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For the past 9 months, Dignity Village has been located at the city-owned Sunderland leaf composting yard. Despite some severe drawbacks to this location (e.g. the site's remoteness, distance from basic services, and being next to a prison), there have been many upsides and successes for the village during this period. This report is to update on the current status of the village, and to acknowledge and celebrate its successes while at Sunderland.

I. Brief History

Dignity's 17 month history is a rich tapestry of social struggle, innovation, and solid achievement. From its roots in civil disobedience, the village has steadily evolved to become a self-governed 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with its own by-laws, annual budget, Village Council and officers, Site Selection Committee, Construction Crew, Security Team, and Outreach Team.

A) Roots in Civil Disobedience:

On December 16, 2000, Dignity Village was birthed in a crucible of human need, dire necessity and civil disobedience -- in the spirit of King, Gandhi, the First Amendment and the Bill of Rights. The initial goal was to shed light on the current situation facing thousands of poor people living in the streets of Portland. There are an estimated 3500 homeless in Portland. Yet there are only somewhere between 400 and 700 shelter beds in town, depending on the time of year it is. This means that on any given night -- even if all the shelter beds are full -- there are roughly 3000 people living in fear on the streets of our fair city. All too often, living on the streets means being criminalized by police and/or victimized by street thugs. Increasingly, women and families with children are among those living on the streets.



Dignity Village was founded to draw public attention to the plight of Portland's homeless residents. During this early period, relations with the City were frequently strained and

confrontational, with the Village living from one deadline to the next under threats of police sweeps. Undaunted, the village turned each move into an occasion for a famous (or infamous, depending on one's perspective) "Shopping Cart Parade" through downtown, drawing even more media attention and public support.

- B) Turning point - July 2001: Dignity's last location during this period was at 17th and NW Savier, under the Fremont Bridge in NW Portland, on a site owned by ODOT.



This is where the village remained in relative peace for almost 6 months. Prompted by an anonymous complaint, the village finally received a firm deadline from ODOT and the city to disband by July 1. This inspired the village to organize a public teach-in, where it unveiled a 40-page proposal to the city, entitled *Dignity Village: 2001 and Beyond*. The proposal was a well-written planning document, complete with architectural renderings, announcing intentions to create a permanent "green" sustainable urban village on a 5-acre parcel of vacant public land in the downtown core (known by homeless people as the "field of dreams"). ODOT and the city decided to grant another 2-month extension at the Savier site, and entered into serious negotiations to explore the possibility of Dignity becoming a one year pilot project.

- C) 60-day Sunderland Offer Accepted: On August 28, near the end of the 2 month extension at NW Savier, the city offered to allow Dignity Village to relocate to the city-owned Sunderland leaf-composting yard near the Portland airport, 7 miles from the downtown core. But this offer was *only for 60 days again*, due to the city needing the space for composting leaves by November 1. The village was very reluctant to accept this offer, due mainly to Sunderland's distance from downtown and many basic services, and because it was next door to a prison. On balance, however, the village decided to accept the 60-day offer, while continuing efforts to locate a longer-term site.
- D) 8-Month Extension at Sunderland: By late October, the village had plans underway to lease a privately owned site available in the Creston-Kenilworth neighborhood (in inner-southeast Portland) to make way for leaf composting at Sunderland in early November. However, fierce opposition by Creston-Kenilworth neighbors soured city support for the move, and led to an offer from Larson Legacy Foundation to pay the city \$20,000 rent (to off-set costs associated

with dealing with the leaves) for the village to stay put at Sunderland for another 8 months. This 8-month period expires on July 1, 2002.

II. Dignity's Friends, Partners & Support Base

In addition to others specifically noted above, the following organizations and individuals all play an important role in the ongoing success of Dignity Village. Apologies to anyone who may have been inadvertently omitted, as the Village receives so much diverse and varied support from so many in the community that it is a challenge to keep track of everyone. Sincere thanks to everyone (mentioned or not) for their important contributions of skills, funding, prayers, and in-kind assistance.

