

WASHINGTON COUNTY

OREGON

HOUSING and SUPPORTIVE SERVICE NETWORK

Providing a Continuum of Care for Vulnerable Populations in Washington County
Wednesday, June 6, 2018
8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

>>> The Beaverton Building at "The Beaverton Round", Third Floor Training Room <<< 12725 SW Millikan Way, Beaverton, OR 97005-1641

AGENDA

- I. INTRODUCTIONS: 8:30 a.m.
- II. GUEST SPEAKERS: 8:35 a.m.
 - Tami Cockeram and Lukas Heaton, City of Hillsboro "Mapping Resources in Washington County – StreetRoots"
 - Kathryn Carnell, Boys & Girls Aid "Foster Care Program"
- III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: 9:10 a.m. Action Item
- IV. GENERAL BUSINESS: 9:15 a.m.
 - Election of HSSN Workgroup (CoC Board) positions through 6/2022 Action Item

| Positions (HSSN Workgroup) | Slate of Nominees |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Federal Programs: ESG/CDBG/HOME | Matthew Mattia, Office of Community |
| | Development |
| Victims of Domestic Violence | Toni Loch, Family Justice Center |
| Developmental Disabilities | Gordon Teifel, DEAR/FIL |
| Citizen At-Large or Outreach | Ellen Johnson, Oregon Law Center |
| Faith-based Agency (term ends 6/2020) | Brian Schimmel, Old Town Church |

- Approve the revisions to CoC policy 578.7a Community Connect Action Item
- Adopt Phase 35 Allocation of Emergency Food and Shelter Program Action Item
- Updates to A Road Home Year 10 Work PlanAction Item
- Save The Date: June 28 at 1:30 p.m. for the Community Stakeholder meeting in support of the Metro Tri-County Permanent Supportive Housing Equity Planning Grant.
- Guest Speakers for CoC Planning Calendar 8/2018 through 7/2019.
- V. ANNOUNCEMENTS: 9:50 a.m.
- VI. ADJOURNMENT: 10:00 a.m.

No Meeting in July - Observance of 4th of July Holiday

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 1, 2018 Guest Speaker(s):

*HUD NOFA Bonus Project Presentations and Scoring

*Outreach Program Presentations: Luke-Dorf, HomePlate and DAVS

Comments or questions regarding the agenda can be directed to Annette Evans at 503-846-4760

Department of Housing Services



HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES NETWORK Maintaining a Continuum of Care in Washington County

Beaverton Building May 2, 2018, 8:30 a.m.

Goal: Housing and supportive service agencies working to bring a broad spectrum of organizations together as partners in the community to secure funding and other resources needed in providing a continuum of care for individuals and families who are homeless or with special needs.

ATTENDEES:

Abukar, Zabro—CPAH

Alexander, Allie—Good Neighbor Center Alfaro-Martinez, Kevin—Virginia Garcia

Anthony, Emily—DVRC

Auslander, Jay—Washington County Mental Health Baca, Melissa—Community Action Organization

Calvin, Mellani—ASSIST Program Cervantes, Maria—DHS Tigard Chichester, Lezlie—Luke-Dorf, Inc.

Coppiano, Zoila—Community Action Organization

Deppa, Emma—City of Beaverton

Downer, Traci—Community Action Organization

Eckhardt, Kristy—Washington County Housing Services Evans, Annette—Washington County Housing Services Fellger, Vara—Washington County Housing Services Fleming, Robert—Community Action Organization Galian, Katherine—Community Action Organization Groesz, Joshua—Salvation Army Veterans & Family

Heart, Annie—Family Promise of Washington County

Heaton, Lukas—City of Hillsboro

Hernandez, Alma—Hillsboro School District 1J

Herron, Carol—Just Compassion SWS Knutson, Jennifer—Boys & Girls Aid

Kreml, Bill—LifeWorks NW Larson, Jes—METRO

Loch, Toni—Family Justice Center

Ludlam, Mandie—Community Housing Fund Ludwig, Anya—Cascade AIDS Project Mari, Tim—Community Action Organization

Martinez, Omar—City of Hillsboro

Mattia, Matt—Wash. Co. Community Development McMahan, Emma—Community Action Organization

Moyer, Kerstin—LifeWorks NW

Moodt, Maria—Housing Independence

Mojira, Emily—Boys & Girls Aid

Nelson, Barbara—Veteran Family Resource Center Perkowski, Kaja—Open Door Counselling Center Peterson, Marlys—Safe Families For Children Potter, Yvette—Washington County DAVS

