

SALEM H.O.P.E.

Human Organization Partnership Effort

**Networking Breakfast Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2013
9:00 A.M. Sharp**

Hosted by:

**North Shore Career Center
70 Washington Street, Street, Salem, MA**

All social service agency representatives serving Salem residents are welcome.

PLEASE RSVP ATTENDANCE TO CHARLENE SNOW AT csnow@detma.org

AGENDA

- 9:00 I. Welcome & Group Introductions
- 9:05 II. Agency Welcome – Mark Whitmore, Executive Director
- 9:20 III. Information Exchange - All attendees present - 1 minute per agency please
Bring any new brochures!
- 9:55 V. 74th Salem H.O.P.E. Newsletter (to be issued in May)
*E-mail your announcements, job postings, event notices, articles etc.
for May through September to jguy@salem.com – Deadline 5/2/13*
- VI. Next meeting dates (tentative):
*Thursday, June 13, 2013 – Salvation Army
Thursday, September 12, 2013 – Seeking host agency
Thursday, December 12, 2013 – Seeking host agency*
Please email jguy@salem.com if you are interested in hosting an upcoming meeting!

Networking & Refreshments

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February, 2013

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North Shore Community Development Coalition Hosted December Meeting

The December, 2013 Salem HOPE meeting was hosted by [North Shore Community Development Coalition](#) (NSCDC). Representing the agency was Mickey Northcutt, Kristen Anderson, Luz Garay and Ashley Shaheen. Present were Jane Guy of the City of Salem DPCD, Anne Marie D'Angelo Florent of MassHealth, Charlene Snow of North Shore Career Center, Grant Murphy of the Independent Living Center, Patricia Maynard and Kim Rosenberg of Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries, Janine Lang and Angela Quintin of the Social Security Administration, Jill Bowen and Danielle Lucier of Catholic Charities, Leah Walsh and Kailey MacArthur of North Shore Head Start, Barbara St. Pierre of N.S. Infant & Toddler Program, Linda Richards and Beth Ellen Leaden of N. S. Moving Market, Marilyn Dean of MA Rehab Commission, Elsabel Rincon and Gina Frey of NSCAP, Keisha Kenny-Doyle of Northeast

Behavioral Health, Joanne Scott of the Boys and Girls Club and Gail Divico of Training Resources of America.

Mr. Northcutt welcomed the group and stated that their new community room was a key component to what they wanted to bring to Salem. He stated that the Point Neighborhood Associations meets here, as well as other community groups. He stated that the North Shore CDC began as Salem Harbor CDC thirty years ago, primarily offering affordable housing development. SHCDC merged with an organization in Beverly to create a regional organization. This summer, they offered a youth jobs program to work on neighborhood revitalization efforts in Salem, Beverly and Peabody. NSCDC has approximately 300 units of rental housing, predominantly in lower to moderate income neighborhoods. They recently co-wrote a grant with the City and are working on a neighborhood visioning plan for the Point Neighborhood. The primary goal is to engage Point residents to come out with tangible outcomes that the City, NSCDC and residents can each pursue. In the Fall, they had a voter engagement plan and voter mobilization program, resulting in the highest voter turnout in fifteen years. They all offer free ESL classes taught by volunteer teachers.

Ms. Anderson stated that the NSCDC goal is to develop a visioning action plan for the Point community. There are a number of stakeholders and a series of focus groups. She added they are accepting applications for the affordable housing waiting list. Additionally, the Winter session for ESL starts in January.

Ms. Fey stated that she is the new Director of Adult Education at [NSCAP](#). The weatherization and fuel assistance programs are in full swing. They also offer emergency services for heat or utilities.

Ms. Snow stated that she provides business services for the [North Shore Career Center](#). She will go to companies to assist with their employment needs. They also have employment fairs.

Mr. Murphy stated that the [Independent Living Center of the North Shore and Cape Ann](#) just finished their 2013 Yellow Pages.

Ms. Maynard stated that [Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries](#) (MMGI) is located in Shetland Office Park and they provide services to individuals with disabilities or barriers to employment by assisting them with finding and keeping jobs. They are looking for entry level job opportunities. They also provide packaging and assembly services at their training center.