- Sisters Of The Road Cafe, Inc.
- Legal Aid of Oregon
- Larson Legacy Foundation
- Tim Merrill, Architect
- JOIN-A Center for Involvement
- Stumptown Coffee Roasters
- Oregon Food Bank
- *street roots, inc.*
- Rebuilding Center
- City of Portland
- Jobs with Justice
- First United Methodist Church
- War Tax Resisters League
- First Unitarian Church of Portland
- Radical Cheerleaders
- Environmental Middle School
- Kwamba Productions Inc.
- Interstate Alliance to End Displacement
- Ball Janik Law Firm
- Oregon Law Center
- City Repair Project
- Don and Chrissy Washburn
- William Temple House
- Friendly House
- Northwest Waste Management
- Sustainable Communities NW
- Portland Nursery
- Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
- Rose City Awning Co.
- Oregon Sustainable Agricultural Land Trust (OSALT)
- OSPIRG
- Northwest Medical Teams
- Washington State University
- Lee and Kathy Larson
- Rear Guard (PSU)
- Crossroads Organizing Project

III. The Sunderland Experience: Accomplishments A - Z

Despite the site's drawbacks, Dignity's tenure at Sunderland has provided the stability needed to accomplish many shorter-term objectives and lay a solid foundation for reaching it's longer-term goals. Some of these accomplishments include:

- A) Physical environment: In partnership with City Repair Project, the village designed and built the beginnings of a physical village environment using recycled building materials that can be transferred to a new site.

- B) Internal Tracking: The village established improved internal systems for tracking the good work we are doing, including keeping regular records of donations, minutes of council meetings, etc.
- C) Site Selection Committee: Dignity formed its own Site Selection Committee with land use professionals, attorneys, neighborhood representatives, a private realtor, faith community representatives, and village residents (see attached list of committee members),
- D) Accessing Dental Care: While at Sunderland, the Northwest Medical Teams brought their mobile van to the site and donated free dental care for villagers.



- E) Operating Budget: Dignity developing its first 12-month operating budget for FY 2001/02. Dignity's operating expenses average around \$3500 per month. (see attached).
- F) Status Reports to City: The village has submitted regular status reports to the City of Portland (copies of completed reports are attached).
- G) Incorporation with State of Oregon: We filed our articles of incorporation with the State of Oregon on October 22, 2001.
- H) Election of officers: The village's first formal elections were held on December 12, 2001 for Village Council members and Officers (a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Sargent-at-arms, and Security Coordinator) for one year terms.

I) Application for 501(c)(3) status filed with/approved by IRS: We filed our application in December of 2001 for 501(c)3 status with the IRS and obtained our own Federal Tax ID number. We received our Letter of Determination confirming Dignity's 501(c)(3) tax exempt status in February of 2002.

J) Washington State University Partnership: In March of 2002, Washington State University (in Van. WA) hosted a Technology Fair where Dignity residents learned many new computer and grant writing skills (Photos below are from the Technology Fair). Several faculty from WSU continue to be involved in village technology-related and grant writing activities.



K) OSPIRG Art Auction Benefit for Dignity: On February 26th, OSPIRG at PSU sponsored a benefit art auction called "Where Hope Resides" to raise funds for Dignity Village's Land Acquisition Fund. Art by Frank DiMarco, Alex Lily, Basil Childers, Edis Jurcy and other artists was featured. The event generated over \$1,100 for the land fund. (see attached flyer for the OSPIRG/Dignity event for more details)

L) Non-violence training: Village Security crew members and other interested villagers received several 4-hour training sessions in the principles and practice of non-violence by Gunny Nelson (Sisters Of The Road Cafe, In).

M) Domestic violence prevention: A group of 6 survivors of domestic violence attended a general membership meeting and presented information about the issue, which led to a lively

and positive discussion about how to identify early warning signs and defuse incidents before they erupt into violence. They also established a liaison with the village for purposes of follow-up support as needed.

