MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOMELESS ALLIANCE

Youth & Young Adults Subcommittee

February 9, 2024 Minutes

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INTRODUCTIONS & WIN WALL

Marianne opened the meeting, noting that Christopher was out of town and had asked her to facilitate the meeting, since the co-chair elections had been postponed. She invited everyone to introduce themselves and share their wins, which included the following announcements:

EMOS on 3/2 at Salem Public Library
iLEAD on 3/2, 10:00 a.m.-3:45 p.m. at Knudsen Branch of Boys & Girls Club
Marion-Polk Children, Youth, & Family Services Summit on 3/7, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
David's House flyer

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YOUTH HOMELESS IMPROVEMENT (YHSI) GRANT

Jan shared an overview of the YHSI grant application and group members offered suggestions.

ACTIVITY *Dark blue=Primary Focus, Light Blue=Secondary Focus*	**Create & build YAB capacity**	**Collect and use data**	**Develop strong leaders**	**Improve coord, comm, ops & admin**
Youth Needs, Racial & Gender Disparities Study				
Expand Use of HMIS				
Enhance CE System				
Youth Capacity-Building				
Provider Capacity-Building				
Youth-Adult Partnerships				
Local and Statewide Youth Action Board Coord.				
Cross-System Data Coordination				
Youth Homelessness Evaluation Plan				

Input included:

- Support for enhancing the Youth CE System by having existing outreach staff from various organizations provide immediate support when a young person completes an assessment, helping them navigate resources and actions until they are referred to a housing program.
- Include funds that can be used for training, instead of organizational memberships to a specific resource.
- Support for youth-adult teams attending West Coast Convening.
- Include possibility of increasing the amount of youth stipends.

The YHSI grant will have a final review by Backbone on 2/12 and be submitted by the 2/15 deadline. Jan will send a copy of the final submission to all members of the YYA Subcommittee, Backbone, and the YHSI Design Team.

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting is Friday, February 16, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

a. Charter Changes
b. Co-Chairs
c. 2024 Priorities