Ms. Rosenberg stated that MMGI also offers two School to Work programs.

Ms. Dean of [MA Rehabilitation Commission](#) stated that they are also in Shetland. She is a job placement specialist and provides educational training.

Ms. Rincon stated that NSCAP provides adult education programs as well as migrant advocacy.

Ms. Lang introduced herself as the Operation Supervisor at the [Social Security Administration](#).

Ms. Quintin stated that the Social Security Administration has on line capabilities where you can go to "My Social Security" and create you own account to access information and make changes. It is also available in Spanish.

Ms. D'Angelo Florent stated that [MassHealth](#) is the State's health program. She is a member education representative. She noted that there are many changes going into effect on 1/1/14 – with a heavy emphasis on Medicaid fraud and waste.

Ms. Bowen stated that [Catholic Charities](#) offers assistance with past due rents and utilities. Their parent office in Lynn has moved to North Common Street.

Ms. Divico stated that she is the ABE Program Director at [Training Resources of America](#). They offer ESOL and GED classes, distance learning (on line program for GED) and a young parents program for both sexes. All programs are free.

Ms. Garay stated that NSCDC provides resources to tenants and area residents.

Ms. Shaheen stated that she is a fellow at NSCDC. She is working on the administration of the Gloucester Crossing in Beverly survey.

North Shore Community Development Coalition Programs and Services

The North Shore Community Development Coalition provides quality affordable housing and fosters economic empowerment and community development on the North Shore.

- [Quality Housing](#)
- [Community Engagement](#)
 - Youth Get to the Point Day
 - Salem Point Visioning Project
 - The Dream Project
- [Programs](#)
 - Youth Jobs Program
 - Family Stability Program
 - Community English

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Ms. Kenny-Doyle stated that she is from the Salem Outpatient Clinic at [Northeast Behavioral Health](#). They provide various services including school based programs and mental health services.

Ms. Walsh stated that she is a social worker for Pathways for Children at [North Shore Head Start](#). The main building is on Cabot Street in Beverly. They offer classes in Beverly and Peabody, and in Salem starting in January, ages 2 years, 9 months to kindergarten.

Ms. St. Pierre stated that [North Shore Infant and Toddler Program](#) provides services from birth to age three. Anyone can make a referral and they will do an evaluation to see if there is a delay in any area of development. They run toddler groups and parent/child groups. They will do trainings at agencies for staff. They have an Early Intervention Program for pregnant mothers and the children till 1 year old.

Ms. Richards stated that the [North Shore Moving Market](#) is a free food delivery service for the elderly, handicapped or for those who can't get to a food pantry.

Ms. Scott stated that the [Boys and Girls Club](#) has services at their location on Hawthorne Boulevard in Salem, as well as Witchcraft Heights School in Salem and Higgins School in Peabody. They just started a robotics program through Lego Mindstorms. The agency is looking for a new home and will hopefully be in a new facility within the next four years.

Ms. Guy of the [City of Salem Department of Planning & Community Development](#) stated that the public hearing for the FY14 Action Plan process for the Community Development Block Grant is on January 17th.

Go On-line with "my Social Security"

Social Security beneficiaries and SSI recipients with a *my Social Security* account can go online and get an **official benefit verification** letter instantly. The benefit verification letter serves as **proof of income to secure loans, mortgages and other housing, and state or local benefits**. Additionally, people use the letter to prove current Medicare health insurance coverage, retirement or disability status, and age. People can print or save a customized letter. People age 18 and older can sign up for an account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount. Once there, they must be able to provide information about themselves and answers to questions that only they are likely to know. After completing the secure verification process, people can create a *my Social Security* account with a unique user name and password to access their information. <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/espanol/>

Meetings & Events, Etc.

- Thursday, February 28, 2013, 8:30-10:30am – [Customer Service for Government Agencies and Non-Profits](#) – Enterprise Center at Salem State University, 121 Loring Ave.
- Thursday, March 7, 2013, 10:00am – [Abandoned Housing Initiative Receivership Training Seminar](#) – Salem City Hall annex, 120 Washington St., 3rd Floor
- Monday, March 11, 2013, 8:30am-4:30pm - LGBT Elders in an Ever-Changing World, 2nd Annual Conference – Salem State University
- Tuesday, March 19, 2013, 2:00 pm – [Babysitting Certification](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.