Ram, Sarala—CODA, Inc. Reinheardt, Chad—DHS-SSP Ritter, Jeanne-Marie—Luke-Dorf, Inc. Rizo, Regina—US Veterans Affairs

Rodriguez, David

Rogers, Pat—Community Action Organization Salisbury, Susan—Community Action Organization

Salvon, Jeff—City of Beaverton

Schimmel, Brian—FG Temporary Emergency Shelter Schnitzer, Cole—US Department of Veteran Affairs

Sell, Wendy—LifeWorks NW Smelley, LeeAnn—DVRC MMH Stavreva, Silvia—Bridges to Change Stirnaman, Danielle—Luke-Dorf, Inc.

Stoller, Rick—Ecumenical Ministries – Second Home

Summers, Chance—LifeWorks NW

Teifel, Gordon—Families for Independent Living/DEAR

Valfre, Val—City of Forest Grove Weller, Sarah—Write Around Portland Williamson, Drew—Boys & Girls Aid

Yerotn, Erin—Family Promise of Washington County

Yokoyama, Kelly—Housing Independence

Chair: Annette Evans, Public Agency Representative annette_evans@co.washington.or.us Co-Chair: Katherine Galian, Nonprofit Agency Representative kgalian@caowash.org

I. INTRODUCTIONS

II. GUEST SPEAKER

Toni Loch, Executive Director, Family Justice Center

"Serving Persons Fleeing Domestic Violence At The Family Justice Center"

The Family Justice Center of Washington County is a private non-profit organization providing support, information and services regarding domestic violence through partner agencies who maintain representatives under their roof. Current partners include Domestic

Violence Resource Center (DVRC), Hillsboro Police Department, Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS), Community Action Organization, Oregon Law Center and Voices Set Free. Over 300 people visited the Center for services within the first three weeks of their opening on March 26. Currently, they have 3 employees; however, are in the process of writing grants to add additional staff for onsite navigator and child care positions.

Questions & Answers:

Who are "Voices Set Free?"

A non-profit organization providing education and counselling for children of domestic violence.

What is law enforcement's role at the Center?

Whenever possible, the Center tries to connect victims with their local law enforcement agency to provide supportive services (e.g. filing a police report, answering questions about filing charges and/or filing for a Restraining Order). Currently Washington County Sheriff's Office and Hillsboro Police Department have an onsite presence. Toni is hoping to add Beaverton Police Department. Law enforcement also provides security for the facility.

Does Law Enforcement help in processing Restraining Orders?

To accommodate victims, Restraining Orders are prepared and submitted electronically and can be immediately served by law enforcement. Uncontested court appearances can be done via "Remote Court", a program that allows court appearance via Skype.

How is the Center addressing the housing needs of survivors, those that are homeless or at risk of?

They partner with community agencies for emergency shelter. Having DHS on-site is beneficial for providing emergency funding through the domestic violence grant.

Is the Family Justice Center open to men and women?

Yes, in fact, there are more men accessing services.

Is there a Veterans Program available?

Not yet.

What are your funding sources?

Approximately half of their budget funded by city and county government. They also write grants, fundraise and solicit financial support from businesses.

What services are provided after hours?

The Center currently does not provide services after hours; however, some of their off-site partners do; e.g. DVRC, ARMS and Adelante Mujeres.

Jes Larson, Metro

"Metro Regional Affordable Housing Bond"

The Metro Council is considering a regional general obligation bond measure for the November 2018 ballot that would help partners build and protect affordable homes throughout the region. A Constitutional amendment to allow local bonds to support affordable housing created by nongovernmental entities is also on the November ballot and will effect the outcomes for the regional bond measure. If the Constitutional amendment passes, the regional metro bond measure would allow 10,000 people to be served through the creation of 3,200 affordable homes. If it fails, 6,300 people would be served through the creation of 2,000 homes throughout the three regions. Using "assessed value" as the basis for distribution of funds. Multnomah County would receive 45% of the funds, Washington County 34% and Clackamas County 21%. Of the total homes created, 45% will be reserved for families with median family income (MFI) of 30% or below and 50% will be units of 2 or more bedrooms for families. Only 10% will be set aside for households of 60-80% MFI. A draft framework of the bond measure was released last Thursday for review and public discussion. The Metro Council is expected to release the final measure framework in midlate June for inclusion on the November 2018 ballot.

