

MVCCA Health and Human Services Committee's 2007 Agenda (update 12/1/07)
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HHS Committee monthly meetings, open to the public, are generally held the first Tuesday, 7 PM, at Inova Mount Vernon Hospital-Engl Room (2nd floor), with exceptions to this pattern noted in the Committee Meetings schedule of the previous month's MVCCA RECORD.

Monthly reports of the HHS Committee appear in the MVCCA RECORD, published monthly except August, and posted mid-month to the public web site, which also archives issues back to 2004: www.mvcca.org. The RECORD is printed and mailed to officers of the 60+ member associations of the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations and other subscribers, in preparation for participation in the monthly General Council meetings.

2007 HHS Committee Agenda Focus

Jan. 2	<i>Reports on current issues; setting priorities for 2007</i>
Feb. 6	<i>SCAWH's One Penny Fund Report reviewed; recommendations approved</i>
March 3 & 6	<i>Annual review of needs/resources/County FY 2008 planning for H/HS</i>
April 3	<i>Treatable Mental Illness and types of available treatment</i>
May 1	<i>Reports, responses on several ongoing issues</i>
June 6	<i>(Joint EDU) Children and mental health</i>
July 10	<i>(Joint PS) Preparing communities for major emergencies</i>
Sept. 4	<i>Inova Mount Vernon Hospital & Lorton Healthplex update</i>
Oct. 1	<i>Finding services for seniors</i>
Nov. 6	<i>The Healthcare Safety Net and "under-insured" issues</i>
Dec. 3	<i>'Homes First' and county planning to prevent and end homelessness</i>

Note: December meeting scheduled on Monday.

2008 HHS Committee Agenda Focus

Jan. 8	<i>Prevention strategies & the HHS network</i>
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Note: January meeting will be on the second Tuesday.

MVCCA Resolutions in support for h/h services and public policies include:

July 2003	Public Support for Saving Mount Vernon Hospital
Oct. 2006	Restoring State Funds for Child Care Assistance and Referral (CCAR)
March 2007	Health and Human Services Planning for Fiscal 2008

Note: Affordable Housing is a long-standing concern of the HHS Committee (esp. in connection with temporary emergency assistance that includes shelter, homes for those with special needs such as frail elderly and persons with disabilities, and prevention of homelessness for working families). Since fall of 2005, this concern has been shared with and expanded by the work of the Special Committee for Affordable and Workforce Housing (SCAWH). HHS Committee has initiated, or has reviewed and co-sponsored with SCAWH, Resolutions on affordable and workforce housing needs and resources adopted by MVCCA; since 2004, these include support for creating and continuing the Penny Fund, support for the Affordable and Workforce housing definitions adopted by the Council, and support for the Resolution on "North Hill Redevelopment" (approving RHA redevelopment of the 33-acre site with manufactured homes on 11 acres and treed park on 22 acres). (In the May 2007 General Council meeting, the Council approved an amended North Hill resolution, substituted for the one printed for consideration in the May RECORD: therefore, please see the July RECORD for publication of the resolution in its approved form.)