# Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance Joint MWVHA Board and Collaborative Committee Meeting

Meeting minutes 2024.08.21

## MWVH Board Members Present

Mayor Cathy Clark, City of Keizer
Commissioner Jeremy Gordon, Polk County
Tribal Councilwoman Lisa Leno, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Sarah White, Co-Chair, CoC Collaborative Committee
Zaira Flores Marin, PacificSource Community Solutions
Tricia Frizzell for Leilani Slama, Chief Communications and Community Relations Officer, Salem Health
Jason Icenbice, Marion County Housing Authority (MCHA)
Christine Sommer, MCHA, Co-Chair, CoC Collaborative Committee

## Collaborative Committee Member Present

Betty Jordan, Salem Housing Authority
Brianna Hatchell, Soaring Heights Recovery Homes
Erin Benjamin, Church at the Park
Kathryn Sommer, Church at the Park
Lynelle Wilcox, Safe Sleep United
Sarah White, Sheltering Silverton
Amy Hamilton, Dev NW
Bianca Mendoza, Salem Housing Authority
Anna Brase, Salem Housing Authority
Ryan Pollard, Polk County Family and Community Outreach
Jayne Downing, Center for Hope and Safety
Cassie Stafford, Willamette Education School District
Christina Bertchi, Marion County Health & Human Services
Peter Buekea, Northwest Human Services
Kristin Kuenz-Barber, Northwest Human Services
Alondra Gutierrez, Micronesian Islander Community (MIC) Intern
Gretchen Bennett, City of Salem
Laura Almuhtaseb, Marion County Housing Authority
Tara Stephen, Center for Hope and Safety
Dominique Schoessler Shangri-La
Brenda Newey, Union Gospel Mission
Alba Garcia, Polk County Behavioral Health
Maureen Casey, Catholic Community Services
Brianna Rubio, Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program ODHS
Rachel McKee, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency
Chris Barber, Curandi
Judy Smith, HomeShare Oregon
Jenny Sheldon, Crossroads Communities

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Tiffany Ottis, City of Salem
Michael Couch, Crossroads Communities
Patrick McDermott, Northwest Human Services
Liesl Eckert, Community Services Consortium
Christina McCollom, PacificSource Community Solutions CCO
Jill Tucker, St. Francis Family Housing
Sammy Basu, Willamette University
Kenzy Seifert, Salem Health
Kat Fox, PacificSource Community Solutions CCO

## Others Present

Cheryl Davis Dickinson Consultants
Joy Dickinson, Dickinson Consultants
Elaine Lozier, MWVHA Executive Director
David Peak, MWVHA, HMIS Analyst
Nathanial Perez, MWVHA, HMIS Specialist
Jan Calvin, MWVHA Consultant

## Welcome

The meeting started once quorum was achieved.

## Kudos/Comments of Appreciation

Several speakers shared congratulations and positive remarks about recent achievements. A new initiative completed by Jayne received high praise, with commendations on the effort and its impressive results. Attendees expressed appreciation, recalling their experiences of attending or seeing photos of the event.

## Fun with Christine-Live!

Christine, Co-Chair for the Collaborative Committee, presented recognition awards to three individuals, Jeremy Gordon, Sarah White, and Elaine Lozier for their contributions over the past year.

## Strategic Plan

### Overview of Planning Process to Date

Joy discussed the advancements made in the planning process. The group identified their progress, emphasizing the structured development of the strategic plan.

### Overview of the Revisions from Committee/Board Feedback

Joy presented revisions after receiving feedback from the committee and board. These corrections aimed to streamline and improve alignment with overarching goals.

### Review of the Plan

The detailed review of the strategic plan set forth clearly defined roles and responsibilities. An extended focus was discussed on ensuring the plan recognized and integrated the extensive local context effectively.

### Activities: Ranking of the 4 Goals - which one is the most critical for the Alliance's work?

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A significant activity involved ranking the four primary goals laid out in the strategic plan. Discussions were extensive, ensuring each goal's criticality was evaluated according to the alliance's focus areas.