- Tuesday, March 19, 2013, 6:30pm – [First Aid Course](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Saturday, March 23, 2013, 2:00pm – [Professional Rescuer CPR](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Saturday, March 23, 2013, 2:00pm – [Adult/child/infant CPR](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Tuesday, April 9, 2013, 6:30pm – [Professional Rescuer CPR](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Tuesday, April 9, 2013, 6:30pm - [Adult/child/infant CPR](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Monday-Friday, April 15-19, 1:00-5:00 – [Lifeguard Certification](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Monday & Friday, April 15 and 19, 1:00-5:00pm – [Lifeguard Recertification](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Sunday, May 5, 2013 – [Walk/run for HAWC](#) – Salem Common
- Tuesday, May 14, 2013, 6:30pm – [Professional Rescuer CPR](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Tuesday, May 14, 2013, 6:30pm - [Adult/child/infant CPR](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Tuesday, June 4, 2013, 2:00 pm – [Babysitting Certification](#) – Salem Y, One Sewall St.
- Thursday, June 13, 2013, 9:00am – Salem HOPE Summer Meeting – Salvation Army
- Thursday, September 12, 2013, 9:00am – Salem HOPE Fall Meeting – Seeking host agency
- Thursday, December 12, 2013, 9:00am – Salem HOPE Winter Meeting – Seeking host agency

Please also check the City of Salem's [Meetings Calendar](#) and [Events Calendar](#), as well as the [Destination, Culture, Activities & Events](#) page. For additional workshops for businesses and non-profits, go to the [Enterprise Center at Salem State University](#).

www.salem.com has [links to social service agencies](#), as well as information on [housing programs](#) and [foreclosure prevention and legal resources](#).

What is Salem H.O.P.E. ?

Salem H.O.P.E. is a networking group of human service agencies that provide programs and services to Salem residents. It is a free forum for agencies to learn about the services being provided by other agencies in order to fill in gaps, coordinate efforts and avoid the duplication of services. All human service agency representatives are welcome to attend the quarterly breakfast meetings held at rotating locations.

We need your announcements, notices and articles for this newsletter. Share your resources; advertise a job opening; seek out agencies to collaborate on a grant application; announce new programs; publicize your events, etc. Please e-mail your submissions or requests to be added to the newsletter e-mail distribution list to jguy@salem.com. Newsletter printed four times per year. However, information that needs to be disseminated in a more timely manner will be forwarded to the listserv upon receipt.

The Salem H.O.P.E. Newsletter is prepared and distributed by Jane Guy of the Department of Planning & Community Development of the City of Salem, Kimberley Driscoll, Mayor.



DON'T MISS OUT!

LGBT Elders in an Ever Changing World

2nd Annual Conference
Monday, March 11th, 2013

8:30 am—4:30 pm

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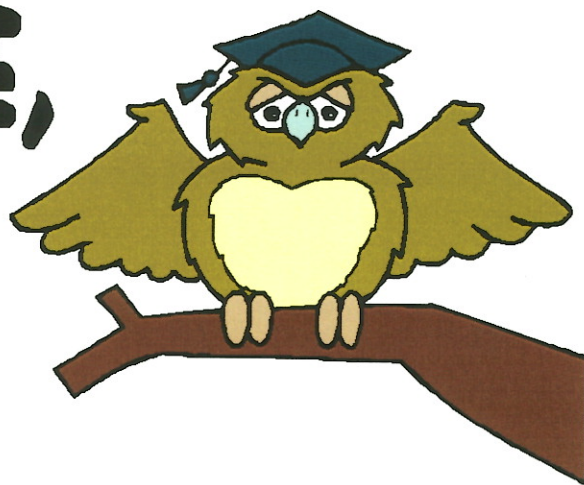


TRA's Young Parents Program is an equal opportunity employer/ program.
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