

### Washington County One Homeless Services System A vision for renewed governance



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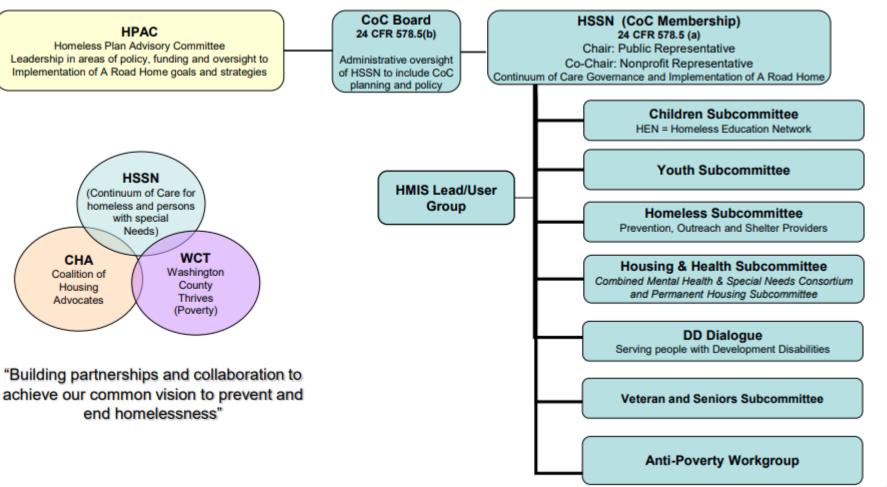
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# Agenda: One Governance Transition

- Current governance structure
- Values, goals and requirements for governance
- Feedback on goals and considerations to guide process
- Next steps in the transition process

## Historic governance structure



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What we've heard:

Its hard to understand how and where decisions are made

It's challenging to provide guidance on a system plan, when we have separate plans for SHS programs and CoC funded programs

There are too many meetings with a lot of the same program updates

Its hard to understand how the system is working together and what we are prioritizing in Washington County





## Expectations of Homeless Governance

Requirement	HUD – CoC	Metro – SHS	Washington County
Draft and Oversee System Plan	Yes (A Road Home)	Yes (LIP)	Yes
Equity Diversity and Inclusion	Yes	Yes	Yes
Coordinate with Other Systems and Funding	Yes (ex: ESG, EFSP, and many more)	Yes	Yes
Convene Stakeholders Community, People with lived experience	Yes (HSSN)	Yes	Yes
Ensure Client Civil Rights	Yes	Yes	Yes
Review/Approve Reports	Yes (PIT, HIC, SPM, LSA)	Yes (Annual Work Plan Quarterly Reports)	Yes

# Draft Goals for One Governance

**Meaningful engagement** of our community and stakeholders to guide priorities, policy and program improvements

Accessible participation that build upon current success, expands involvement, and provides clarity in decision making processes.

**Unified governance** consistent with Washington County, HUD, and Metro requirements for oversight and advisement

# Draft Process for One Governance

Phase 1: Inquire	<ul> <li>Convene project steering committee</li> <li>Stakeholder discussions</li> <li>Community survey</li> <li>Research best practices</li> </ul>
Phase 2: One Plan	<ul> <li>Identify new system challenges, needs, goals</li> <li>Combine plans: Local Implementation Plan and A Road Home</li> <li>Review with bodies, finalize and approve with Board</li> </ul>
Phase 3: Proposal	<ul> <li>Draft proposed governance structure</li> <li>Feedback with current bodies bodies</li> <li>Review for accountability requirements</li> <li>Convene community and stakeholder feedback</li> </ul>
Phase 4: Finalize & Approve	<ul> <li>Governance proposal finalized with current bodies</li> <li>Board of County Commissioners reviews, approves</li> <li>Membership recruitment and appointments</li> <li>Body convenes</li> </ul>



### **Breakout questions:**

- What does good governance feel like?
- What other values should guide this work?
- What does "one homelessness services system" mean for Washington County?

# Next steps: One Governance

### **Convene Steering Committee**

Membership:

- 2-3 hours per month | irregular meetings | 1 year commitment
- Seeking 4-5 members from each current governance body (12-15 total) Role:
  - Review materials
  - Provide feedback
  - Act as ambassadors for the project

Phase 1: To Do's

- Advise on early outreach plan
- Review community survey and discussion questions
- Represent project process to committee committees