





Continuum of Care Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

2/16/2023 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Attendance:

Board Members: Laura Golino de Lavato, Justin Barrieault, Hannah Studer, Drew Grabham, Jennifer Chang, Mark Morford, Stuart Zeltzer, Jamar Summerfield, Patrick Reynolds, Cammisha Manley, Katie Cox, Jessica Harper, Christina McGovney, Xenia Gonzalez [Absent – Amanda Esquivel, Sherelle Jackson, Brandi Tuck, Ian Slingerland, Elise Cordle Kennedy] JOHS & County Staff: Caitlin Campbell, Alyssa Plesser, Bill Boyd, Malka Geffen Special Guests: Matt Olsson, Patrick Wigmore (Homebase), Bryn Council (Janus Youth)

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Decision/Action
Opening	 Land & Labor Acknowledgment Review Community Agreements Review Agenda 	
Announcements: CoC Special NOFO Award and 2023 PIT Count	 Announcement Special NoFO Award; \$8.3 million over 3 years to NARA NW to provide culturally specific PSH and healthcare services to unsheltered households in Multnomah County Questions: How will we hear more about this? HUD gives the award breakdown months after the award is announced. CoC lead will bring this to the Board. The 2023 PIT count has concluded. CoC lead will bring outcomes to the Board this spring. Full report will come out later in the year. Comments from those who participated in the PIT: PIT Count went smoothly; outreach teams had several debriefs. Excited that all three counties collected similarly. Felt we were missing a lot of people at our site. Any statistical adjustments made for missing contacts? We pair interview info with the Coordinated Access list. 	
Presentation: CoC-Funded Youth Horizons Grant	Horizons - Caitlin Campbell (JOHS) • Grant tries to prevent homeless youth from becoming homeless adults; 3 agencies provide the housing and support services for up to 24 months: Janus Youth Programs, Outside In,	

	 and New Avenues for Youth. Grant is a Rapid Rehousing grant that provides youth with scattered site housing options with supportive services and serves youth ages 18 - 25th birthday 149 households served overall (for the consolidated grant), 95 children served; 59% were youth of color Home Safe - Bryn Council (Janus Youth, Insights Program) Rapid rehousing: 24 or younger houseless (pregnant parenting 22 and younger); stay up to 24 months Use home visiting model and provide pregnant/parenting education and support and connection to an array of supportive services 61 young parents households served in 2022; POC 69% Focus on how to be safe and keep their kids safe. Two success stories shared Questions: How do youth find out about this grant? When youth come in through coordinated access (Horizons). Word of mouth (Home Safe). How do we connect people to the program? Call the Homeless Youth Continuum's Access Center (503) 432-3986 or the Insights number. How do you celebrate successes? Depends on the person, everything from a trip to the zoo or a new vacuum, gift cards, recreational outings. 	
BREAK - Switch to Breakout Rooms	 Moved from webinar to Zoom meeting 10 minute break 	
Homebase "Action Plan" Brainstorming Session	 Last week's presentation: basic role of a CoC Board and how different communities around the country are structured. Four models: 2 decide all issues in the community on issues of homelessness; 2 include multiple decision makers or separate decision making entities. Action Planning Goal: Identify as many structural issues CoC Board have ability and resources to tackle. Then prioritize down to 5-7 issues. Three questions for breakout groups: What are the key strategies, objectives, or outcomes this action plan could make advances in one year? How do we leverage our new CoC structure in a way that maximizes cooperation, efficiency, and communication among our committees, agencies, staff and those we are serving? How do we ensure broader participation to develop staff expertise and leadership? How can we proactively ensure that diversity, equity, and 	

inclusion guide all operations of the CoC, including CoC membership, decision-making processes, and representation among CoC-funded agencies and their leadership structures?	
Next steps for Action Planning: - Matt Olson will merge jamboards into buckets of action - Will work on prioritization among themes in future session	