

WASHINGTON COUNTY

OREGON

HOUSING and SUPPORTIVE SERVICE NETWORK

Providing a Continuum of Care for Vulnerable Populations in Washington County
Wednesday, June 7, 2017
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.
- III. REPORTS AND PROGRAM UPDATES: 8:40 a.m.
 - Subcommittee Reports
 - Children (Homeless Education Network)
 - Youth
 - Homelessness
 - Permanent Housing
 - DD Dialogue
 - Mental Health and Special Needs Community Consortium Steering Committee
 - Veterans
 - Washington County Reentry Council
 - Seniors
 - "Community Connect" Oversight Committee
 - Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
 - Strategic Planning and Discharge Workgroup June 9th, 2017
 - Homeless Plan Advisory Committee (HPAC) July 20, 2017
- IV. GENERAL BUSINESS: 9:00 a.m.
 - HSSN Governance Election of positions, nominations close May 22...... Action Item
 - HSSN Co-Chair Position: 2-Year Term: 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2019
 - HSSN Workgroup: 4-Year Terms: 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2021

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Positions (HSSN and HSSN Workgroup)	Current Slate of Nominees
HSSN: Co-Chair	Katherine Galian, Community Action
Workgroup: Business	Denise Turner, Denise's Spa Petite
Workgroup: Runaway/Homeless Youth	Andrea Logan-Sanders, Boys & Girls Aid
Workgroup: Substance Addiction	
Workgroup: Mainstream Resources	Robin Shultz, Oregon DHS

- Year 9 Work Plan Updates Action Item
- Guest Speakers for CoC Planning Calendar 8/2017 through 7/2018.
- HSSN summer meeting schedule in the event of HUD NOFA.
- V. ANNOUNCEMENTS: 9:45 a.m.
- VI. ADJOURNMENT: 10:00 a.m.

No Meeting on July 5, 2017 in Observance of 4th of July Holiday

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 2, 2017

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

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

Beaverton Building May 3, 2017 at 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:

Adams, Jessica—Community Action Organization

Auslander, Jay—Washington County Mental Health Becker, Emily—Oregon Food Bank

Browning, Rose—Good Neighbor Center

Burnham, Jeff—Luke-Dorf, Inc.
Calvin, Mellani—Program ASSIST
Chance, Summer—LifeWorks NW
Deppa, Emma—City of Beaverton
Earp, Eric—Bridges to Change

Evans, Annette—Washington County Housing Services Fitzpatrick, Bill—Community Partners for Affordable Housing

Galian, Katherine—Community Action Organization

Graslie, Christina—Luke-Dorf, Inc. Hastings, Andrew—LifeWorks NW Hernandez-Fuerte, Isobel—Impact NW Herron, Carol-St. Anthony's Shelter

Layton, Amber— HomePlate

Lee-Anderson, Jennifer—Beaverton Social Justice League

Linder, April—Housing Independence

Ludlam, Mandie—Community Housing Fund

Mattia, Matt—Wash. Co. Community Development

McVey, Jaycanna—Washington County Housing Services

Orr, Patrick—Cascade AIDS Project

Perkowski, Kaja—Open Door Counseling Center Pero, David—Homeless Education Network Petersen, Marlys—Safe Families for Children Potter, Yvette—Washington County DAVS

Radecki, Kara—Luke-Dorf, Inc. Ram, Sarala—CODA Inc. Rees, Kari—Bridges to Change

Rogers, Pat—Community Action Organization Rustad, Rachel—Northwest Housing Alternatives Salisbury, Susan—Community Action Organization

Salvon, Jeff—City of Beaverton

Schnitzer, Cole—U.S. Dept. of Veteran Affairs

Seward, Michelle—LifeWorks NW

Stoller, Rick—Ecumenical Ministries, Second Home Taylor, Molly—Oregon Dept. of Human Services

Teifel, Gordon—Families for Independent Living & DEAR

Trunnell, Alan—City of Beaverton, CDBG

Werner, Judy—Lutheran Community Services NW

Williamson, Drew—Boys and Girls Aid

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

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Alan Trunnell, City of Beaverton, announced a ground breaking event of The Rise Central with the Mayor of Beaverton. It will have commercial space, 230 housing units, 15 set aside for those at or below 80% of AMI. There will be a hotel will be added at a later date. It is taking place at 10 a.m. across the street from this meeting.

