

Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance

CoC Performance and Evaluation Committee

Tuesday, March 2, 2021 | 3 pm-4:30 pm

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Introductions

Carla welcomed the group and introductions were made.

2. Consent Agenda and Standing Items

Julie made a motion to approve February's meeting minutes. Nichole seconded the motion. All PE members expressed approval, except for Michael Livingston who "abstained." Motion passed.

3. CoC-Funded Project Evaluation: Center for Hope and Safety

The CoC has three CoC-funded projects to review and evaluate performance using board-approved local application scorecards and projects' Annual Performance Reports (APRs). The PE Committee requested Center for Hope and Safety join the meeting to conduct a project performance monitoring review.

Center for Hope and Safety (CHS) has been providing services to victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking for more than 47 years. To date, CHS provided more than 158,000 nights of shelter to more than 16,000 children, women, and men. Domestic violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and children.

Key Take-Aways:

- CHS operates a domestic violence (DV) rapid rehousing (RRH) project, implementing the evidence-based "DV Housing First" model and serving HUD category 4 homeless individuals. CHS operates a 20-bed shelter and utilize motel rooms when shelter beds are at capacity. (Units represent households and beds represent individuals.)
- Successful in developing an advocacy team—60% of which are bicultural and bilingual in Spanish—in their short time as a CoC-funded project.
- Successfully drawn down all funds awarded for the previous year.
- Met and **exceeded** bed utilization goal: achieving a 122.5% bed utilization rate.
- Total number of persons served was 57; 38 of which were children under the age of 18. None served were identified to be chronically homeless.
- All "stayers" were split between two programs due to it being a new program which limits "leavers." "Stayers" are staying longer due to lack of income/employment, COVID, and lack of housing availability.
- Online learning has increased need for childcare which has negatively affected employment. Childcare need remains unmet.
- Project staff attended "Rent Well Tenant Education Program" and are starting to offer Rent Well courses this month.

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Major barriers: Individuals living with significant mental health issues do not regularly have resources needed; access to substance use resources are still needed despite improvement made in the community.

CoC Technical Assistance Needs

- Help provide guidance on serving those with severe mental health issues.
- Explore ways to increase access to employment.

4. System Performance Evaluation – Review CoC metrics submitted to HUD

Carla screen-shared the system performance measures (SPM)s submitted to HUD yesterday, March 1, for FY 2020. These will be analyzed at the next PE committee meeting. A suggestion was made to carve out an hour at least, for SPMs. The group discussed scheduling a separate meeting for the site visit with MWVCAA, or to extend the meeting in April to allow sufficient time to accomplish both CoC-funded project monitoring and system performance evaluation. **The group agreed to meet at 2:30pm.**

5. Updates and Follow Up

- Dan mentioned several legislative bills are up for funding that affect housing and homeless services systems
- OHCS received a large grant to support providing rental assistance
- Schedule an onboarding meeting for new PE Committee members

Meeting adjourned at 4:36pm.

PE Committee Members and Attendance (10)

Dan Clem , Chair, Union Gospel Mission	X	Michael Livingston , CANDO neighborhood Assn	X
Julie Conn-Johnson , SKSD MVP Program	X	Margie Lowe , Marion-Polk Early Learning Hub	X
Nichole Dickey , Catholic Community Services	X	Lisa Trauernicht , Marion County BOC	E
Shawnn Hartley , OHCS	X	Aryn Walker , Marion County HHS	E
Dede Hazzard , UGM Simonka House	X	Staff:	
Christine Lewis , PacificSource	X	Carla Munns , Consultant MWVHA	X
Guests			
Jayne Downing- Center for Hope and Safety		Sara Brennan- CHS Operations Manager	
Leah DeVito- CHS Housing Advocate		Tara Stephen-CHS Housing Supervisor	
Kim Carbaugh -CHS Housing Advocate			

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