

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA AND INFORMATION PACKET

THURSDAY, March 24, 2022 • 9:00 am - 11:00 am

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OUR MISSION

The Washington County Department of Housing Services provides a continuum of affordable housing options that promote community strength.

OUR STRATEGIES

- Provide rental assistance
- Assist people in achieving housing stability, focusing on lower income populations
- Develop, acquire, and maintain affordable housing
- Provide career placement and training opportunities through partner organizations
- Connect low-income people to additional programs and services
- Provide home ownership opportunities, where appropriate
- Collaborate with public and private partners

OUR EQUITY STATEMENT

The Department of Housing Services provides housing opportunities to all eligible persons no matter their race, color, religion, national origin, age, disability, familial status, marital or domestic partnership status, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, veteran status, legal source of income or type of occupation.

In order to be relevant and effective in a rapidly changing and increasingly diverse environment, the Department of Housing Services commits to the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion for all members of the community we serve. Equitable access to resources and opportunity is the means to healthy, economically vibrant people and communities. We believe that authentically listening to, working inclusively with, and being accountable to the community we serve increases innovation and effectiveness and leads to more successful outcomes.



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2022 HAC	MEETING SCHEDULE				
Thursday,	January 27	[No July Meeting]			
Thursday,	February 24	Thursday, August 25			
Thursday,	March 24	Thursday, September 22			
Thursday,	, April 28	Friday, October TBD – Retreat			
Thursday,	. May 26 – Budget Review	Thursday, November 17			
Thursday,	hursday, June 23 Friday, December TBD – Luncheon				



IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

As of March 12, Washington County began lifting COVID-19 restrictions and masking requirements in coordination with the state of Oregon. There are some exceptions, and masks will still be required in health care settings and on public transportation, such as buses, trains and in airports and on airplanes. The County Administrative office anticipates a return to normal operations around May 1, with a general framework of the transitional period starting on March 12 intended to provide an opportunity for employees returning to the office to make the necessary arrangements, and for managers to communicate with staff about issues like space considerations and which positions can accommodate ongoing telework options. Currently, all Housing staff are healthy and free of COVID-19.

The Housing Authority of Washington County is sharing its proposed 2022 PHA Plan and related documents for public review and comment. The 45-day public comment period will run February 14, 2022 through March 30, 2022. The Housing Authority Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on the proposed PHA Plan on Tuesday, April 5th. The draft documents and more information can be found on the following webpage:

https://www.co.washington.or.us/Housing/PoliciesPlans/plans-policies-reports.cfm

Housing Department move to Adams Crossing is now looking like it will happen around May 2022. Permitting and supply chain challenges have created delays in the planned tenant improvements; however, work is ongoing.

AHP4 portfolio rehabilitation update: The financing partners are on board and the project is moving towards closing by mid-May 2022. Chase Bank has ordered and received a draft appraisal and the Housing Authority Board of Directors Board approved bond defeasance proposal and amendments to Loan Agreement between Housing Authority and the County March 1. The Board of County Commissioners also approved same at its march 15 meeting. Cascade Property Management and a consultant are continuing work on 90-day notices for households identified as over income and planning work for temporary and permanent relocation. It is worthy of mention that a phased approach is being used allowing the relocation team the necessary time to assist and support households in relocation.

The Housing Authority is continuing to work on implementation of our Moving to Work (MTW) flexibility. Staff are finalizing policies about the rent reform study and the other proposed MTW activities that will be beneficial to staff and the families we serve. Staff began to share information about these initiatives at the January 2022 meeting and will have a public hearing on the topic at the April Housing Authority Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday, April 5th.

Thank you for your interest and dedication to affordable housing in Washington County!

Komi Kalevor Director



V. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Washington County would like to take a moment and recognize the service of Balen Younis and Vince Chiotti, for their services as members of the Housing Advisory Committee. Thursday, March 31st, 2022, will serve as Balen and Vince's last day as committee members.

