



HOUSING and SUPPORTIVE SERVICE NETWORK

Providing a Continuum of Care for Vulnerable Populations in Washington County

Wednesday, October 3, 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.

- Emily Starbuck, Washington County Economist, Oregon Department of Employment (25 min)
“Low-Income Employment and Housing Implications”
- Arlene Jones, Disability Rights of Oregon (30 min)
“Plan For Work and Work Incentive Program”
- Jesse Neilson, Oregon Law Center (5 min)
“Beaverton Ordinance”

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: 9:35 a.m. Action Item

IV. GENERAL BUSINESS: 9:40 a.m.

- Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA): Preparing to submit data for period 10/1/2017 to 9/30/2018. LSA replaces the Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR).
- A Road Home: Subcommittee updates on plan implementation.
- Winter 2018/2019 Severe Weather Shelter Response Plan.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS: 9:50 a.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: 10:00 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Guest Speaker(s):

John Wheeler, Washington County Emergency Cooperative on “Sheltering In Disasters”
Melanie Adrian, OneApp Oregon

The HSSN is open to the public and all are invited to join. Comments regarding the agenda can be directed to Annette Evans, Homeless Program Manager, at 503-846-4760.



HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES NETWORK
Maintaining a Continuum of Care in Washington County
Beaverton Building
September 5, 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:

Achilles, Lisa--CareOregon	Pero, David--McKinney-Vento Liaison/Homeless Ed Network
Adams, Jessica--Community Action Organization	Potter, Yvette--DAVS, Washington County
Blaylock, Mark--Bridges to Change	Prater, Angel--Folktime
Burnham, Jeff--Luke-Dorf, Inc.	Pundt, Tyler--Luke-Dorf, Inc.
Calvin, Mellani--ASSIST Program	Ritter, Jeanne-Marie--Luke-Dorf, Inc.
Cardinal, Jessica--Mental Health Association of Oregon	Rogers, Patrick--Community Action Organization
Cervantes, Maria--DHS Tigard	Ruiz-Home, Elise--Boys & Girls Aid
Cockeram, Tami--City of Hillsboro	Ryerson, Tyler--City of Beaverton
Cohen, Megan--City of Beaverton	Salisbury, Susan--Community Action Organization
Eckhardt, Kristy--Washington County Housing Services	Salvon, Jeff--City of Beaverton
Evans, Annette--Washington County Housing Services	Schimmel, Brian--Old Town Church
Fellger, Vara--Washington County Housing Services	Sell, Wendy--LifeWorks NW
Gadd-Guillot, Lisa--Luke-Dorf, Inc.	Sheller, Gayle--DVRC
Galian, Katherine--Community Action Organization	Smith, Gary--U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs
Garcia-Gomez, Bill--Hillsboro School District	Soneoulay-Gillespie, Toc--CareOregon
Greenlaw-Fink, Sheila--The Community Housing Fund	Sosa, Brenda--DHS SSP Beaverton
Herron, Carol--Just Compassion SWS	Stoller, Rick--Ecumenical Ministries - Second Home
Ludlam, Mandie--Community Housing Fund	Swearingin, Nicole--Luke-Dorf, Inc.
Ludwig, Anya--Cascade AIDS Project	Taylor, Rowie--DVRC
Martinez, Omar--City of Hillsboro	Teifel, Gordon--Families for Independent Living/DEAR
Meierotto, Michelle--Housecall Providers	Valdez, Bianetth--HomePlate
Palma, Victor--CPAH	Weller, Sarah--Write Around Portland
Pearson, Juli--Washington County HHS	Yokoyama, Kelly--Housing Independence
Perkowski, Kaja--Open Door Counseling Center	
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. PROJECT UPDATE: WESTGATE DEVELOPMENT

Tyler Ryerson, City of Beaverton

The property was originally purchased by City of Beaverton and Metro in mid-2000. An RFP was issued in 2013 resulting in three proposals for development of the 3.5-4 acre site. Rembold Properties LLC was chosen whose plan was to build out three different parcels and extend the street through. Two parcels would be kept for mixed use residential, and the remaining parcel, a hotel. After discussion, it was agreed the two residential buildings would include 230 total units, 5,500 square feet of retail/office space and 15 affordable units at 80% AMI. The complex is expected to open in the Spring of 2019 with a regulatory agreement in place to ensure the affordable units are filled at all times.