She concluded by referring the membership to oregonmetro.gov/housing and optinpanel.org to complete an online survey to help refine the draft framework.

Questions & Answers:

Does affordable housing mean home ownership or rent assistance?

The proposal is for a \$515.6 million bond to fund affordable homes through property tax revenue to be spent over 5-7 years. The additional cost per household would be less than \$50 per year. Home ownership would only be possible if the proposed Constitutional amendment passes.

How did your testing for the bond measure compare to the Washington County Thrives testing?

Metro did different polling than that done by Washington County Thrives. The outcomes are stronger, but noted, they are using a different mechanism: a general obligation bond versus a property tax levy. They also recognize an effective campaign strategy will require region-wide coordination and leadership.

Are you expecting obstacles to getting the measure on the ballot?

To date they have received positive feedback and strong support, and not much opposition, but notes there are still lots of details to be established. Barriers to referring the measure to the November ballot might include strong opposition voiced to Metro over the next few weeks. Another challenge will be their ability to reach and educate voters.

If the bond measure does not pass, is there a Plan B?

If it doesn't pass, they would have to evaluate why voters didn't support the measure and look at whether another vehicle would have worked better; however, they are receiving strong support for the current measure. Now, more than at any other time, homelessness and housing affordability is the most important issue for communities.

Does the term "homes" mean single unit homes or apartment units?

The term "home" describes a place where people thrive and grow, feel comfortable and safe and could either be in a single unit home or multi-family building. Based on the cost of land, multi-family buildings are more cost effective than individual homes and are a more efficient use of funds.

Why is the allocation of funds for family units limited to 50% when there already appears to be plenty of 1-bedroom units available?

She noted the call for a higher percentage of family units and explained the allocation for families was arrived at through HMIS data provided by county partners and is a much higher percentage than the current ratio. She noted constructing family sized housing is more expensive and needs to be considered to achieve outcomes significant enough for voter support.

Is the allocation of funds by county reflective of revenue generated by the jurisdiction's tax base?

She recognized the perception of most suburban tax payers is their tax dollars subsidize the urban core, but noted that historically 95% of the resources for affordable housing comes from the City of Portland so dollars are spent in the City of Portland. Local communities across the region haven't had dollars to fund affordable homes. This proposed measure will allow funds to be available to local communities because it uses "assessed value" as the distribution mechanism.

Using the "assessed value" formula, if Washington County grows at a fast rate than Multnomah County, would they receive a larger distribution percentage?

That is possible; however, those outcomes would have to happen in a short time since the funds are projected to be used over a 5-7 year period.

Is there an amount reserved for the increased number of independent seniors on a limited Social Security income who need housing?

After the Metro Council refers the measure to the November ballot, it will be up to the cities and counties to implement the measure locally. Local implementation strategies will be

developed with each participating jurisdiction. All agencies need to inform cities what the needs and matrices are for their communities. The goal is to address as much of the need in the local community as possible.

In terms of total dollars, how does the proposed distribution from this bond compare to the HUD funds that Washington County currently receives?

Washington County receives 12% of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance funds in the tri-county area which represents \$3.4 million, while Clackamas County receives 9% and Multnomah County receives 79%. The City of Beaverton doesn't use Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars for construction, but instead for programs to keep people in their homes allocating \$741,000 for this year. Washington County allocated \$1.6 million for affordable home construction in the HOME Program, \$1.7 for CDBG funds countywide and \$169,000 for Emergency Solutions Grant funds.

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Approve the April 4, 2018 HSSN meeting minutes.

Action: Gordon Teifel
Second: Katherine Galian
Vote: Approved, unanimous.

IV. GENERAL BUSINESS

HSSN Governance – Term Expiration and Vacancy due to retirement.

Terms for CoC Board positions representing Victims of Domestic Violence, Developmental Disabilities, Citizen At-Large or Outreach, and ESG/CDBG/HOME sub-populations end June 30, 2018. The position representing Faith-Based Organization is being vacated by Judy Werner due to retirement. Nominations were open and will continue through May 21. Pat Rogers nominated Toni Loch for the Victims of Domestic Violence position. Matt Matthia nominated Gordon Teifel for the Developmental Disabilities position. Annette nominated Attorney Ellen Johnson to renew her term as the Citizen At-Large or Outreach representative. Katherine Galian nominated Matt Matthia to renew his term for the ESG/CDBG/HOME position. Pat Rogers nominated Brian Schimmel for the Faith-Based Organization position. All nominees accepted their nominations. The HSSN membership will vote on the nominations at the June 6 meeting.

