HOUSING and SUPPORTIVE SERVICES NETWORK (HSSN)
CoC Board
Friday, June 9, 2023 - 8:30 to 10:00 am

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AGENDA

HSSN Chair: Katherine Galian
HSSN Co-Chair: Charlie Voss-Flowers

I.   Introductions and Agency Announcements (8:30 a.m.)
         Roll call – CoC Board Members

II.   Public Comment (8:35 a.m.)

III.   Minutes (8:40 a.m.)
         Board Action: *Approve CoC Board meeting minutes for April 14, 2023.*

IV.   Business Items (8:45 a.m.)

         A) CoC Project Rating and Ranking Policy – Katherine Galian/Kris Smock
              Board Action: *Approve changes to CoC Program Application Rating and Ranking Process document.*

         B) Community Connect Updates – Kisa Quanbeck

         C) MAC G/LC3 Update – DeAnna Negrete

         D) Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) – Katherine Galian

         E) One Governance Update – Vernon Baker, Transition Advisory Group (TAG)

         F) Time, Place, Manner – Katherine Galian, Mandy Gawf, Kim Ezell, Megan Cohen

         G) CoC Governance – Katherine Galian
              Board Action: *Approve extension of terms for positions expiring June 30, 2023 until new governance structure is in place.*

V.   Adjournment (10:00 a.m.)

Future Meeting Schedule:
- TBD - July Special Meeting
- Friday, August 11, 2023; 8:30am – 9:55am
- Friday, October 13, 2023; 8:30am – 9:55am
- Friday, December 8, 2023; 8:30am – 9:55am

The CoC Board meeting is open to the public, with the agenda online. Please direct comments to Vara Fellger.

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CoC Board Meeting
April 14, 2023, 9:00 a.m. (Virtual Meeting via Zoom)

COC BOARD MEMBER PRESENT
- Baker, Vernon – Just Compassion EWC
- Cardwell, Shawn – Forest Grove Foundation
- Cohen, Megan – City of Beaverton
- Downen, Lindsay – New Narrative
- DSouza, Deanna – Worksystems, Inc.
- Ezell, Kim – City of Tigard
- Galian, Katherine – WC Housing Services
- Grant, Bambi – WC Community Corrections
- Hille, Marcia – Sequoia Mental Health Services
- Kalevor, Komi – Housing Authority of Wash Co
- Logan-Sanders, Andrea – Boys & Girls Aid
- Pero, David – HEN/McKinney-Vento Liaison
- Smith, Gary – US Dept. of Veteran Affairs
- Studer, Hannah – Bridges to Change
- Taylor, Rowie – DVRC
- Teifel, Gordon – Families for Ind. Living/DEAR
- Thomas, Lauren – WC Office of Comm. Dev.
- Voss-Flowers, Charlie – CPAH

COC BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT
- Calvin, Mellani – ASSIST Program
- Coppiano, Zoi – Community Action Organization
- Gawf, Mandy – City of Hillsboro
- LeSage, Amy – Cascade AIDS Project
- Lopez, Nansi – Centro Cultural, Latino Policy Council
- Money, Rose – Family Promise of Tualatin
- Peel, Rick – Oregon Law Center
- Rose, Dixie – Providence St. Vincent Hospital/Formerly Homeless Consumer

OTHER ATTENDEES
- Dockery, Katie – WC Housing Services
- Fellger, Vara – WC Housing Services
- Negrete, DeAnna – WC Housing Services
- Smock, Kris – Kristina Smock Consulting
- Zapata, Marissa – Portland State University

HSSN Chair: Katherine Galian, CoC Program Manager
HSSN Co-Chair: Charlie Voss-Flowers, CPAH

Katherine Galian called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

II. PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

III. MINUTES
<u>Action</u>: Approve CoC Board Meeting Minutes for February 10, 2023 and Special Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2023.
<u>Motion</u>: Lauren Thomas
<u>Second</u>: Marcia Hille
<u>Vote</u>: Approved, unanimous.

IV. BUSINESS ITEMS
A. 2023 Homeless Census – Katherine Galian & Dr. Marissa Zapata, PSU
Dr. Marissa Zapata reported the 2023 Point-In-Time (PIT) count was a regional collaboration for the very first time (Washington, Clackamas, Multnomah). All three counties took the training together at Portland State University, the *Counting Us* app previously used by Washington County was used for the regional count this year and the team is now involved with a regional de-duplication of the data. New for Washington and Clackamas counties this year was that individuals who were either on an outreach caseload or coordinated entry list were added to the final count. A comprehensive regional report will be published as well as in Tableau form with disaggregated data by continuum but will also look at the collective data to understand the region as a whole. The Washington County count included 100 enumerators that covered five regions (Central Beaverton, Hillsboro, North Beaverton, South County, West County) where 264 interviews were conducted. Preliminary 2023 PIT data reflects a lower overall count compared to 2022, even with the addition of those on an outreach caseload, or with a service

transaction in Community Connect, with 591 households (793 individuals) in temporary housing or unsheltered. Looking at the unsheltered homeless data year over year, the number of individuals who identified as chronically homeless decreased from 99 to 78 and the veteran population increased from 15 to 17 individuals. A majority of the unsheltered were white middle-aged or older, males that had been homeless for a year or more. The trend continued with more individuals in shelter (556) than unsheltered (172) which is a reflection of the increased housing and shelter capacity over the past few years.