### How might your organization support the Alliance's work toward accomplishing each goal?

Participants were asked to reflect on how their organizations could support the Alliance in achieving the identified goals. Ideas and discussions were noted, emphasizing collaborative efforts for maximum impact.

### Strategic Plan Next Steps

The meeting concluded with final steps towards implementing the strategic plan. Joy reminded participants about the necessity for a collective strategy and integration at all organizational levels to accomplish the goals set by the Alliance.

## Thank You & Dismiss Meeting

Elaine Lozier thanked everyone for their contributions, reminded people to sign their code of conduct forms and officially dismissed the meeting.

## Zoom Chat Comments

Peter Buekea, Street Health Outreach Coordinator, Northwest Human Services

Kristin Kuenz-Barber NWHS

21:30 **KK**

Kristin Kuenz-Barber, Strategic Partnerships Manager - NWHS

Alondra Gutierrez (MIC Intern)

21:57 **AG**

Alondra Gutierrez

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22:06 **RM**

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22:38 **CM**

Gretchen Bennett, City of Salem

lalmuhtaseb

22:41

**L** Laura Almuhtaseb-Voucher Navigation Specialist with Marion County Housing Authority

Tara Stephen - CHS

22:56

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**TS** Tara Stephen, Center for Hope & Safety

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23:06 **M**

Please enter your name and organization into the chat! Thanks so much for joining today 🙂

Dominique Schoessler

23:11 **DS**

Dominique Schoessler Shangri-La

Alondra Gutierrez (MIC Intern)

23:14 **AG**

Alondra Gutierrez Inter with MIC Micronesian Islander Community

Brenda

23:16 **B**

Brenda Newey

Amy Hamilton

23:16 **AH**

Amy Hamilton, DevNW

Jan Calvin

23:33 **JC**

Jan Calvin, MWVHA

Alba Garcia (she/her)- Polk County

23:39 **AG**

Alba Garcia (she/her)- Polk County Behavioral Health

Maureen

23:40 **M**

Maureen Casey, Catholic Community Services

Brianna Rubio - ODHS YEHP

23:42 **BR**

Brianna Rubio (she/her), Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program (YEHP) within ODHS SSP

Brenda

23:44 **B**

Brenda Newey UGM Simonka Place

Rachel McKee (she/her) MWVCAA

23:44 **RM**

Rachel McKee, MWVCAA

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Chris B

23:45 **CB**

Chris Barber, Curandi

Judy Smith

24:03 **JS**

Judy C Smith HomeShare Oregon

jenny Sheldon, CRC

24:14 **JS**

Jenny Sheldon, Crossroads Communities

Tiffany Ottis, City of Salem

24:16 **TO**

Tiffany Ottis- City of Salem, Federal Programs

Michael Couch - CRC

24:45 **MC**

Michael Couch, Crossroads Communities

Patrick McDermott - HOST

25:03 **PM**

Patrick McDermott, HOST Program Manager, Northwest Human Services

Zaira Flores Marin

25:12 **ZF**

Zaira Flores Marin (she, her, ella) MP Director, PacificSource Community Solutions MWVHA

25:24 **M**

Those online, can you hear okay?

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Liesl Eckert

25:27 **LE**

Liesl Eckert Community Services Consortium

Gretchen Bennett, City of Salem

25:39 **GB**

Elaine - Yes - I am online and can hear well

Chris B

25:41 **CB**

yes Elaine

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25:45 **M**

Thank you!!

Christina McCollum

25:57 **CM**

Christina McCollum w/PacificSource - BH Regional Strategist

Jill Tucker - St. Francis

26:18 **JT**

Jill Tucker - St. Francis Family Housing, Operations/Housing

Sammy Basu

26:27 **SB**

Sammy Basu, Public Health, Willamette University

Tricia Frizzell

26:38 **TF**

Tricia Frizzell, Salem Health

Kenzy Seifert (she/her) Salem Health Community Relations)

26:49 **KS**

Kenzy Seifert (she/her), Salem Health

Kat Fox

26:58 **KF**

Kat Fox, Behavioral Health Strategist, PacificSource Community Solutions CCO

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33:12 **M**

If you online and want to share a kudos or comments of appreciation, please raise your hand and we will call on you!