- N) Weekly Village Council Meetings: The Village Council meets every Weds. at 6:30pm at the village in their own council chambers around a circular table painted with a large heart Chakra. The Council is responsible for addressing the legal and financial affairs of the village. Meetings are open to the public. Visitors are always welcome.
- O) Monthly Village Membership Meetings: The contracted members of the village meet on the first Thursday of each month at the Village Commons, otherwise known as the Witch's Hat. Membership meetings are for the election of new council members, coordinating the logistics of village life and other such business as comes up at the meetings. All meetings are open to the public, and visitors are welcome.
- P) Neighborhood/community Outreach: While at Sunderland, Dignity's Neighborhood Outreach Team has met with a wide range of neighborhood groups around the city, boards and other groups to discuss the long-range vision and provide informational materials, videos, etc. to better acquaint neighborhood leaders with Dignity Village. Neighborhoods that have met with Dignity's outreach team include Kerns, Downtown Community Association, Northeast Neighborhood Coalition, Creston-Kenilworth, Corbett-Terwilliger-Lair Hill, Overlook, Eliot, Kenton, Humboldt, and Portsmouth. Dignity's Outreach Team has also made presentations at Earth Day 2002, at Natural Building Convergence 2002, and at the Environmental Middle School.
- Q) Kows for Kids: Dignity donated \$500 to sponsor a "Kow For Kids" with Donald and Chrissy Washburn called the "Stumping Ground Know" with the proceeds going to New Avenues for Youth and the Trillium Group. The Dignity Kow is located in the plaza of the Natural History Museum.



- R) Environmental Middle School: Early this Spring, Dignity planted gardens in raised beds with

the help of Environmental Middle School. The seeds were started in our earth-friendly Greenhouse using all recycled materials. The Village also has 75 fruit trees from Earth Day, which have been put in planter boxes until we get to perma-site, where they will become Dignity Village Orchard. To quote one villager, "The kids were brilliant! Here were these seventh graders phoning up and arranging lumber and topsoil deliveries!" Dignity intends to share the vogue box harvest with EMS students and faculty. The village also gets red worms from the school which we use in our composting efforts. [please see attached letters from Tom Arend (EMS Instructor), and Laura Van Hine (EMS student)].

- S) Rex Putnam High School senior Political Science class came out to tour Dignity Village recently. Village leaders took these initially skeptical students around on a tour of the facility. One of the students was in a wheelchair but the lift to the bus wasn't operational so villagers helped that student onto the bus. The students watched an informational video on the Village produced by Kwamba Productions. The class's teacher reported back that all but two of his thirty or so students came away with a positive impression. The class's teacher, Tom Arena, who'd been skeptical at first, said came away from the visit "turned around with a 180% change of perception." (please see Tom Arend's letter of support in attachments)
- T) Maintaining Full Occupancy/waiting list: Dignity has maintained full occupancy of 60 contracted (or soon to be contracted) members during its entire tenure at Sunderland. The village maintains an ongoing waiting list of somewhere between 15-20 people who are seeking admittance.
- U) 80 people moved into housing from Sunderland: During the 9 months at Sunderland alone, approximately 80 people moved directly from the Village into conventional housing, due to becoming stabilized and/or finding employment. This averages nearly 10 people per month being housed. (Note: over 150 have moved into housing since the beginning of the village.)
- V) Larson Legacy Foundation & Family Support: A local family-run foundation called Larson Legacy continues its support of the village in many ways, not the least of which is the many hours that Lee, Kathy and Amy (Lee and Kathy's daughter) spend at the village, designing and distributing Dignity Christmas calendars, underwriting and designing the Dignity Village T-shirts, chronicling the village development with professional photography and donating a full-size recycled city bus to serve as a recreation and educational center for the village.
- W) Wind Power: We are working on setting up an experimental windmill with a 30' steel tower donated to the village. Plans are to use the wind turbine to generate enough electricity for our common area so that we can have lights and power to run a coffee pot for our morning coffee.
- X) DigsVille Farm: The village's DigsVille Farm is in its second year of operation. This year it is located on 3/4 acres of land at a supporter's farm near Hagg Lake, 40 miles West of

Portland. The crop includes beans, tomatoes, squash, sweet peas, corn, herbs, melons, potatoes, artichokes, carrots and lettuce. New additions at the farm this year are quail, chickens, ducks, turkeys and 2 pheasants.



- Y) Maintaining good police relations: While at Sunderland, the village leaders have met twice with NE Commander Foxworth to establish and maintain open channels of communication with the NE Precinct of the Portland Police Bureau. This relationship has served to address small issues that arise in a proactive and positive manner. Village Lt. George Babnick functions as NE Precinct’s official liaison to the village.
- Z) Maintaining good neighbor relations: Although neighbors are few and far between at Sunderland (3 residences and one prison), the village’s Security Team and Trash and Sanitation Team both regularly patrol the area surrounding the village to insure safety at the perimeter and make sure that all trash is cleaned up in the surrounding area. The prison Warden has visited the village for meetings and celebrations to get acquainted and exchange information. One neighbor in particular has expressed sadness that the village will be moving soon.