II. GUEST SPEAKER

Programs and Services Provided by Safe Families

Ms. Marlys Petersen, Safe Families for Children

Safe Families for Children offers a creative solution to help families and is a collaboration between Safe Families for Children, the family and a host family. Host families give housing to a child or children of a family in need to help parents work on barriers or safety concerns in order for the family to resolve their crisis and return to living together

Referrals are accepted from partner agencies and families. They meet with the family, discuss barriers and goals and pair them with a host family. They are similar to a Foster

family in that they have a full background check with fingerprinting, a home study and references. The purpose of the host family is to give the family in crisis a network that surrounds and supports them. The goal is to return the children to the family as soon as possible. Parents retain all of their legal rights with medical and educational decision making given to the host family through a power of attorney. Visits are highly encouraged, and parents can decline host services at any time. Children are defined as birth to 18 years old. One goal of the agency is early intervention, prior to CPS involvement. Cost per child and length of stay out of home are significantly less than current state foster care. The family also is paired with a family coach that can help set up the parents with additional social supports that can aid in life skills and monetary support. Services are accessible for families with undocumented parents, but whose children are citizens. Host families are willing to have children visit parents who are incarcerated or will find appropriate transportation. Host families are generally from the ecumenical community; families and children are not required to take part in church activities and host families are able to make arrangements for alternate care of a child or children if parents do not want children taking part in religious activities. The typical length of stay is approximately 90 days, can be extended and at times is shorter. Safe Families for Children finds children staying longer than absolutely necessary outside of the home is not beneficial for the children or families.

Census Results for 2017 Point-in-Time Homeless Count

Mr. Pat Rogers, Community Action Organization

Community Action Organization has been coordinating the Point-in-Time (PIT) homeless count in Washington County for the last 15 years. All jurisdictions in the country who receive HUD funding are required to take part in the homeless count. Prior to 2002 the count took place twice a year and HUD determines the date. This year's count occurred the last week in January and involved 35 staff and volunteers from Luke Dorf, Inc., HomePlate and Community Action Organization. Over the years through coordination with Severe Weather Shelters, a great system has been created to de-duplicate data as the population migrates from one shelter to another during the severe weather season. Deduplication also occurs at the data entry point. Persons are counted as a result of a face to face interview with 544 persons (377 households) reported.

Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) reports a decrease in the number of rapid re-housing beds due to money being dispersed at the beginning of the grant year and therefore not available to house at the time of PIT. We are not able to serve as many individuals with the same amount of dollars. We remain static with Safe Haven beds and Transitional Housing.

Source of income is not currently collected, but may be added in future PIT due to the feedback requesting percent of population receiving Social Security income. Pat Rogers also mentioned that information collected is self-reported and those a with mental health disability may be higher due to being unaware of their own mental health condition, or not wanting to report their disability.

Drew Williamson, Safe Place for Youth, reported in 2016 there was a mass exodus of youth from the shelter the day before the count, possibly weather related. The increase this year was due to the Severe Weather. David Pero mentioned this year, children ages 0-5 years were counted despite not being in school. Also, keep in mind, unaccompanied youth are those in shelter without their parents and are considered head of household despite being a minor. Migration to Washington County is occurring, specifically from Multnomah County and noting that youth from out of area are more likely to come to Washington County than

vice-versa due to street culture. Far more youth were literally outside than in previous years, but unsure how many of those are considered unaccompanied youth.

Alan Trunnell asked about comparing PIT and HIC to other CoC's to see any overall trends, etc. Annette reported this occurred during the recession, have not done so in the last couple of years. Multnomah County completed their count the last week in February as they requested an extension due to the weather wearing out outreach workers. There are multiple ways to complete the count, including statistical sample. The best way to improve accuracy would be to increase the number of volunteers and increase saturation during the count. Carol Herron from St. Anthony's Severe Weather Shelter stated that doing face to face interviews is a great way to get involved and to better understand the homeless population in our area.

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Approve the April 5, 2017 HSSN meeting minutes.

Action: Katherine Galian Second: Gordon Teifel

<u>Vote:</u> Approved, unanimous.

IV. REPORTS AND PROGRAM UPDATES

Children (Homeless Education Network): David Pero <u>dpero@fgsd.k.12.or.us</u>

Next Meeting:, May 17th from 12-2:30, third Wednesday of each month.

David Pero reported the meeting is in Hillsboro and the group is applying for a sub-grant.

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This grant is to have mentors to help homeless, unaccompanied youth. There is only 30 days of school left for Forest Grove School District.

Youth: Drew Williamson <u>dwilliamson@boysandgirlsaid.org</u>

<u>Next Meeting:</u> Monday, June 12th, 4:30 p.m. at Safe Place for Transitional Age Youth. Drew Williamson reported and anticipates an increase in crisis by youth and the Youth Committee will be available throughout the summer to support them.

Homelessness: Pat Rogers progers@caowash.org

Next Meeting: May 15th, 9:00 a.m. at Vision Action Network; 3700 SW Murray Blvd # 195. Pat Rogers reported the group made a decision to create two meetings out of one; Shelter Network, 9 am to 10:30 am followed by the Master List 10:30 am to 12 pm. Shelter network is working on taking a trauma informed look when conducting intakes, de-duplicating steps and processes for the intakes and having all the shelters honor each's intake process. Master List is how we want to address each homeless person in the system and is practicing with the Veteran population in conjunction with the VA.

