

MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOMELESS ALLIANCE

Youth & Young Adults Subcommittee

5/19/23 | 10:00 - 11:30 am

In-person - old DMV building - 2640 Portland Rd NE in Salem

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AGENDA

1. **Introductions & Win Wall** **Alisa Nelson**
2. **Committee Administration** - Minutes of 4/14/23 Meeting
3. **Oregon Alliance Annual Summit recap**
4. **CCP Implementation and YYA Goals**
 - a. **Status Updates (Information)**
 - Youth-focused Coordinated Entry
 - CATP Young Adult Village
 - 2023 PIT Count data
 - b. **Action Items (Decisions)** **Shanta Frisbee**
 - Youth Count – Plans for the fall
 - Outreach – Date for pencil pouch packaging
 - Priorities for the Revised Strategic Plan
5. **Announcements / Other Business / Emerging Issues / Updates**
6. **Next Steps**
 - a. Follow-up tasks
 - b. June Agenda Topics (Charter review, CCP Update, Plans for 2023-24)

[Youth & Young Adults Subcommittee – Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance \(mwwhomelessalliance.org\)](https://mwwhomelessalliance.org)

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The purpose of the Youth and Young Adults (YYA) Subcommittee is to end homelessness for youth in Marion and Polk counties, using the following 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 in communities in the Marion-Polk region.*
4. *Improve local youth data, starting with the Point in Time (PIT) Count in January 2020.*
5. *Advocate for the use of and funding for evidence-based practices addressing youth homelessness.*
6. *Amplify and develop voices of youth & young adults with lived experience by creating opportunities to engage and cultivate leadership.*

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4/14/23 Minutes

PARTICIPANTS

Ashleigh Duda, ARCHES, CE
David Peak, ARCHES, Youth CE
Elene Bunge, Church @ the Park
Sean Robertson, Church @ the Park
Theo Garrison, Church @ the Park
Cassandra
Dana Goodfellow, Polk County FCO
Laurie Shaw- Casarez, City of Salem
Shanta Frisbee, HOST Program
Amanda Foster, HOST Program
Lexi Meyer, HOST Program
Alisa Nelson, HOME Youth Services
Kat Fox, PacificSource Community Solutions
Claire Vogelsaug, Safety Compass
Julie Conn-Johnson, Salem/Keizer Schools
Matt Rasmussen, State YEH Program
Heather Pasco, Willamette Health Council
Jan Calvin, CoC Consultant

INTRODUCTIONS & WIN WALL

Shanta Frisbee opened the meeting. Everyone introduced themselves and shared their wins for the day.

COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATION

Minutes of 3/10/23 meeting approved by consensus.

NATIONAL CONFERENCT HIGHLIGHTS

Shanta attended in Washington, DC, along with 400 people from across the nation. She shared a few highlights:

- Tracks included education, policy, leadership, etc.
- Shanta served as the state captain for Oregon.
- Members of a youth panel each defined the terms “power” and “equity” and gave recommendations on how to support them.
- Met with Wyden and Merkley’s office about appropriations, YHDP, and legislation.
- A state youth advisory board is being considered.

The group discussed how to advance ideas locally. Jan reminded that the YYA Subcommittee has a voice to the Collaborative Committee and to the Alliance board.

CCP IMPLEMENTATION and YYA GOALS

Status Updates (Information)

- **Youth-focused Coordinated Entry**

Alisa announced that David Peak has been hired to coordinate creation of the youth-focused CE project. David said he is looking forward to learning and leading the effort. Backbone has provided input on assessment questions and protocols. **This will be on the YYA Subcommittee agenda in May.**

- **CATP Young Adult Village**

Elene noted that city permits were being completed this week and they were optimistic about opening before June.

- **Response to Governor's Emergency Order**

Jan shared information about newly funded projects, including funding added to implement the CATP Young Adult Village. More information is on the [Alliance website](#).

Action Items (Decisions)

- Host Homes – How to advance?

- There was consensus that, without an agency to take the lead, not much could be done to advance Host Homes.
- It was noted that the State YEH program has funding (proposals due 4/24).
- It was suggested to see if anyone received YEH funding for Host Homes and revisit this in the fall. Then, evaluate what level of coordination is needed to increase the Host Home opportunities.

- Youth Count – Do one in the fall?

- Lexi shared that the Voices of Youth Count (VYC) is similar to the PIT Count, but it is more inclusive of housing options and asks, “is this somewhere you can continue to stay?”
- The organizers recommend planning 12-13 weeks in advance of doing the VYC.
- Should we do this in October?? Lexi suggested we start planning by July 17 and do the count the first week in October. **[confirm at next meeting]**
- Collection would be online, outreach, drop-in centers.
- It was suggested to have a planning tool to help map hot spots.

- Outreach - End of school year outreach efforts and back to school planning

- Shanta and Laurie have been talking about a “couch surfing campaign”
- May 16 event at McKay
- Reaching out to McKinney Vento liaisons
- Participate in the annual family event in August at Salem’s Riverfront Park
- **At the June YYA meeting, pick a date for pencil packet packaging.** Julie will order 2,000 pouches.

- Shelter Beds – Collaboration with churches?

- An idea was raised to collaborate with churches, modeling after the Interfaith Hospitality Network and Polk Warming Shelters. No action was taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 10-12: Oregon Alliance Annual Summit registration almost full, but a few spots remain.
- May 16: Affordable Housing Conference at Salem Conference Center
- National Safe Place Network was mentioned; Alisa, Laurie, and Matt will get information.
- August 24: HOST Parking Lot Party for young adults. Will have a D.J., hot dogs, games, resource tables and give-away items. (11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)

NEXT MEETING:

May 12 [changed to May 19], 10:00-11:30 a.m. Hybrid – In person and on Zoom

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