VI. RESOLUTIONS/ACTION ITEMS

A. 2022-23 Annual PHA Plan & MTW Supplement

Staff will review the drafted Annual PHA Plan and included MTW activities. At our last two HAC meetings, staff have described the MTW activities in detail, along with the impact on agency and staff efficiency, and on our residents and participants. At this meeting, HAC members can share any additional feedback about the drafted Annual PHA Plan and MTW Supplement. Any feedback submitted will be recorded and included in the MTW submission to HUD.

VII. ONGOING BUSINESS

A. Land Use & ADU's Discussion

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

N/A



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IX. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

A. Rental Assistance

Housing Choice Voucher and Special Purpose Vouchers Program

	HUD Allocated Uni	its	
Program	ACC	Monthly HAP Allocated from HUD	Monthly HAP per Household
Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	2,706	\$2,450,393.88	\$905.54
Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH)	197	\$197,591.38	\$1,003.00
Foster Youth Initiative (FYI)	7	\$4,610.52	\$658.65
Subtotal	2,910	\$2,652,595.78	
	HUD Special Purpose V	ouchers	
Program	ACC	Monthly HAP Allocated from HUD	Monthly HAP per Household
Mainstream Vouchers	178	\$160,336.07	\$900.76
Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV)	89	\$82,972.00	\$932.27
Subtotal	267	\$243,308.07	
HUD Total	3,177	\$2,895,903.85	
	Regional and Referral Bas	ed Awards	
Program	Households to	Monthly HAP Allocated	Monthly HAP per
Frogram	be Served	fromMetro SHS	Household
Regional Long-Term Rental Assistance (RLRA)	500	\$687,500.00	\$1,375.00
Subtotal	500	\$687,500.00	
Agency Total	3,677	\$3,583,403.85	

Utilization:

			Vouchers an	d Awards Lea	ised Up							
	HUD Regular Vouchers (ACC)											
HCV VASH FYI All Actual UML												
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%				
Dec-21	2,469	91.24%	141	71.57%	1	14.29%	2,611	89.73%				
Jan-22	2,481	91.69%	141	71.57%▲	1	14.29%▼	2,623	90.14%▲				
Feb-22	2,488	91.94%	145	73.60%	1	14.29%	2,634	90.52%▲				
Grand Total	4,969	91.81%	286	72.59%	2	14.29%	5,257	90.33 %				
*Grand total percentages	are calculated as	the number of units	leased up over the	annualized ACC/	Allocation for each p	rogram.						

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Utilization (continued):

		Regional Pr	ograms				
	SHS/RLRA						
	Mainstr	eam	EH\	/			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Dec-21	171	96.07%	51	57.30%	98	20%	
Jan-22	171	96.07%▼	61	68.54%▲	91	18.20%▼	
Feb-22	170	95.51%	69	77.53%	110	22.00%	
Grand Total	341	95.79%	130	73.03%	201	20.10%	

*Grand total percentages are calculated as the number of units leased up over the annualized ACC/Allocation for each program.

HCV Waitlist Demographics:

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Current HCV Wait Li	st*		Voucher A	ctivity							
October 2021 (households)	1,802		HAWC Vou	ichers Is	sued	23		Total Outs	tanding \	/ouchers	190
Wait List Time Base	d on # of	Househol	d Members	8							
#HHMembers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
# Families	918	368	253	142	73	31	11	4	2	0	1,802
Average Days	137	137	138	138	137	137	139	139	132	-	137
Wait List Based on G	Gender										
Gender				Female	•		Male				Total
Total				1,292			510				1,802
Wait List Based on R	Race										
Race		Am. Indian	Asian	Black	Multiple	Native Haw.	Missing	White			Total
Total		53	47	387	190	13	55	1,057			1,802
Wait List Based on E	thnicity										
HH Ethnicity			Hispanic		Not Hisp.		Missing				Total
Total			298		1,457		47				1,802
Wait List Based on H	Н Туре										
НН Туре		Disabled		Elderly	1	Family		Other			Total
Total		507		216		669		410			1,802

New waitist, including clients who applied for the waitist in July-August 2021 and were selected for the waitist via random lottery.

The latest w aitlist for issuance was generated November 19, 2021.



