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Department of Housing Services



March Meeting

Homeless Solutions Advisory Council

March 20, 2025



Agenda

- Public comment
- New staff introductions
- SHS Work Plan
- Transitional housing update
- Staff updates



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SHS Year 5 DRAFT Work Plan



Goals - Program Outcome Metrics

Shelter System – *maintain 385 shelter units*

- Relocate pod shelters
- Open New Hillsboro Shelter (and close Clover Leaf)

Housing Interventions – *Goals under development with financial and data analysis*

- Rapid rehousing
- Supportive housing
- Move In ready
- Homeless preventions
- Graduation to RLRA Only

Retention Rates

- 85% across PSH and RRH programs

Goals – For System Capacity

- Design effective Transitional Housing program
- Design and implement a pooled fund for homeless preventions and move-in financial assistance
- Update our Local Implementation Plan with broad community engagement

Goals – For Partner Capacity

- Help at least 4 providers build capacity to leverage Medicaid funding for their programs (health and housing integration)
- Establish financial monitoring procedures that reduce monthly reporting/invoicing requirements for 'low-risk' providers

Goals – For advancing Racial Equity

- Improve understanding of racial disparities in serving Asian-American households through qualitative and quantitative data gathering and analysis
- Employ the Regional Racial Equity Lens Tool (RELT) for decision making processes and iterate to improve

Goals – Feedback

- Are these the right goals to prioritize, or should other higher-priority and measurable goals take precedent in Year 5?
- What recommendations does the committee have for establishing ambitious but achievable placement goals?

Considerations & Next Steps

Considerations

- System will focus on supporting providers and mitigating impacts to participants as we navigate with reduced SHS funding.
- Five years in, now is the best time to hone our essential system of care for years 6-10.

Next Steps

- DRAFT work plan submitted to Metro April 1st
- Final work plan due this summer

Transitional Housing



Transitional Housing Background

- Notice of Funding Offering was released in September 2024
- Board awarded two projects December 2024, based on recommendations of the robust review process with internal and external stakeholders
- **Cornell Road Recovery:** Central City Concern (CCC), CODA and NW Instituto Latino was awarded \$29.1 million for the purchase and rehab for recovery-oriented transitional housing. 99-room hotel, located five-minutes from Beaverton Recovery Center
- **Transcending Hope** was awarded \$8.1 million to purchase land and build new transitional housing for 39 people with behavioral health needs in Hillsboro



Transitional Housing projects timeline

Winter 24/25

Spring 25

Summer 25

Fall 25

Winter 25/26

Spring 26

Summer 26

Fall 26

PROGRAM DESIGN (BOTH SITES)

REHAB (CORNELL ROAD)

NEIGHBOR NOTIFICATION

GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT

SITE OPEN!

CONSTRUCTION (TRANSCENDING HOPE, THROUGH 2026)

NEIGHBOR NOTIFICATION

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ANTICIPATED OPENING: LATE 2026

Central City Concern change order request

- Central City Concern asked for a change order for the Cornell Road Recovery Housing project due to capacity constraints
- The Board of County Commissioners (and the Housing Authority Board) approved the change of owners on January 8th
- Housing Authority of Washington County owns the site as of March 10th
- Development and neighbor notification!
- Advisory body and stakeholder engagement continues

Cornell Road Program Design Feedback

Updated staff considerations and recommendations:

- Create a mix of recovery focused transitional housing programs to reduce acute needs at one location (total 80-90 units)
- Create transition-in-place program design, where participants graduate and move to lower level of support on site
- Expand capacity for recuperative care shelter program (LATS)
- Create live-in resident manager suites to reduce staff costs and increase peer supports

Discussion Questions

- When you consider recovery-focused transitional housing, what building and program design elements are most important?
- Are there other programs that would be suitable for co-location with a recovery-focused transitional housing setting that should be considered?
- How can the program be designed to address safety concerns related to serving complex needs populations in a recovery based program?



Next Steps

- Internal and external subject matter expert conversations to gather additional feedback
- Department leadership will discuss staff recommendations, informed by budget and timeline considerations
- Decision on program types at building in early April
- Additional Solutions Council consultation expected (for this site and the Transcending Hope's site) as program manuals are developed

Oregon Legislative Session Update



Staff Updates



Community celebration for the groundbreaking of the permanent Hillsboro shelter, March 3, 2025

- Housing Advisory Committee
- Homeless Services funding update
 - Federal
 - State
 - SHS
- Annual Volunteer Appreciation Celebration

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Thank you





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