Board members agreed street outreach and coordinated entry data should be included in the PIT count submission to HUD once it has been de-duplicated with regional data.

Action: Approve 2023 PIT/HIC data for submittal to HUD.
Motion: Marcia Hille
Second: Lindsay Downen
Vote: Approved, unanimous.

Lindsay Downen inquired as to those locations that fell into the "Other" category.
The app did require a response for those in the "Other" category, and it was places such as" a garage," "in a shed," or some other place not meant for human habitation.

Andrea Logan-Sanders wondered if the transitional housing category included SHS programs like Rapid Rehousing and HCMS.
Those programs are not considered transitional housing but rather permanent housing. The PIT count includes only those who are literally homeless.

Lindsay Downen suggested having the unsheltered and sheltered data broken out further to show how it related to transitional housing and permanent supportive housing (PSH) and to understand the full continuum of need for the population and what that distribution looks like. She also suggested it would be good to see if the data could show if there is alignment with the funds that are distributed to those programs.
Katherine stated the Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) contains some of this data but will bring this topic back for discussion at the next meeting.

Lindsay Downen inquired whether the regional PIT count data could be made available.
Dr. Zapata noted the comprehensive report will include all the regional data as well as the county data.

Megan Cohen shared cities would like to have their own PIT data as well. She also asked for guidance on how to explain the data showing reduced numbers of unsheltered individuals as compared to the reality of the numbers of people on the street.
Explanations will be included in the comprehensive report outlining reasons for the change in data. Dr. Zapata added that the mapping indicates where people were surveyed which does not necessarily represent where people were sleeping that night.

Katherine shared the best understanding of our unsheltered count at the city level will come from the work of the LC3 which DeAnna Negrete will cover in more detail later in the meeting.

Marcia Hille inquired if percentages of race were representative of the population within the county.
This information will be included in the comprehensive report in addition to showing poverty levels by race alongside the percentage of race in the PIT count.

B. HUD Grant Rating and Ranking Update – Kris Smock

Kris explained the HUD application includes both new and renewing projects that are ranked by the CoC Board prior to submission. The rating criteria for projects submitted are to be transparent and objective, reflect local priorities that align with HUD guidelines, are focused on the highest priority for the local system of care, and include the highest performing projects that are best suited to this particular funding source. Funding is placed into two tiers. Tier 1 includes about 95% of the amount needed to fully fund renewal projects. Projects in this tier are based on their ranking with the likelihood of being funded. Tier 2 includes the remaining funding the CoC is eligible to apply for and are dependent upon the CoC Consolidated application score and the project rank. The CoC Board will assess projects up for reallocation to determine their eligibility for continued funding. Lower performing projects may have their funding reallocated to new projects that aim to reduce homelessness or address an underserved population. The project rating criteria is being updated to add clarity and language. It will also include the indicator being scored, data sources and calculation methods to increase transparency and replicability. These changes will also create a better alignment with local and HUD priorities within each funding cycle. Two new equity measures are being proposed to align with HUDs new expectation that will ensure program participant outcomes are viewed with an equity lens that will include disaggregation of data by race and ethnicity.

There was general agreement that the addition of the equity measure requirement by HUD work well with the data they are already collecting and will be useful to their organizations.

Kris reviewed the additional proposed changes for new project applications to include a measure to ensure alignment with funding priorities relating to local priorities and those outlined by HUD. This will provide a way to rank the new project applications based on how well they reflect local priorities. Also, the addition of a criteria to the new project scoring allowing for bonus-funded projects, removing the requirement that new project organizations be actively involved in the CoC to apply for funding. This removes barriers allowing organizations not currently participating in the CoC to apply but would require participation in the CoC if funded. Kris asked the board to review the proposed changes and bring any edits or questions to the June meeting where a vote will be taken. For more information or questions, contact Kris Smock at kris@kristinasmockconsulting.com.

C. FY2022 HUD Grant Announcement – Katherine Galian

Katherine announced the 2022 HUD grant application for Washington County had been fully funded, including a bonus project. The county scored 169.25 out of a possible 200 points which is on the higher end of all CoC scores in the nation. In the next couple of weeks an "Intent to Renew" will be sent to HUD and a list of all the projects that were funded will be sent to the CoC Board.

D. MAC G Sub Committee Update – Katherine Galian/DeAnna Negrete

Governor Kotek's emergency order on homelessness required a multi-agency coordinating group (MAC G) be established as a subgroup of the CoC Board who will provide oversight over the work that is to be conducted through local coordinating command centers (LC3). The plan submitted to the state was accepted with revisions to the allocations for an approved total of $7.9 million. Homeless prevention funding across the state was re-allocated and will now flow through the ORE-DAP Program and administered by the Community Action network. Funding will be split between 2 biennia with $2.1 million of the approved $7.9 million to be distributed through June 30 (21-23) and the remaining $5.8 to be available July 1 (23-25).

DeAnna Negrete explained the LC3 process was modeled after the City of Seattle, having concentrated areas and focusing on outreach and case conferencing using ByName lists. The LC3 will also provide intensive case management for those on the list to address any larger system barriers preventing people from moving into housing. There are about 20 locations that have been identified to date which the MAC G will prioritize in order of implementation.

DeAnna D'Souza inquired whether the prevention allocation that is going to Community Action will be available through coordinated entry.
These funds will be run through the ORE-DAP program and not through coordinated entry.

V. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Michelle Rubio.