Questions & Answers:

Are the units primarily 1 or 2 bedroom?

It is primarily 1 and 2-bedroom units; however, there will be some 3-bedroom.

What is the parking?

Parking is calculated at .75 per unit (City of Beaverton's minimum requirement), so approximately 180 parking spaces are planned.

What is the approximate rent range?

Most of the units will be at the higher end, except for the 15 affordable units.

When and how can people apply for the affordable units?

Rembold's property management group is handling all applications, which should be available for submission now. Tyler will share the specific information with Annette.

Angel Prater suggested agencies collaborate to provide housing subsidies for the 15 affordable units to help make them affordable to people with income below 80% AMI.

The Rembold family is open to thinking outside the box and would be receptive to any ideas.

III. GUEST SPEAKER

**Jeanne-Marie Ritter and Nicole Swearingin, Luke-Dorf, Inc. and
Bianetth Valdez, HomePlate**

"Outreach Programs – Requests and Expectations"

Bianetth reported HomePlate is a low-barrier drop-in resource center (not a shelter) serving homeless or unstably housed youth, ages 12 to 24. Outreach workers go to transit centers, parks, libraries and anywhere youth congregate providing water, snacks, gloves and hand warmers. Drop-in resources include meals, clothing, showers, and laundry facilities.

HomePlate provides organized activities for youth to participate, e.g. Timber soccer games, coast trips and movies. Outreach workers consider themselves resource brokers, working to connect youth to resources even after they age out and include employment coaching to help youth obtain jobs or internships and provide internal employment opportunities (e.g. Sit 'n Stay and HomePerk) for youth to gain customer service skills and experience. They currently have two drop-in locations, one in Beaverton (located near the Beaverton Public Library) open Monday, 6:00pm-8:00pm and Tuesday 2:00pm-5:00pm and the other in Hillsboro (5th & Main), open Thursday, 6:00pm-8:00pm. They are looking at extending services to a Wednesday drop-in time as well.

Jeanne-Marie and Nicole are outreach workers at Luke-Dorf, Inc. and work as a 2-person team to cover the entire Washington County area. Jeanne-Marie's position is supported through a PATH Grant, while Nicole's position is funded through ESG/EHA. The funding mechanisms limit the populations they serve to literally homeless, chronically homeless and those with severe mental illness (does not include those doubled-up, couch surfing or staying with a friend). They are not restricted to just working with Luke-Dorf clients or those bridging to Luke-Dorf. Services provided include street outreach and street in-reach to Open Door Counseling Center, Comfort Zone, HomePlate and National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). They conduct Community Connect mobile screening and assessments, referring clients to partner agencies for housing and supportive services. They work primarily with Safe Haven and Hartner House (residential housing programs related to mental health needs), but also work with the Recovery Association Project (RAP) and Shelter Plus Care. Their outreach approach is to build relationships and trust through multiple conversations and connections (provide a listening ear) with the idea they could better gauge the services and/or supports clients need if they got to know them better. Through the PATH Program, Jeanne-Marie provides case management and an informal mental health assessment to clients willing to engage in mental health services. With her background in sexual and domestic violence she also provides crisis counseling to those with whom she is already engaged, with the end goal of bridging clients to services as quickly as possible. She has recently added a Rent Well course to her list of available services. Two additional Peer Support Specialist positions are being added to the outreach team, filled with people who have lived experiences of homelessness, mental illness and/or

addiction. Those positions will work at the Luke-Dorf Day Center and/or Comfort Zone (corner of 1st and Walnut) and be available for outreach as well.

DAVS primarily serves veterans, those with disabilities or are over aged 65 and who are homeless or at imminent risk.

Questions & Answers:

How do you respond to phone calls about a homeless camp in the area?

They request that either the property owner or an agency representative join them when visiting the camp to help locate the camp, prevent/avoid trespass issues and to provide a safe environment in which to engage with homeless and provide outreach. Generally, youth don't tend to be in homeless camps, so HomePlate does not provide outreach there but will if they know of a youth who is residing there.

Will you be visiting the Severe Weather Shelters again this year?