IV. Vision, Values & Mission

Dignity Village’s long-range vision statement was presented to the City of Portland nearly a year ago in its proposal Dignity 2001 & Beyond, which is still reasonably current (and is readily available to download from Dignity’s website at <www.dignityvillage.org>). In brief, the villagers envision creating a “green” sustainable urban village to serve as an innovative community-based self-help model for addressing both homelessness and sustainability issues.

The village seeks both to serve their homeless brothers and sisters who are still on the street, and to give something of lasting value back to the larger community. In addition to this vision statement, the village has a long-standing mission statement and has more recently identified its core values as a community.

A) Core Values Identified:

Dignity residents were recently interviewed to identify the core values of residents. Some of the most commonly held values identified through the interviews included:

- mutual aid and assistance
- respect, love and dignity
- community, sense of family
- self-governance / democracy
- opportunity to stabilize / save money
- basic needs being met
- safety of person and property, not hassled by police, avoiding drugs/alcohol.

B) Mission statement:

The following mission statement appears on every Admittance Agreement/Contract and is read at the beginning of each village meeting:

“We seek to create a green sustainable urban village for those who are seeking shelter but are unable to find it. We feel it necessary to establish a community-based living facility where people living on the streets can have their basic needs met in a stable, sanitary environment, free of violence, drugs and alcohol, until they are able to access housing.”

C) Strategic Planning Scheduled:

The Village plans to review and update its vision statement and to develop a detailed strategic plan within the next 1-2 months.

V. Infrastructure & Operational Requirements

Dignity Village now occupies about 37,000 square feet of land at the City of Portland’s composing facility on Sunderland Ave. off NE 33rd (between Marine Dr. and Columbia Blvd.) Following is a summary of the current operational requirements for the village.

A. Population: There are 60 “members” or contracted residents, plus temporary 5-8 guests and visitors, all occupying about 50 tents and/or temporary structures.

B. Trash and sanitation system: 4 port-a-letts and a dumpster. As soon as practicable, Dignity plans to discontinue the use of port-a-letts and instead install composting toilets.

- C. Common spaces: A 1000 s.f. covered wood/propane-heated commons area (meeting space and Village Council meeting chambers) was built with sweat-equity and technical assistance from City Repair Project using recycled and/or donated materials. The facility is fully equipped with tables, chairs, message boards, etc.
- D. Offices/phones: The village is using a large single-wide trailer as an office, computer/phone and message center facility. The trailer is on loan from the City Transportation Bureau.
- E. Recreational/educational center: A large bus (comparable to a full-size TriMet bus) was donated by Larson Legacy to the village, and is used for smaller meetings, educational and recreational videos.
- F. Common showers: A portable propane-fired shower facility has been constructed on-site with two shower stalls. This was constructed by villagers, with technical assistance, volunteers and materials provided by Anthony Ross Engineering Co.
- G. Energy sources: The village is seeking to become as self-sufficient as possible, energy-wise. Although its showers and most cooking is with propane, the village structures optimize passive solar panels and is also currently constructing a wind turbine with a donated tower, for providing lighting to common areas.

VI. Urban Design and Architectural Features

With guidance and technical assistance of the City Repair Project, the residents of Dignity Village have built their own common spaces, shower facility, meeting and recreational rooms, covered workspaces, as well as various temporary personal structures in order to better shelter the tents (and their inhabitants) from the elements. The structures are necessity-driven and 90% built with recycled materials from the ReBuilding Center.

The May issue of *Architecture* magazine (an international trade journal) features a major article on the village by Randy Gragg, a Portland architectural writer. The article states, “In it’s ‘perma-site’ configuration, Dignity Village could potentially be a working model for a new type of truly sustainable, high density and mixed use, organically developing urban village model. If developed according to Dignity Villages wishes, the village would enhance Portland’s reputation as being the most green city in America. ... Dignity Village hopes to become a demonstration site for solar and wind power, permaculture, environmental restoration, stormwater and greywater reuse and innovative use of recycled materials and alternative building techniques for construction.” (a copy of the complete article with photos is attached).

