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TO: Debbie White, Chair of Assembly Taskforce on Homelessness

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RE: JCHH Principles and Strategies

Attached are Principles and Strategies and preliminary proposals from the Juneau Coalition on Housing and Homelessness. The proposals are NOT in priority order. A few brief notes:

- 1. Scattered Site Housing: \$175K/Year. Higher functioning individuals who could benefit from the Housing First model could be successful in scattered site housing; use of this model is an increasingly nationwide trend. While a scattered site housing program would not necessarily replace the potential need for Phase II of Housing First, the required programmatic support is significantly less expensive than new facility construction. Scattered Site Housing is appropriate for many unsheltered (but not all) individuals.
- **2. ACT Team:** \$215K/Year. A beefed up Mobile Support Team (as envisioned above in Scattered Site program) is a different approach.
- **3. Homeless Coordinator:** Applied for by Scott Ciambor.
- **4. Warming Center:** \$75K/Year. Two issues:
 - **a. Where:** Best locations are the Salvation Army, or the DTC bus waiting area. Salvation Army has new management, an arrangement to use the facility has not been worked out.
 - b. Volunteers: I do not believe this will be successful if we implement a warming center and try to rely on volunteer staffing. The need is weather dependent and hard to plan around. The clientele are people who are unable to use other social services or housing programs and therefore need staff with more training and expertise, not less, hence the cost, which is based on 100 staffed nights.