Department Update

The Rental Assistance Division (RAD) had a busy February with desk changes, trainings, and recruitments. The team along with the rest of the department completed the Anti-Harassment Training provided by the County. The division was encouraged, and several staff members attended NFHTA Forum: *Housing Segregation is Not an Accident: A Black History Month Event*, webinar hosted by HUD. The first formal training on new procedures manual guides took place on February 18th, highlighting the first to completed modules Voucher Issuance and Portability. The team was excited about the creation of the new Affordability Estimate form that will be provided along with vouchers to help explain the complex of affordability due to payment standards, income, rent and utility allowance.

Total Leased	Total Contract	Utilization Rate			
192	218	88%			
Projects Leased	Units Leased	Units Eligible	Projects Leased	Units Leased	Units Eligible
Alma Gardens	8	8	The Mary Ann	6	8
Alma Gardens - VASH	4	5	Orchards	23	24
Barcelona	8	8	PLUSS	10	12
Bridge Meadows	8	8	Pomeroy Place	13	15
Cedar Grove	7	8	Pomeroy Place - VASH	5	5
Cornelius Place	11	11	Red Rock Creek Commons	24	24
Fir Crest Manor	13	14	Sunset View	22	24
Housing Team/SAMHSA	3	3	Tom Brewer House	9	13
The Knoll	8	8	The Viewfinder	3	8
The Knoll - VASH	4	4	The Viewfinder - VASH	4	8

Project-Based Vouchers:

Awarded: Project has been allocated project-based vouchers contingent on satisfying RFP requirements **Project-Based:** Project is ready for occupancy and vouchers are attached to specific project-based voucher housing units in the property.



FSS Programs & Special Projects

Participating Households		
Housing Choice Vouchers		42
Public Housing		12
VASH		1
Total Participating Households		1 55
EscrowBalances		
Households with Escrow Balance > \$0	23	28 (51%)
Total EscrowBalance		\$298,218
Highest EscrowBalance		\$50,934
Average EscrowBalance		\$5,422
Monthly Escrow		
Households Accum ulating Monthly Escrow	17	17 (31%)
Total Monthly Escrow		\$12,261
Highest Monthly Escrow		\$1,209
Average Monthly Escrow		\$223
Average Increase in Annual E arned Income		
Households showing increase in Annual Earned Income	18	18 (33%)
Total Increase in Annual E arned Income		\$673,977
Highest Increase in Annual Earned Income		\$74,917
Average Increase in Annual Earned Income		\$12,254

B. Public Housing

Occupancy Rates										
Program	Units	Nov - 21	Dec - 21	Jan - 22	Feb - 22					
Public Housing	244	99.1%	98.7%	100%	100%					

Average Vacancy Days

Average vacancy days for the month of February was 16 days, HAWC's goal is 18 days. Capital improvements completed in the leased units contributed to the extended vacancy periods. HUD rates Housing Authorities on cumulative vacancy days on a fiscal year basis and rates 20 days or less as an "A". For the first quarter of FY 21-22, HAWC's average is 90 days.

Work Order Effectiveness

Average maintenance response time for work orders is a major indicator that correlates closely with resident satisfaction and preservation of our capital assets. HUD standard for completion time on emergency work order is 24 hours and 25 days for routine work orders. HAWC's goal is 3 hours for emergency work orders and 3 days on routine work orders. For January, the average maintenance response time for emergency and routine work orders was:



Work Order Performance					Wai	tlist	
	Feb	- 22					
Emergency W/O	Avg. Time	Routine W/O	Avg. Time	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
5	1.22 hours	177	1 2.54 days	789	390	78	31

Affordable Housing/Portfolio Rehab

HAWC owns and operates affordable properties included in financial reports under Affordable Housing, Bond Portfolio, and Specialty Housing

Occupancy Rates	
	Feb - 22
Affordable Housing (332 units)	89.5%
Bond Portfolio (263 units)	97.5%
Specialty Housing Portfolio (28 units)	96.4%

