Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance

Youth and Young Adult Subcommittee Meeting

Friday, November 19, 2021 I 9:30am - 11am

ZOOM: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88380935385

MEETING MINUTES

A. Introductions and Win Wall! Share a "win" (or two) of successes, kudos, and/or partner spotlights

- Derek Wentorf- CSH – additional housing vouchers were secured in San Francisco
- Marianne Bradshaw- Willamette University –joining for the first time
- Janet Carlson—personal
- Tim Murphy—Bridgeway received a planning grant for youth homelessness and is looking forward to working together
- Phil Blea—Marion County is back to providing mental health services in the school districts
- Julie Conn-Johnson—SKSD MVP program has seen higher numbers of enrollment than last year and Julie gave a kudos to all of the MVP liaisons who work tirelessly to serve our youth!
- Laurie Shaw-Casarez—City of Salem awarded $5k to Backbone to support YAB participation and reduce barriers for participation
- Patrick McDermott—HOST is adding more clients to case management load
- Amber Kaatz—Silver Falls School District staff; excited to have two full time social workers for the district
- Phil Chen—first time joining
- Jesse Lippold-Peone—CoC approved a diversity and inclusion subcommittee to integrate voices of lived experience that he will be chairing
- Heather Pascoe—first year for youth advisory group in System of Care; new grant will be released soon focused on engaging parents as well as youth
- Jan Calvin—CoC board approved adding two board members for individuals with lived experience
- Carol Mc Kiel—Central School District hired a new MVP liaison; Monmouth City Council identified homelessness as the top priority for the city
- Shanta Frisbee—resource center grand opening is happening in December
- Kayla Burdine-Rea
- Carla Munns—will be participating in YYA as a community partner after today; the wins expressed are a win!

B. Committee Administration

- Meeting minutes: Jesse made a motion to approve the October Meeting Minutes. Tim seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.
- YHDP Overview document: was distributed with meeting materials, however, an updated version was shared and is on the website. Please feel free to distribute broadly.
- Revisit YYA Goals: the YYA Subcommittee's goals were carried over and adopted from the Challenge to End Youth Homelessness initiative's goals. Carla and Tricia presented the idea of adding a new goal to highlight supporting and promoting youth voices and youth leadership. Heather supported including a sixth goal to support youth advisory groups. Heather recommended language to support youth leadership groups and coordinate with other groups.

Tricia noted it made sense to pull out as a separate goal, especially to show the prioritization of youth voices in YYA Subcommittee and CoC work.

- The group agreed to bringing back draft language to the next meeting for approval.

C. Youth and Young Adult Collective Goal Focus

GOAL 4: Improve Local Youth Data

⇒ Statewide Youth Assessment Data

- Derek Wentorf joined the meeting from CSH, the national technical assistance provider for the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP), and the consulting partner that led the Statewide Youth Assessment for Oregon. Derek provided an overview of the Statewide Youth Assessment Data

GOAL 2: Expand Youth Outreach

⇒ **Input requested:** Youth Action Board legal implications of having minors (under 18) on the same board with 18-25 years olds- seeking input from partners on how to move forward with minimal risk.

⇒ What training partners can offer the youth leadership groups? Please respond on Basecamp.

⇒ Update: Backbone, the CoC youth action board, has been meeting twice a month on the first and third Mondays. Backbone is approving a membership application and approval process for new members to officially apply to join.

⇒ Update: Youth ERA and System of Care youth advisory group has been meeting and has been very successful so far at increasing engagement. Pacificsource will be issuing an RFP soon to create an advisory group for parents of youth in System of Care.

GOAL 5: Advocate Funding Decisions for Youth Homelessness

⇒ Youth Homeless Demonstration Project (YHDP)

- Coordinated Community Plan
- Stakeholder lists: subcommittee group work – see stakeholders list (link sent in email)
- Identify sector meetings already in place that CCP work could take place
- Interest in YHDP teams
- Identify known gaps in services and needs

GOAL 1: Youth-Focused Coordinated Entry System

⇒ Update from HOST

⇒ Waiting on ARCHES to train how to pull the list of youth under 25

GOAL 3: Establish Host Homes

⇒ Next Steps?

D. Partner and Agency Updates

E. Follow Up Tasks

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YYA Subcommittee Collective Goals:

1. Develop a Coordinated Entry system for youth that blends into the system for adults.
2. Expand street-level and other forms of community outreach to better engage youth experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.
3. Establish a Host Home program that fits the needs of the Marion-Polk county region.
4. Improve local youth data, starting with the Point In Time (PIT) Count in January 2021.
5. Advocate for the use of and funding for evidence-based practices addressing youth homelessness.

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