Yes, Luke-Dorf outreach will be visiting shelters, but will specifically look for those individuals who are withdrawn, reluctant to engage with shelter staff, or not advocating for themselves or their needs. They are also hoping to schedule walk-in hours for the next morning at an adjacent facility (separate but within close proximity of the shelter) to provide additional assistance and resources during business hours and are currently looking for a site. Once locations are identified, a schedule will be released with locations, dates and times of Luke-Dorf outreach staff availability. Specifically for the PATH Program, Jeanne-Marie will also be attempting to engage with people who have been excluded from the shelter or are not accessing the shelter.

At what point does Community Connect/housing services enter in the conversation?

When individuals are at a point of being agreeable to signing the ROI, their information is entered into HMIS and the Community Connect screening and assessment process would begin and completed over time. In getting to know the individual, they look ahead to see what services will realistically be available, given their situation and find it extremely important to maintain 2-way communication with the agency to which they refer clients. When they don't hear anything from agencies one way or another, it erodes any trust they have established with the client. They also have clients complete the project-based voucher application to get them on the list as soon as possible, listing the outreach worker as the contact. With their limited capacity they try to focus on the most vulnerable individuals who have been homeless the longest and refer others to Community Connect.

Do you map camps or hot spots where homeless tend to congregate?

They record where they have been, where they find RV's and areas where homeless do not congregate for future reference. HomePlate has established youth congregation areas such as transit centers and parks, but also use the youth as a resource for other places they might know about where youth congregate.

Angel Prater, FolkTime

"Intentional Peer Support (IPS) Training and Services"

FolkTime is one of the oldest social and consumer-run organizations in Oregon connecting individuals with shared experiences through peer support, mentorship, and advocacy. Their social programs provide independent adults, 18 years or older and living with mental illness, an opportunity to come together and create a supportive and safe atmosphere to talk about daily challenges, learn social skills, build community and refrain from isolation. Social programs are currently available in Clackamas and Multnomah Counties, but they are looking to expand into Washington County as well. They collaborate/partner with agencies to provide 1:1 peer support and recovery mentors for individuals across all three counties. Currently, they work with Sequoia Mental Health, Luke-Dorf, Hawthorn Center in Washington County and Mental Health Court. They also provide Intentional Peer Support (IPS) training, offering certifications for Oregon Health Authority Traditional Health Worker

Peer Support Specialist (**PSS**) and Addiction Counselor Certification Board of Oregon (ACCBO) Certified Recovery Mentor (**CRM**). Their training program also offers 40 Continuing Education Units (CEU). They hope to continue to expand their training and peer support supervision. For more information, contact Angel at aprater@folktime.org.

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Approve the August 1, 2018 HSSN meeting minutes.

Action: Katherine Galian

Second: Gordon Teifel

Vote: Approved, unanimous.

V. REPORTS AND PROGRAM UPDATES

Children (Homeless Education Network): *Bill Garcia-Gomez* garciaa@hsd.k12.or.us

Bill reported Alma Hernandez, Homeless Student Liaison, had transitioned out of Hillsboro into Beaverton School District. The group has submitted their report for a sub-grant last week and will continue with the sub-grant program this year.

Next Meeting: To be announced.

Youth: *Drew Williamson* dwilliamson@boysandgirlsaid.org

No report.

Next Meeting: September 10 at SafePlace Shelter

Homelessness: *Pat Rogers* progers@caowash.org

Pat reported the next meeting will be a PIT planning meeting and include brainstorming of tasks required and assigning people to those tasks. He encouraged all to attend.

Next Meeting: September 17, 2018 at 9:00am, 3700 SW Murray Blvd, Rm 195, Beaverton

Permanent Housing: *Jeff Salvon* jsalvon@beavertonoregon.gov

No report.

DD Dialogue: *Gordon Teifel* dearinc@me.com

Gordon announced upcoming fundraisers and conferences.

Mental Health and Special Needs Community Consortium Steering Committee:

Annette Evans Annette_evans@co.washington.or.us

Annette reported the group will reconvene in November.

Next Meeting: To be announced.

Veterans: *Gary Smith* gareth.smith@va.gov

Gary reported the group continues to meet to update the "By Name List" of homeless veterans and work on other veteran homeless issues.

Next Meeting: September 17 at 10:30am, 3700 SW Murray Boulevard, Room 195

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

Yvette reported it was Medicare's open enrollment period and Washington County's Disability Aging and Veteran Services (DAVS) are providing Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA) peer support volunteers to assist seniors with Medicare options.