HAWC Partnership Affordable Projects

Project Name	City	St.	1 BR	2BR	3 BR	4 BR	Total Units	Year Completed
Covey Run	Forest Grove				26	14	40	2001
Gateway Commons	Hillsboro		18	51	44		113	2004
Quatama Crossing	Beaverton		222	423	66		711	2006
The Orchards at Orenco Station	Hillsboro		40	17			57	2015
The Orchards at Orenco II Station	Hillsboro		44	14			58	2016
The Orchards at Orenco III Station	Hillsboro			33	19		52	2018
Sunset View Apartments	Beaverton		88	112	36		236	2016
The Fields	Tigard		128	104	32		264	2020
Willow Creek Crossing	Hillsboro	38	71	11			120	2020
TOTAL	-	38	611	765	197	14	1,651	

Note #1: Cascade Housing Inc., the development partner, has sold Covey Run and is in the process of selling Gateway Commons. Affordability covenants are unaffected.



IX. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

C. Additional Department Updates

1. Housing Development

The Housing Authority of Washington County (HAWC), a separate legal entity of Washington County's Department of Housing Services, is responsible for Development and Portfolio Management. HAWC, either directly or through a wholly owned affiliate, may work with developers, financial institutions, and government agencies, to build, acquire, and/or rehabilitate, thriving affordable housing communities in Washington County.

Affordable Housing Bond Updates

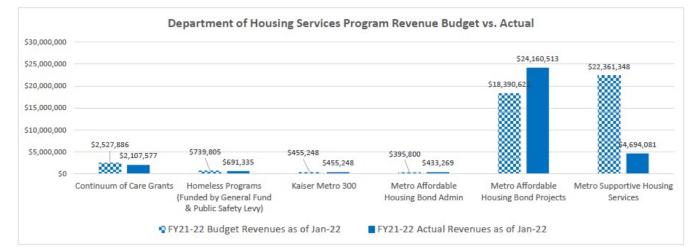
- 1. Projects are seeing ongoing significant construction cost increases in excess of estimating and inflation budget contingencies. In the case of one project this is delaying closing and construction start.
- Metro has developed a draft IGA Amendment that would allocate \$1.67 million in additional funds to Washington County specifically to support costs of air conditioning in Affordable Housing Bond projects. This will be brought to the Board of County Commissioners for approval when finalized by Metro and reviewed by County counsel.
- 3. The 82-unit BRIDGE Aloha project is anticipated to close on construction financing in March. 58-unit Tigard Senior Housing is anticipated to close on construction financing at end of April.
- 4. Viewfinder lease-up update (as of 2/27/2022): 38 out of 81 households have moved in. Property is 46.91% occupied with 93.83% of all units either leased or assigned.

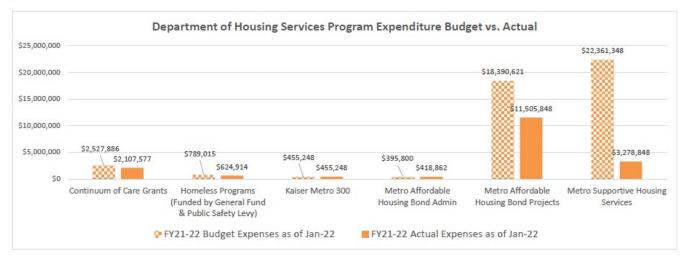
Project Sponsor	Project Name	Location	Metro Bond Amount	Unit Count	Concept Endorsement Date
Home First Development	Saltzman Road Senior Apartments	Cedar Mill (unincorporated Wash. Co.)	\$5,990,000	53	1/26/2021
Housing Authority of Washington County	Aloha Inn	Aloha (unincorporated Wash. Co.)	\$8,465,000	54	12/15/2020
Bienestar and REACH CDC	Plaza Los Amigos	Cornelius	\$12,830,000	113	9/1/2020
BRIDGE Housing Corporation	Aloha Housing	Aloha (unincorporated Wash. Co.)	\$10,230,000	82	9/1/2020
BRIDGE Housing Corporation	Goldcrest Apartments	Beaverton	\$8,700,000	75	9/1/2020
Community Partners for Affordable Housing	Plambeck Gardens	Tualatin	\$14,320,000	116	9/1/2020
DCM Communities & HAWC	The Valfre at Avenida 26	Forest Grove	\$3,792,088	36	9/1/2020
Northwest Housing Alternatives	Tigard Senior Housing	Tigard	\$6,270,000	58	9/1/2020
Related NW	Terrace Glen	Tigard	\$17,484,000	144	9/1/2020
Community Development Partners	Viewfinder	Tigard	\$11,583,000	81	6/18/2019
TOTAL			\$99,664,088	812	

