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Dear Community Partner,

“Connecting Resources for Community Recovery” is the theme – and the objective – of TPCH’s 2010 annual “how-to” conference for helping homeless people. The conference will be held on Friday, October 1st at the Holiday Inn Palo Verde. The keynote speaker will be Sharon Price, Deputy Director of the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness.

The conference strives to help staff and volunteers improve their knowledge and skills for working effectively with homeless people. To further that aim, the conference will again include a Resource Fair where attendees can learn more about local homeless resources and how to make referrals. We hope you will be part of the Resource Fair. Nearly 200 direct-service staff and volunteers will attend this conference. This is a great opportunity to ensure they have accurate information about your homeless programs.

Each agency is welcome to have one table representative attend conference sessions without charge. Your table representative should sit at your table from 8:00 am – 9:00 am, and again from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm to answer questions. The rest of the time this person is welcome to attend conference sessions, although we do ask that your representative pay for the conference lunch (\$20) if planning to participate in the luncheon. Each table will accommodate two agencies or organizations.

We recommend that Resource Fair participants provide:

- A display drawing people to your table.
- Brochures or fliers that describe your programs for homeless or near-homeless people.
- Information about client eligibility and how to make referrals to your agency’s programs.
- Business cards with contact information.
- Other small tokens such as pens or refrigerator magnets
- Any other helpful community resources (directed towards serving all homeless populations) you wish to share with the conference attendees.

Please send an email to Settle Madden at settle.madden@gmail.com by **August 20, 2010** to let us know if you will participate in the Resource Fair. Please include an agency contact person.

Soon we will be sending out more information about the conference and how to register. We hope that your agency/organization will be able to send several people to this conference and take advantage of this excellent, low-cost professional development opportunity. Please feel free to contact us if you would like more information about the conference.

Sincerely,

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