care Inc.
- ✓ All Family Matters
- ✓ Alternative Counseling Group
- ✓ Beetween the T's
- ✓ Brookfield
- ✓ Changing Fazes
- ✓ Community Connections
- ✓ Edgewood Group Family Services
- ✓ Faith & Family Advocates
- ✓ Faith Partners Care Group
- ✓ Family Impact
- ✓ Family Transitions
- ✓ Good Neighbor Homes
- ✓ Halo, Inc.
- ✓ Hope, Unity & Freedom
- ✓ LaurAlex, LLC
- ✓ Life Construction
- ✓ Lumzy's Residential Services
- ✓ Mercy 'N' Grace Residential Services, Inc.
- ✓ Metro Area Support Services
- ✓ Open Arms Family Services
- ✓ Renewance Services, LLC
- ✓ Safe Haven Inc.
- ✓ Substance Abuse Consulting Services, Inc.
- ✓ Taylor's Enhance Living
- ✓ Transitional Adult Residential Care
- ✓ Wilkerson Consulting Services
- ✓ Wise Enterprises
- ✓ Youth Pathway, LLC

****Activity Reports are on file at the Office of Human Rights***

IX. Office of Human Rights Comments:

Michael Curseen, Human Rights Advocate shares the following:

Peer on Peer aggression handout was given to providers Mr. Curseen explain the terminology and reporting procedures. He opens the floor for questions and response.

He asked for liaisons assistance in finding interested volunteers to serve on the LHRC.

X. Next Meeting: September 16, 2008

XI. Ms. T. Comer, Chair, adjourned the meeting @ 8p.m.

XII. Executive Session- Applicant for Membership:

The LHRC Committee went into closed session approximate 8:15p.m. to interview LHRC applicants for membership: Dona Edmondson and Veronica Thweatt.