VII. Tent Cities in Other Areas: Networking for Innovation

While at Sunderland, Village leaders have been contacted by other “tent cities” of homeless people in other urban centers, primarily on the West Coast. So far, Dignity representatives have established contact with encampments of formerly homeless people in Santa Cruz, Isle Vista (CA), Seattle and Toronto (Canada).

About 15 representatives from Dignity Village recently attended a Homeless Summit of representatives from these various groups, which village leadership helped to organize. On May 2-4, the Summit took place in Santa Cruz and there were representatives from all the locations noted above except Toronto.

At this gathering, Dignity Village had the honor of being recognized as the most advanced in terms of self-governance and being incorporated as their own 501(c)(3) organization. On the other hand, there were some other groups that excelled in other areas. For example, Camp Paradise in Santa Cruz has organized a group called the Santa Cruz Service Corps, that arranges for paid work for crews and/or job referrals related to landscape, maintenance, construction, mechanics, secretarial and other fields. Much reciprocal learning and cross-pollenization took place at the Summit for all concerned.

On a related front, Dignity leaders are also in regular contact with homeless advocates in Berkeley (CA) and Olympia (WA) who are seeking to establish “Dignity-like” demonstration projects there as well.

VIII. People of Dignity: Their Personal Stories

Over 150 formerly homeless people have stabilized their lives at Dignity Village and moved directly into conventional housing. Others, once stabilized, have chosen to remain at the village to become part of the core leadership team needed to maintain and run the village. Following are personal stories of several Dignity “graduates”, and one core leader.

Cathy Welch (graduate):

Last December 1st, I, along with three other families living in the building, were evicted from our four-plex. The corporation that had owned four of these 4-plex apartments, had sold all but ours, and the plan was to turn our building into a day care.

At the time of the notice of eviction, I was in the hospital and didn't even have 30 days to arrange housing, nor did I have the means to look. Due to my injury, I was bed ridden for the

remainder of 30 days. I don't know what I would have done with out the village. Besides having enough furniture for a 2-bedroom apartment, I also had two cats, one of which I had for 14 years. I had no living family for support, financially, emotionally, or physically My options were nil.

I truly do not know, nor can I imagine what would have happened if Dignity had not been there for me. The name, "Dignity" says it all. I lived at the village with all the ups and downs of any village, with living quarters so close, for three months. Gradually, I was healthy enough to secure employment as well as find a wonderful home for my animals as well as my belongings By the middle of the fourth month, of residency at the Village, I found a more suitable place to live.

I can only tell you that with out the village being there for me, my stint as a "homeless person" was shorter than it would have been, as well as giving me a safe environment to recuperate from my injury with dignity. Perhaps you can find it in your budget as well as your hearts, to give the Village a deserved place in our community. I would encourage you to reassess the place that Dignity Village could and does play in future plans, as our community leaders continue to look for suitable solutions to our growing homeless population. We as a city have always been on the cutting edge with new ideas and solution to urban growth. We have an opportunity again, to be an example to other cities in the solution of homelessness.

Val and Mike Hickey (graduates)

In July of 2000 we found ourselves homeless and on the streets of Portland Oregon. We had just gotten evicted from our apartment and things were looking very bad for us. We slept under some trees along the highway for a couple of nights in the rain and without any shelter. We had heard about Dignity village in the news so we decided to look for the homeless camp in hopes of having a safe place to sleep where we wouldn't have to worry about being arrested for sleeping out in the public's view or having someone steal the last of our belongings. We had very little left but what we had was important to us and we didn't want to lose any more. We found Dignity Village and asked if they had any room for us to set up our tent and at that time they were full, but we were told that they would see what could be done.

The next morning we were awakened by the Portland police posting a 24-hour eviction notice. I was beside myself. Two evictions in one week! What were we to do? We then approached Ibrahim again and explained or situation and he made room for us. Ibrahim walked us through the village introducing us to the villagers and we were then invited by Chocolate (a villager and the village cook) to have dinner. They made us feel welcomed.

As time went on we became apart of the village attending the village meetings and doing security and secretarial work for the village. We were now members of this wonderful family. Our voices were heard and people seemed to care, this was something that we didn't find anywhere else in all of Portland.

