July 9, 2012

Dear friends,

Two years ago, New Orleans and Jefferson Parish, via the UNITY network of homeless service organizations, joined the 100,000 Homes Campaign, a national campaign to house 100,000 of the most vulnerable homeless persons in America by 2014. The 100,000 Homes Campaign is being spearheaded by our national partner Community Solutions/Common Ground Community, with support from the National Alliance to End Homelessness, United Way, the U.S. Conference of Mayors, and many other groups. For more information on the 100,000 Homes Campaign, please visit www.100khomes.org.

New Orleans is one of the leaders of this exciting campaign and has already contributed significantly to the 100,000 goal. On July 23rd-25th UNITY will host a 100,000 Homes Registry Week to conduct Vulnerability Surveys of homeless persons sleeping in emergency shelters and those living on the streets. These surveys help us determine who is most vulnerable (that is, at risk of dying if not housed soon) and should be prioritized first for housing, according to national homeless mortality research. We are inviting some of our important partners to participate in the registry effort on that night by volunteering to administer Vulnerability Surveys.

There are many options for participation listed on the attached form. The street surveys will be administered to homeless people the nights of July 23rd and July 24th. The surveys in the shelters will take place in the evening of July 23rd and July 24th, and the mornings of July 24th and July 25th. Once we receive your registration we will provide you with more detailed information including meeting locations.

We hope it will be possible for you to volunteer, which is so critical to starting the process of housing our most vulnerable neighbors. If you have questions, please contact Emily Danielson at edanielson@unitygno.org or (504) 821-4496 ext 103. Please fill out the attached form and return it by online submission, email, or fax no later than July 16, 2012.

Sincerely,

Martha Kegel
Executive Director
REGISTRY WEEK VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP FORM

Thank you for being part of the process of housing New Orleans’ most vulnerable.

The New Orleans and Jefferson Parish homeless services collaborative is participating in the 100,000 Homes Campaign, a national campaign to provide permanent housing for 100,000 of America’s most vulnerable homeless people by 2014. Thank you for agreeing to participate in UNITY’s 100,000 Homes Registry Week. You are a critical part of this effort to provide housing for our community’s most vulnerable homeless people.

This form can be submitted online. Please visit http://unitygno.wufoo.com/forms/unity-2012-registry-week-volunteer-signup-form/.

Name: __________________________________________
Organizatio: ______________________________________
Email: __________________________________________
Cell phone: _______________________________________
Mailing address: __________________________________

Based on your interest and availability, please select one or more of the following volunteer sessions. Orientation and training sessions are conducted the first hour of each session and are mandatory. You must commit for the entire time period listed. Once you are registered we will provide further information including meeting locations.

- **Monday, July 23rd 5:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.** Conduct surveys in homeless shelters
- **Monday, July 23rd 8:30 p.m.- 2:00 a.m.** Conduct surveys on the street
- **Tuesday, July 24th 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** Conduct surveys at a homeless day shelter
- **Tuesday, July 24th 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.** Conduct surveys at a homeless shelter (must also sign up for Monday, July 23rd 5:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. session)
- **Tuesday, July 24th 8:30 p.m.- 2:00 a.m.** Conduct surveys on the street
- **Wednesday, July 25th 7:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.** Conduct surveys at a homeless day shelter (must also sign up for a previous survey session)
- **Wednesday, July 25th 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.** Conduct surveys at a homeless day shelter
- Support/Logistics assistance Dates, times, and tasks vary, no orientation and training required

Please return this form by **July 16th** to Emily Danielson, Director of Research and Communications: edanielson@unitygno.org; fax (504) 821-4704; phone (504) 821-4496 x103.