Anti-Poverty Workgroup: *Katherine Galian* kgalian@caowash.org

The group will reconvene at the end of this month.

Next Meeting: To be announced.

Community Connect Oversight Committee: *Annette Evans*

Annette_evans@co.washington.or.us

The group will meet to review assessment questions. The current policy and existing assessment questions will be submitted with the HUD grant application in September. She invited all to attend.

Next Meeting: November 16, 2018 at 10:00am, 111 NE Lincoln Street, Room 258, Hillsboro.

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) – LSA 10/1/17 to 9/30/18: *Annette Evans*

Annette_evans@co.washington.or.us

The Longitudinal Statistical Analysis (LSA) will replace the Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR). HUD just released their vendor specifications for HMIS to implement the LSA. HUD uses the LSA data analysis to prepare a report to Congress. The data analysis captures shelter, transitional and permanent housing program data for the federal fiscal year October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018. Annette stressed HMIS data accuracy and quality was extremely important. Kristy Eckhardt reported she has been running weekly reports and working with agencies to fix errors and clean up data over the past month and encouraged agencies to run their own HMIS Annual Performance Report's (APR) as well.

Strategic Planning and Discharge Workgroup: *Annette Evans*

Annette_evans@co.washington.or.us

The Workgroup met August 10 to rank and rate the projects included in the CoC grant application, the results of which were shared with the HSSN. The next meeting will include a review of the 2018 Homeless Assessment Report (Year 10): Summary of Outcomes and Challenges.

Next Meeting: October 5, 2018 at 8:30am, 111 NE Lincoln Street, Room 258, Hillsboro

Homeless Plan Advisory Committee (HPAC): *Annette Evans*

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Komi Kalevor will be presenting the 2018 Homeless Assessment Report (Year 10): Summary of Outcomes and Challenges at the October meeting in Annette's absence.

Next Meeting: October 18, 2018 at 2:30pm, 3700 Murray Boulevard, Room 195, Beaverton

VI. GENERAL BUSINESS

FY2018 CoC Consolidated Grant Application – Annette Evans

Annette reported the FY2018 CoC Consolidated Grant Application for \$3,858,293 is due September 18. The application is posted online and the HSSN is invited to review and provide public comment prior to the application submission on September 14.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Angel Prater announced a FolkTime fundraiser at the Helium Comedy Club on October 10; 7-8:30pm.
- Gordon Teifel announced Daytime Enrichment Activities and Recreation's (DEAR) food fundraiser at Elmer's Pancake House near Cornell Oaks in Hillsboro on September 18 from 7:00am to 9pm. 10%-20% of gross sales will go to DEAR. The Edward Center, Inc. is holding their annual luncheon fundraiser at the Multnomah Athletic Club (MAC) on October 11 from 12:00pm-1pm. Patricia Reser will be the guest speaker. United Cerebral Palsy of Oregon and SW Washington (UCP) are holding a conference in Portland on October 19 and 20. The conference is open to families as well as professionals, who can receive in-service hours.
- Rick Stoller announced Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon's Second Home Celebration Gala on Thursday, September 13; 6:00 to 8:00pm.

- Megan Cohen announced City of Beaverton was hosting Family Promise of Beaverton on September 16 through 22 and were still looking for volunteers. The City of Beaverton is exploring a Safe Parking Program and were looking for an organization/individual to help with case management, intake and logistics. She encouraged anyone interested to contact her directly. They will be hosting informational meetings as they go forward.
- Rowie Taylor of DVRC announced October was Domestic Violence Awareness month and she will be sharing information on ways to participate through the listserv.
- Carol Herron of Just Compassion of East Washington County announced the Executive Director and Beaverton Shelter Coordinator positions had closed but encouraged members to continue to refer qualified individuals for either position to her via email.
- Annette announced Severe Weather Shelter information will be included at the October HSSN meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

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

Handouts:

- Homeless Outreach Presentation Handout
- Folktime Intentional Peer Support Presentation
- SAVE THE DATE-Mental Health at the Mic, FolkTime, & Peer Wellness and Work Initiative at the Helium Comedy Club-October 10; 7-8:30pm
- Invitation: Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon's Second Home Celebration Gala-September 13; 6-8pm

To be added to the HSSN email list, contact Annette Evans at Annette_Evans@co.washington.or.us

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