Year 10 Work Plan Updates from Subcommittees and Agencies.

Annette reported the Housing Authority received 25 new HUD-VASH vouchers in April so item 2.1.f is completed. Any additional updates should be emailed to her within the next two weeks. The revised work plan will be posted on the website and available for review.

Release of A Road Home: Community Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness

The HSSN Workgroup recommended adding the definition of "homeless children and youths" pursuant to Subtitle VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (per title IX, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act), which was added to Appendix B, page 69. The HPAC recommended adding percentages of homeless students compared to total enrollment to better clarify the state of homelessness within schools and school districts. They appreciated the addition of the student homelessness and recommended the addition of an "Ethnicity" pie chart to further explain the demographics of homelessness within communities and data showing the financial impact to the community. Annette will email a link to HSSN membership once the revised homeless plan is re-posted to the website. She plans to present the homeless plan at the Board of County Commissioners work session on June 5th and if they approve to move forward, it will be voted on for adoption at their June 19th meeting. Annual work plans will continue with the new homeless plan as well.

FY2018 CoC Program Registration: HUD CPD-18-03 Released April 9, 2018.

Annette reported the federal FY2018 grant funds were appropriated and registration for the program released by HUD. Registration is due May 14 and includes a review of all renewal projects currently being funded. The registration seeks to renew \$3.5 million in CoC funds and compete for bonus funds that may come available through the 5% increase to the federal FY2018 budget for homeless assistance programs. She asked that agencies begin thinking about additional projects to address needs within the community. She suggested planning to come to the August HSSN meeting with proposals to be voted and scored on.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jes Larson announced she had several size 13 shoes in the trunk of her car available to any agency that had a need.
- Gordon shared his wife visited with a mom in the locker room at the Harmon Pool with a son with developmental disabilities, who applied for, interviewed and is now a resident of Sunset View Apartments as a direct result of their conversation.
- Kevin Alfaro-Martinez shared an observation of an increase in bullying (middle and high schools), domestic violence and eating disorders. In the case of bullying, he suggested making sure parents were involved and that young people were connected with school counselors. If bullying continued to persist, to file a complaint with the school district.
- Drew Williamson introduced two new members of the housing team at Boy & Girls Aid.
 Emily Mojira will be supporting youth in the HUD-funded Transitional Living Program and Jennifer Knudsen will be supporting youth in a new program for transition-age youth aging out of foster care.
- Joshua Groetz announced Salvation Army selected him as their new Social Service
 Director for Cascade Division to advise shelters in Oregon and Idaho. He will be working
 out of their divisional headquarters in Happy Valley.
- Sarah Weller of Write Around Portland announced the release of anthologies featuring writers from SafePlace, LifeWorks NW, Adolescent Day Treatment Program, Albertina Kerr (Hillsboro), REACH CDC, The Maples I and II. The book readings will be held on May 17 and May 23 in downtown Portland.
- Yvette Potter announced several upcoming events. A Memorial Day ceremony on May 28th at 1:00pm at the Veterans Memorial Gateway on the corner of 34 Avenue and Veterans Drive, Engage at Every Age, storyteller performances on Tuesday, May 15, and Wednesday, May 30, from 1 to 3 p.m. and the Annual Elder Abuse Forum on May 17 from8 a.m.to 4:30 p.m..
- Leanne Smelley announced she joined the Domestic Violence Resource Center last week to coordinate housing and employment.
- Gordon Teifel announced St. Andrew Lutheran Church was partnering with Family Promise of Beaverton and hosting a young mom and her child next week.
- Annette Evans recognized Jay Auslander for the hospital cost data he provided to include as part of the financial impact data for A Road Home.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Vara Fellger, Washington County Department of Housing Services Handouts:

- Family Justice Center Brochure in English and Spanish
- METRO Homes for greater Portland Regional housing measure: Draft framework dated April 30, 2018
- Year 10: July 2017-June 2018, A Road Home: 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness in Washington County, Oregon
- Write Around Portland Book Readings on May 17 and May 23, 6:30-8pm in downtown Portland
- Elder Abuse Forum, Thursday, May 17, 2018 8am-4:30pm

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