The village grew a lot since we first came to it. They showed us that there can be hope and love

if we just gave life the chance. The people of Dignity pulled together and got the site on Sunderland yard, which at first we all felt was inappropriate for human habitation. But as time went on, we learned how to make the best of what we had, and we all worked together and turned that slab of blacktop into a home for 60 people. I am proud to be a part of that.

With the help of the supporters of Dignity village as well as the donations from other people who cared about the homeless we were able to build showers and a community center for us to hold our meetings and get together in and all of us greatly appreciate the love from each of those people. We were given a gift that we can never repay on Christmas of 2001, a church group brought the village members Christmas gifts and made our Christmas a true holiday to remember, we were given bus fare home to Michigan so Mike could see the family he hasn't seen in over 8 years. I am now working a full time job and we "own" our mobile home and are planning on being married on July 11th, 2002. Thank you everyone, I can't say it enough but without Dignity Village and the supporters we would never have had the chance to accomplish what we have. I will never forget any of it, I will always consider Dignity village and the people of Dignity as part of our family even if we are 2800 miles away now. Thank you all, we love you.

Keith and Donnetta Marcott (soon-to-be Graduates):

My name is Keith. My wife and I came to Dignity last October. We found the village through a friend. We needed a safe refuge for us and our dog Sasha, as well as our personal belongings. Here, finally, we found it. The benefits were extreme. I got to keep my wife, my very beloved pet, and my belongings all together. My heart screamed, "Eureka!".

My only regret has been the lack of employment to be found in Portland. When our little truck blew its motor, I thought all was lost. Thanks to this place we call home though, we are all still together. And, thanks to TriMet, we were able to get around and take care of business, thanks to TriMet's mostly friendly and helpful drivers.

Now it is the end of May, and by mid-June we will have a nice apartment. I feel that, if not for Dignity Village, this accomplishment would have taken us longer at a greater expense to our well being. I'm not saying that being here hasn't had any downsides. It has. But, nowhere near the downsides experienced on the streets by myself and others. since October we haven't been homeless, only houseless.

Thanks to Dignity Village, we now have a house and a rather larger family. Thank you Dignity Village. Much love and God bless Dignity Village. May you live forever.

Tim McCarthy (core leader):

My name is Tim, and I have lived in Portland for the past 13 years. I worked as a manager for a convenience store until I became ill and could no longer work. I became homeless on June 21, 2001. When I was evicted from my trailer, I moved to a field with my 3 nephews and my dogs. I stayed there until I could get my nephews into safe places. Then I moved to Johnson Lake Park .

I was there for six months when the Portland Police came and gave me a 24 hour eviction notice. When I asked where else I could go to set up camp they [the police] told me I had to go to Dignity Village, and that if I didn't, they would take everything that I owned. So Shawn (a friend who was also homeless) and I came and talked to the people at the village. It took us two weeks to get in, because the village was full at the time.

After being in the village I became involved in the day to day running of the village. I became interested in the Neighborhood Outreach after reading *Dignity Village: 2001 and Beyond* . Since that time I have been talking about Dignity Village with school groups and Neighborhood Associations. I also serve on Dignity village's Security Team as well as on the Tent's and Population Committee.

IX. Conclusion

The Village's stay at Sunderland has been both challenging and rewarding: challenging in terms of harsh weather conditions and distance from basic services, yet rewarding in terms of meeting these challenges creatively and effectively, and providing an important period of stability and internal development.

Dignity wishes to thank the City of Portland for its role in providing the site, and for the generous assistance of the staff of Commissioner Eric Sten's and Mayor Vera Katz's offices. A special thanks also to the Transportation and Maintenance Bureau for helping to make the best of the village's time at Sunderland. Hopefully, in the months and years to come, the Village and the City will continue this mutually supportive relationship for the benefit of the city's homeless residents and the community at large.

Attachments:

- 1) Budget for fiscal year 2001-2002
- 2) Letter from Tom Arend, Instructor at Rex Putnam High School.
- 3) List of Site Selection Committee members
- 4) IRS letter of determination for 501(c)(3) status
- 5) Article on Dignity Village entitled *Guerrilla City* from Architecture Magazine
- 6) Letter (to the Oregonian) by Laura Van Hine, Student at Environmental Middle School
- 7) Article on Dignity Village in Spring, 2002 Yes! Magazine, entitled *A Place for Dignity*
- 8) Copies of all status reports filed with the City of Portland