To: All NACH Agency Members

From: Olly Orton, NACH Board President

Re: HMIS Support Services

Date: Dec. 20, 2012

Dear Agency Members:

Thank you for all your organization does for the Homeless Population in our city. As some of you may be aware of NACH became the HMIS Administrators in 2009. We received the HMIS Administration Grant for HMIS Support Services of HUD Programs as a transfer grant. This grant is awarded primarily awarded for support services of the HUD funded Supportive Housing Programs in our Continuum. However we believe that the more users that are imputing data the more information that the system can provide which improves the quality of our data collection as a continuum. Therefore we have encouraged HMIS Data Collection from all of our Agency Members and have provided support services for those agencies without any additional cost or any additional funding from HUD in most cases. As many of you know HMIS is now being required by more Federal Programs. As the Administrators it is our responsibility to ensure that the expenses associated with Data Collection is distributed throughout all required programs. Therefore if you have received a grant that requires Data Collection a separate HMIS Support Services Fee will be assessed for that program. The amount of the Fee will be 5% of the amount of the award. We encourage each of the agencies to include the expense for Data Collection in your Budgets when you apply for grants that require Data Collection. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further please feel free to contact Lineise Arnold at 256-551-1610 Ext 223. Once again thank you for all the hard work that you do and for helping make the North Alabama Coalition for the Homeless Continuum of Care a success.

Sincerely,

Olly Orton, President of the NACH Board of Directors.