Permanent Housing: Jeff Salvon <u>isalvon@beavertonoregon.gov</u>

Next meeting: Next 2 meetings are May 4th and June 1st, the first Thursday of each month. Mr. Salvon reported the Coalition of Housing Advocates (CHA) is made up of non-profit housing developers and providers. Last month, this ad hoc committee discussed the Aloha Tomorrow Project and the SW Corridor extension of the Tri-Met Line that's going through Tigard. The approach to looking at SDCs is with local governments in order to help with costs to create more affordable housing.

DD Dialogue: Gordon Teifel mainlight@me.com

Next meeting: Not reported.

Gordon Teifel reported on People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, stating there is cause for concern regarding proposed cuts to statewide funding and eligibility for

programs which will effect social service agencies, including drop in centers. Oregon Disability Network is advocating for maintaining if not increasing state funding.

Mental Health and Special Needs Community Consortium Steering Committee:

Annette Evan, Annette_evans@co.washington.or.us

Next meeting: No date in May was set and is looking for a date in June to meet.

The meeting will include Oregon Housing and Community Services, State Representatives, Oregon Health Authority, as well as, the local community to address housing for those who are homeless with disabilities.

Veterans: Cole Schnitzer cole.schnitzer@va.gov

Next meeting: Not reported

It was reported that they are continuing to voucher and work with landlords regarding various backgrounds. The State legislative piece prohibiting more than 25% of those in a property site have mental health concerns, is a challenge. However, the biggest challenge as noted by Mr. Burnham of Luke-Dorf, Inc. is being tied into Fair Market Rent, though they are finding alternate resources to meet the rent cost need.

Washington County Reentry Council: *Martha Duncan-Perez* <u>dnc2010@comcast.net</u> Next Meeting: not reported

Ms. Duncan-Perez moved out of the leadership role; unsure who is in the role at this time.

Seniors: Yvette Potter Yvette_Potter @co.washington.or.us

Next meeting: Not reported

Care Giver Training occurs once per guarter with notice sent through the HSSN list serve.

Community Connect Oversight Committee: Annette Evans

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Next meeting: not reported

Ms. Evans reported the last meeting focused on the new HUD notice CPD 17-01 for Coordinated Entry.

Strategic Planning and Discharge Workgroup: Annette Evans

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Next meeting: June 9th at 8:30 a.m. at 155 N First Avenue, Room 105

Ms. Evans reported openings which will be talked about at the next meeting. The Point in Time, Housing Inventory Chart and System Performance Measures were approved for submission at the last meeting.

Homeless Plan Advisory Committee (HPAC): Annette Evans

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Next Meeting: July 20th

The last meeting was two weeks ago. They looked at some things happening at the legislative level that could potentially benefit our served population with some moved funds. The Budget for FY2017 will increase homeless assistance funds.

Homeless Management Information System: Annette Evans

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Annette Evans reported she is now working on data quality reports, which will now go out will regularity, since the PIT HIC and System Performance Measures have been submitted.

V. GENERAL BUSINESS

- FY2017 CoC Program Grant Registration due 5/4/2017 was submitted this morning.
- HUD CPD 17-01: Notice Establishing Additional Requirements for CoC Centralized or Coordinated Assessment System: identified areas for the oversite committee to address policies that are not currently addressed: assessment, training for those administering assessments and prioritizations for most vulnerable populations (vulnerability index). Also need to add nondiscrimination language which will be presented for approval by the HSSN
- HSSN Governance: Open nomination today with election at 6/7/2017 meeting for HSSN Co-Chairperson Position, 2 year term 7/1/2017–6/30/2019, and HSSN Workgroup Position(s), 4 year term 7/1/2017-6/30/2021, to represent subpopulations or community stakeholder for: 1. Business, 2. Substance Addition, 3. Runaway/Unaccompanied Youth, and 4. Mainstream Resource Provider. Nomination deadline is 5/22/2017.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Katherine Galian announced a new rent assistance resource through Oregon Housing and Community Resources for elderly population, those who are homeless or at imminent risk.
- Matt Mattia brought fair housing posters for all to take and post within their organization.
- Amber Layton reminded all about HomePlate's annual kickball tournament at Hillsboro Hops stadium on June 4th.
- Drew Williamson announced one opening at their Transitional Living Program for a female, ages 18 through 23 who is employed and will have a roommate.
- Alan Trunnell requested help to get the ball rolling on SDC fees. SDCs are fees given to developers when creating housing units. It is a flat rate per residential unit; i.e. 290 sq. ft. SRO pays same fee as a 6,000 sq. ft. home on the outskirts of the County.
- Emma Deppa announced it is Fair Housing month for the city of Beaverton.
- Mellani Calvin of ASSIST states they are looking for referrals for those needing help applying for SSI and SSDI.
- Kara Radecki announced that Luke-Dorf, Inc. has multiple job openings which are available on their website.
- Jessica Adams announced the Emergency Housing Account and Homeless Assistance Program funds are getting resistance in Salem. Oregon Housing Alliance has more info.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m. The next meeting is June 7, 2017, at 8:30 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Jaycanna McVey Washington County Department of Housing Services

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