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**To:** TJPD Commissioners  
**From:** Billie Campbell  
**Date:** January 29, 2009  
**Re:** TJACH Board Appointments

**Purpose:** To provide information for the appointment of four additional members to complete the initial Board of Directors for the Thomas Jefferson Area Coalition for the Homeless (TJACH).

**Background:** TJACH is moving forward as the lead organization on homelessness. The board has held three meetings: October 29, November 26, and January 21. The Board is planning a ½ day planning session, scheduled for February 18.

**Issues:** TJACH, as it formerly existed as a coalition, has now become the Service Providers Council in the larger TJACH organization. At its January 21 meeting, the TJACH Board voted to pursue merger with the First Street Church Project. In a letter to the building's owner Tom Shadyac, the Board stated: "The TJACH Board felt strongly that its mission dovetails with the First Street Church Project's vision. As a central resource, the First Street Church Project building will facilitate inter-agency collaboration. The Board felt that it made sense to combine the two organizations to realize economies of scale in leadership and staffing, to demonstrate the community's commitment to end homelessness, and to model the power of partnership and collaboration."

**Recommendations:** TJACH requests formal appointment of four additional Board members: Donna Baker of the AIDS/HIV Services Group and Adriana Nicholson of PACEM, the newly elected Chair and Vice Chair of the TJACH Service Providers Council, and Janet Matthews (representing building owner Tom Shadyac) and Tommy Everett of the FSCP Steering Committee. Current Board members are: Ed Bain – Chair, Mark Lorenzoni – Vice Chair, Kate Rosenfield – Secretary, Jim Miller – Treasurer, Trish Cluff – at-large member of the Executive Committee, Karen Shepard, Robert Johnson, Evan Scully, Adam Thompson, Marty Fox, and Ray Klein.

**Action Needed:** Appointment of four additional members to complete the initial TJACH Board.

**Effective Date:** Terms for the appointed members will begin immediately upon appointment.