Jan Calvin

33:50 **JC**

Thank you Lynelle. Glad it was helpful! I learned so much about all the good work happening.

Judy Smith

34:54 **JS**

Hooray for Elaine! 👏

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Amy Hamilton

35:20 **AH**

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YES! Hope Plaza is amazing and the kickoff event was incredible.
Judy Smith
38:59 **JS**
Ryan is amazing!
Zaira Flores Marin
39:33 **ZF**
thanks Michael!
Amy Hamilton
39:50 **AH**
It way SOOOO hot!
Thank you Tiffany
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58:19 **L**
Compassion and Commitment
Alondra Gutierrez (MIC Intern)
58:37 **AG**
commitment
Brenda
58:46 **B**
Commitment
Gretchen Bennett, City of Salem
58:48 **GB**
Adaptability and Collaboration
DJ Vincent (Church at the Park)
59:00 **DV**
Leadership
jenny Sheldon, CRC
59:23 **JS**
collaboration and compassion
Kristin Kuenz-Barber NWHS
59:34 **KK**
collaboration and commitment
Chris B
59:34 **CB**

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Adaptability and Xollaboration

Judy Smith

59:35 **JS**

Collaboration & Commitment

Jill Tucker - St. Francis

59:45 **JT**

Adaptability and Stewardship

Tricia Frizzell

59:48 **TF**

Stewardship - responsible stewardship encompasses multiple values.

Zaira Flores Marin

59:51 **ZF**

Collaboration, compassion, stewardship

Peter Buekea

01:02:29 **PB**

Thank you for sharing that, Lynelle

Gretchen Bennett, City of Salem

01:10:12 **GB**

Excusing myself to attend another meeting. Thank you for your work connecting and planning today!

Zaira Flores Marin

01:12:48 **ZF**

Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN)

Cheryl Davis

01:14:02 **CD**

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LPVP5QY

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01:19:00 **M**

If you did get an email with the worksheet, please let me know!

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Joy Dickinson

01:20:38 **JD**

joy@dickinsonconsultants.com

Zaira Flores Marin

01:24:25 **ZF**

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I apologize I need to jump to my next meeting !

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01:24:41 **M**

Thank you, Zaira!

Brenda

01:24:48 **B**

I have another meeting.

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Jill Tucker - St. Francis

01:27:11 **JT**

I didn’t get a breakout group…

Steve Dickey, Marion County

01:27:25 **SD**

Same here

Josh Wolf

01:40:23 **JW**

I've got another meeting I need to run to, see you all later

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Jill Tucker - St. Francis

01:43:41 **JT**

I’m so sorry everyone but I need to jump off! Thanks for a great discussion!!

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01:43:52 **M**

Thanks for coming Jill!

Jeremy Gordon

01:43:56 **JG**

Thank you, Jill!

Chris B

01:47:39 **CB**

I need to start another meeting. Thank you for making this joint opportunity!

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01:47:51 **M**

Thank you for joining, Chris!

Alondra Gutierrez (MIC Intern)

01:50:20 **AG**

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I have another meeting to attend but thank you for this learning opportunity. Have a great rest of your day.

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01:50:30 **M**

Thank you Alondra!!

Alba Garcia (she/her)- Polk County

01:52:37 **AG**

I have to jump off shortly, but did want to share: From a CMHP perspective, there are funding streams we are able to access via OHA for different service areas related to behavioral health so we have opportunity to work to reduce silos occuring in the area of homelessness. The question we can ask ourselves is how do we leverage this and partner with existing community agencies to support work already happening

Judy Smith

01:53:18 **JS**

I appreciate the interactive nature of this meeting. Thanks for the opportunity!

Jeremy Gordon

01:53:23 **JG**

Thank you, Alba! Let's chat about your question :)

Peter Buekea

01:53:25 **PB**

Thank you

Tiffany Ottis, City of Salem

01:53:26 **TO**

thank you

Jackie L she/they

01:53:28 **JL**

Thank you for today's meeting. Have a great day everyone

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01:53:31 **L**

Thank you

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