

# Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance

## CoC Performance and Evaluation Committee

Tuesday, December 1, 2020 | 3 pm-4:30 pm

### MINUTES

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Dan Clem, Chair

Welcome and introductions; please RSVP for PE Committee meetings to ensure quorum. Ryan Gail is no longer employed with Catholic Community Services and will no longer be a member of PE Committee at this time.

#### 2. Standing Items

The final copy of the PE Committee Performance Monitoring and Review Processes was included in meeting materials. Shawnn made a motion to approve the November meeting Minutes. Lisa seconded the motion. No discussion was needed. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. ESG CV-2 Collaborative Application

Jan Calvin, contracted staff with the Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance, joined the committee to provide an overview of the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) COVID-2 (CARES Act) funding opportunity. OHCS released a \$5.5m local RFP for Marion and Polk counties. Partners throughout the homeless and housing services system met several times and agreed to create and submit a collaborative application with various projects into one funding request. Jan screen-shared a scoring criteria tool for evaluating applications, including: requirements and compliance criteria (such as mandatory use of HMIS and Coordinated Entry, appropriate budget end-date, compliance with eligible costs and expenditure milestones, etc.) and scored criteria (such as organization experience in operating service(s), organization experience serving the population(s), contribution toward system performance measures, COVID-focus, use of Housing First approaches, feasibility to strengthen the region's shelter system, cultural-responsiveness, advancement of MWVHA strategic plan goals, reasonability of costs, and level of system development across the continuum.

The next joint meeting for local is December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11am-12:30pm. Jan noted 12-14 project applications are expected to be submitted for inclusion in the large, collaborative application. It is likely that projects submitted will not be screened out and will need only to be reviewed in-depth, identify areas for improvement and alignment, and scored. Utilization of the Review and Ranking Sub-Committee to review and evaluate project applications was discussed. Members each responded and expressed agreement for the Review and Ranking Subcommittee to convene, review, and provide feedback on applications as a neutral body for the region. The time commitment would include approximately four hours to meet, plus reviewing and scoring applications in advance. Since this is optional and not part of the annual NOFA process, the board does not have to approve members prior to meeting.

A motion was made by Michael to recommend the Review and Ranking Subcommittee review and evaluate projects submitted for inclusion in the CoC's Collaborative Application for ESG CV-2 funds. Lisa seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Currently board-approved Review and Ranking Subcommittee members are: Dede/Dan, Ryan Gail, Michael Livingston, Christine Lewis, and Lisa Trauernicht. Ryan Gail resigned from the PE Committee. Dan, Dede, Julie Conn-Johnson, Michael, Lisa, and Christine (via email) were all asked to participate in the Review and Ranking Subcommittee and commit to reviewing and evaluating project applications. All expressed a commitment and scheduled a project review session for December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 1pm-4pm.

#### **4. CoC System Performance Monitoring**

Review system performance measures for the Continuum of Care.

Hunter led the committee through current system performance data with comparison data from the previous year. In summary:

1. Region is **not** reducing the length of time persons are in homeless service program.  
Analysis: COVID has affected numbers. Some programs now request members stay in a program for 18 months.
2. Exits from emergency shelter looks good. More people are exiting into positive housing placement.  
Analysis: Remember that RRH is included in PSH.
3. There has not been much reduction the number of persons homeless, but the measure only looks at number of persons accessing emergency services. Ideally, this number would go down because more persons are housed in permanent housing, but when UGM joins HMIS, we expect these numbers to increase.
4. Some numbers are trending negatively from the prior year which is of concern.
5. There has been a reduction in number of people showing up for services for the first time.  
Analysis: ARCHES has a very robust prevention/diversion program which is shown in these data.

#### **5. Updates: Board, CoC Committee Updates, Other Updates and Follow Up**

- Simonka House is conducting modified groups due to COVID. Volunteers are not coming in. School is going well for kids, but they are getting fatigued.
- Two new Oxford Houses opened up. Simonka is working through barriers with women to case manage and wrap support around. Some women are falling through gaps in services due to eligibility restrictions among various programs, specifically: seniors, women with mental health issues, don't score "high enough" in complexity, moms with kids, etc.
- SKSD MVP moving along as well as it can, less enrollment due to less contact with children.
- ESG-CV2 RFA has been released. Make sure to review language and requirements for funding for case management. Project Turnkey is up and running.
- Carla screen-shared the MWVHA Fast Facts document and provided the link.
- Marion County continues to respond to rising number of COVID-19 cases; Marion County just passed 9,500 cases and 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of those were in November.
- UGM- rapid COVID tests available at the shelter now. UGM is taking new UGM has extra cold weather clothing and gear available.

Dan adjourned the meeting at 4:44pm.

PE Committee Attendees

<b>Dan Clem</b> , Chair, Union Gospel Mission	x	<b>Michael Livingston</b> , CANDO neighborhood Assn	x
<b>Aryn Walker</b> , Marion County HHS	x	<b>Shawnn Hartley</b> , OHCS	x
<b>Christine Lewis</b> , PacificSource			
<b>Dede Hazzard</b> , UGM Simonka House	x		
<b>Julie Conn-Johnson</b> , SKSD MVP Program	x	<b>Staff:</b>	
<b>Lisa Trauernicht</b> , Marion County BOC	x	<b>Carla Munns</b> , Consultant MWWHA	x
<b>Guests</b>			
Jan Calvin, MWWHA		Hunter Belgard, OHCS	