



## Youth and Young Adult (Sub)Committee Meeting

*Ending Youth Homelessness  
in the Mid-Willamette Valley*

Friday, December 18, 2020 | 9:30am - 11am

### MINUTES

#### A. Welcome and Introductions:

- ⇒ Tricia Frizzell; Carla Munns; Mary Heite; Shanta Frisbee (HOST); Debbie Aguilar; Matt Rasmussen; Laurie Shaw-Casarez; Moises Ramos; Laura Reid (Keizer City Councilor and McNary teacher); Hailey; Julie Conn-Johnson

#### B. Committee Administration:

- ⇒ **New name!** The “Challenge to End Youth Homelessness Core Team” is now the “Youth and Young Adult Subcommittee, approved by the CoC Collaborative Committee as a CoC subcommittee, at the Wednesday, 12/16/20, meeting.
- ⇒ Meeting Minutes: Shanta Frisbee made the motion to approve Meeting Minutes from November. Mary Heite seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- ⇒ Meeting Schedule: the group discussed the meeting schedule moving forward. Those present agreed to keep meeting on the third Fridays from 9:30-11am.

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#### C. GOAL 1: Youth-Focused Coordinated Entry System

- ⇒ HOST will continue to use TAY to assure behavioral health concerns are identified. Shanta stated her staff inputs data into HMIS but more information is needed to understand how TAY integrates with HMIS and Coordinated Entry.
- ⇒ A special meeting of this subcommittee met on 12/7/20 to review and decide on a youth assessment tool. The group selected the TAY-VI-SPDAT assessment tool for coordinated outreach.
- ⇒ Tricia screen-shared the CoC-approved HMIS document. Debbie questioned how runaway youth may be addressed in the system and with direct service providers. Tricia requested members look over CE System Evaluation Report created by Laurie; Tricia asked the group to review pertinent youth sections and come prepared to discuss how to address youth sections, assuring guidelines from HUD are incorporated, and delivery for youth is appropriate at next month’s meeting.

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#### D. GOAL 5: Advocate Funding Decisions for Youth Homelessness

- ⇒ Upcoming Youth Housing Funds:
    - DASH Act - housing for children and families, including youth and young adults, is coming through legislation but is just conceptual right now.
    - OHCS pilot – keep an eye out for an OHCS long term rental assistance pilot for youth at risk of experiencing homelessness, including those aging out of foster care. The Governor’s 12/1/2020 recommended budget included \$4.5 million for this pilot.
  - ⇒ Emergency Solutions Grant-Covid-19 2<sup>nd</sup> round (ESG-CV2) funding opportunity (\$5.5m)
    - A Collaborative Application is being drafted for partners in Marion and Polk to submit by the end of this month. Ten agencies put forward applications for inclusion. The CoC is compiling applications into one large Collaborative Application for submission to OHCS.
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## E. GOAL 4: Improve Local Youth Data

- ⇒ Point-In-Time (PIT) Count: January 26<sup>th</sup> 2021
    - Volunteers are needed for January 26<sup>th</sup>, January 27<sup>th</sup> and January 30<sup>th</sup>.
    - Events to engage youth include: offering free drink at Dutch Bros locations; potentially a chili feed at/sponsored by Taylors House; and ideas for pop up events with Pepsi, Bentleys, Java Crew, etc.
    - PIT Count Workgroup/planning team is meeting each Monday in January leading up to the Count, from 11am-12pm via Zoom.
    - The 12/14 PIT Count Workgroup meeting discussed a great idea to apply for CARES funding from the City of Salem for a food truck as an incentive event for taking the survey.
  
  - ⇒ Statewide Assessment Update – Matt provided a brief update that meetings will take place beginning in January to plan the assessment.
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## F. Partner and Agency Updates

### Updates:

- Debbie Aguilar stated they have extra toys to deliver. Please contact Debbie and she can get toys to youth. Matt noted the Marion County Community Resource Network is a good resource to post available items and request needed items.
- Debbie stated they are continuing to work with the Salem-Keizer School District and Superintendent Perry to determine duties and potential roles of Student Resource Officers. No contracts have been signed yet; exploring successes from other programs like the Gladiator Program.
- Matt mentioned the state is talking internally and with the Homeless Youth Advisory Council to establish a process for sheltered minors needing isolation and quarantine, both for youth “in the system” and those not in the system.
- HOST still accepting applications and available space. Outreach teams still going out trying to connect with younger adults to let them know resources are available.
- Availability remains at Taylor’s House for youth.