MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOMELESS ALLIANCE

Performance and Evaluation Committee
Tuesday, May 3, 2022
MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE		
Member	**Organization**	**Attended**
Chair: Josie Silverman-Mendez	PacificSource	Yes
Chris Berg	Oregon Housing and Community Services	No
Julie Conn-Johnson	SKSD McKinney Vento Program	Yes
Nichole Dickey	Catholic Community Services	No
Dede Hazzard	UGM Simonka Place	Yes
Christine Lewis	PacificSource	Yes
Michael Livingston	CANDO Neighborhood Association	Yes
Margie Lowe	Marion-Polk Early Learning HUB	Yes
Aryn Walker	Marion County Health and Human Services	No
MWVHA Consultant: Lisa Trauernicht		
GUESTS		
Breezy Aguirre	MWVCAA	
Michelle Artman	De Muniz Resource Center	
Sara Brennan	Center for Hope and Safety	
Kayla Burdine-Rea	Sheltering Silverton	
Jan Calvin	MWVHA Consultant	
April Cox	De Muniz Resource Center	
Sam Dompier	Church at the Park	
Elliott Lapinel	MWVCAA	
Kimberly McBeth	Salem Housing Authority	
T.J. Putman	Family Promise	
Tara Stephen	Center for Hope and Safety	
Deborah Thompson	Sable House	
Alisa Tobin	HOME Youth Services, MWVCAA	
Jill Tucker	St. Francis Family Housing	
Lynelle Wilcox	United Way – Safe Sleep	

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
   Josie Silverman-Mendez called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

2. **Committee Administration – Josie Silverman-Mendez**
   - Review and approve April 5, 2022, meeting minutes. Michael Livingston moved to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Dede Hazzard. Minutes approved.
   - July meeting will be rescheduled because of the holiday week. New date to be determined based on results of the Doodle poll.
   - There was a brief update on the YHDP RFP process. The projects will eventually be part of the regular CoC NOFO cycle, and the P&E Committee will be responsible for reviewing projects/programs funded through the YHDP funds. All RFP materials are on the YDHP page of the Alliance's website. Contracts with applicants and HUD should be signed mid-September.

- Hybrid meetings starting in June. Committee members will have the option of meeting in person or via Zoom. Meeting location will be sent out prior to the June meeting.

3. **System Performance Improvement (SPI) Workshop Update**
   Brief update on the HUD SPI workshop that Josie Silverman-Mendez, Lisa Trauernicht, and Elliott Lapinel have been attending. The team is working on determining a project scope and will continue notifying the committee of workshop progress.

4. **ESG-CV- funded Projects Review**
   Josie introduced Jan Calvin, staff consultant and point person on the ESG-CV grants. Jan gave a quick overview of the ESG-CV collaborative grant and introduced the project representatives.

   The table below shows the ESG-CV program types and each organization providing services using the ESG-CV funding.

Street Outreach	**Emergency Shelter** Day Center Warming Hotel/Motel Micro-Shelter Villages Project Turnkey	**Rapid Re-housing**
A Ray of Hope Today! Church at the Park ARCHES HOME Youth Services Salem Housing Authority	A Ray of Hope Today! (Day Center, Warming, Hotel/Motel) Center for Hope & Safety (Mosaic) Church at the Park (Day Center, Warming, Micro-Shelter Villages) Family Promise (Hotel/Motel) ARCHES (Day Center, ARCHES Inn) Sable House (Hotel/Motel) Sheltering Silverton (Day Center, Warming, Hotel/Motel)	Center for Hope & Safety Family Promise ARCHES De Muniz Resource Center Sable House St. Francis Family Housing

   Discussion focused on pre-determined questions presented to the service providers.
   1. By organization, please describe:
      a. Why you chose your "basket of services" for this ESG-CV funding opportunity; and
      b. How your organization utilized this funding to support COVID-19 response efforts.
   2. By Project Type - Our goal as a CoC is to move those experiencing homelessness/housing insecurity into more stable and permanent housing. In support of this goal:
      a. How does your organization connect with other community services/resources to assist clients in moving through the system?
      b. What gaps/challenges exist as it relates to your organization making these connections?

c. What proposed solutions do you have, if any, to addressing these gaps/challenges?
    i. Street Outreach
    ii. Emergency Shelter
    iii. Rapid Re-housing

3. General Question for All Providers - What are the key takeaways from the projects being funded through ESG-CV funds? (e.g., lessons learned, impacts of COVID that we should be aware of going forward)

Comments from Program Participants:

- More pod homes are requested. They have been successful and a good way to get people off the street.
- Landlords are pickier now than they've ever been making it difficult to find housing.
- There is a bigger gap now between going from and emergency shelter into permanent housing.
- It would be great to work on "right to house" laws and have a housing fund like in Section 8 programs to assist with getting people housed.
- Having a housing navigator to help people overcome gaps and challenges is the key to success.
- ARCHES is putting together a team of housing navigators.
- The Psychiatric Crisis Center, Salem Health, and Bridgeway directly connect clients with the Safe Sleep shelter.
- The ESG-CV funding has been a great demonstration project to show what the service system can do.
- Through the ESG-CV programs staff are really connecting with clients to help them get basic resources and needed services.
- Sable House was able to connect with ARCHES to get identification for clients which was great for the program.
- Church at the Park is learning a lot from its micro shelter program and is achieving better outcomes in their day and overnight shelters.
- Rental housing for youth is difficult to find. It costs more to house youth as additional staffing is needed.
- The ESG-CV funding has allowed for moving people from emergency services to longer term support and offer stability to people who are housed.
- Participants have been able to leverage other partners for assistance.
- How organizations work with families to transition through the phases of housing is important.
- Prevention is important and requires community engagement and healthcare engagement.
- JD Health and Wellness is a key health care provider partner. They go to ARCHES twice a week and help with United Gospel Mission clients.
- WVP Health Authority is also a valuable partnership.

- Church at the Park has trained staff to be OHP assisters, and case managers are beginning to be trained in community health work.
- Everyone is getting connected to CE. The ESG-CV funding allowed organizations to do that.

5. **New Business – Updates from Committee Members**
   Michael Livingston presented a motion on a system performance resolution to the committee to consider for approval. Because of the limited time available at the end of the meeting, the motion is being moved to the June 7, 2022, meeting to allow for adequate discussion time.

   Next meeting is June 7 at 3:00 pm. Jan Calvin will give a presentation of the LSA/SPM, HIC, and PIT Count data.

6. **Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 4:32 pm.

Minutes prepared by Lisa Trauernicht, MWVHA staff consultant 5.25.22
Approved by Performance & Evaluation Committee members 6.7.22