Metro Affordable Housing Bond Projects in Washington County's Implementation Area:



2. Financial Statement







Housing Authority of Washington County Program Net Income (Loss) from Operations Prior Year as of Jan-22 FY21-22 Budget as of Jan-22 FY21-22 Actual as of Jan-22 -\$46,000 \$454,000 \$954,000 \$1,454,000 \$1,954,000 \$2,454,000 \$2,954,000 \$3,454,000 \$1,258 -\$35,459 🖪 Section 8 Admin Fees \$545,308 \$130,491 \$24,969 \$24,969 Public Housing -\$5,222 -\$15,313 Kaybern Terrace \$1,755 -59.424 Aloha Park \$2,552 \$9,563 -\$45,881 -\$32,270 -\$29,407 Cornelius Village \$261,531 Affordable Housing \$321,883 \$2,159,253 \$974,999 Local Fund \$2,705,179 \$2,492,005 \$1,664,158 HAWC Total \$3,514,433

For January FYTD, net income from Housing Authority operations of \$3,514,433 was favorable to budget by \$1,850,275 and favorable to the prior year by \$1,022,428.

Section 8 Admin This program had net income of \$545,308 which was \$580,767 favorable to budget, the favorable variance from the budget is a combination new Emergency Housing vouchers awarded and remaining HUD CARES one-time funding to mitigate COVID-19 impact. \$761,786 of the \$925,725 CARES Act Admin fund was utilized to pay for administrative costs.

Public Housing had net income of \$24,969 which was \$422,797 unfavorable to budget. The unfavorable variance is due to capital fund to be drawdowned later to reflect capital fund activities schedule.

Kaybern Terrace had net income of \$1,755 which was \$17,067 favorable to budget. The variance is due to lower operating expenses.

Aloha Park had net income of \$9,563 which was \$7,012 favorable to budget. The variance is due to higher rental income to reflect revenue management plan. Cornelius Village had net loss of \$29,407 which was \$2,863 favorable to budget. This property is projected to have a operating loss due to lower rental income and an annual morgage payment of \$105K, management is working on a revenue mangemnet plan to increase rental income with minimun impact to tenants. Affordable Housing had net income of \$257,066 which was \$64,817 unfavorable to budget. The unfavorable variance reflected scheduling of property rehabilitation fund to be provided by the Local Fund.

Local Fund had net income of \$2,705,179, favorable to budget by \$1,730,181, the variance is the combination of additional development fee collected from the Gateway Commons, higher capital distribution from Quatama Crossing and admin fee earned from processing the Landlord Compensation Fund program for the OHCS and scheduling of property rehabilitation fund to Affordable Housing.



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3. Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Division

<u>A Road Home</u> is the County's comprehensive plan focused on preventing and ending homelessness through a system-level approach to achieve the strategies outlined in 6 goals. The <u>FY2021/22 Work Plan</u> to provide prevention assistance, housing and services is a multi-disciplinary approach to address the socioeconomic factors and interconnected causes of homelessness.

<u>Community Alliance of Tenants</u> (CAT) Washington County Office of Community Development and Department of Housing Services partnered with (CAT) provides tenant services in Washington County to include Renters Hotline at 503-288-0130.

<u>Community Action Emergency Rent Assistance</u> assists lowincome households with rent in arrears. In partnership with the State of Oregon, Community Action administers the Oregon Emergency Rent Assistance Program.

A Public Hearing for the draft FY2022 <u>Action Plan</u> will be held on 4/6/2022 at 10 a.m. The Action Plan will be presented by the Office of Community Development and the Cities of Beaverton and Hillsboro. The goals and outcomes identified in the Action Plan align with ESG, CDBG, HOME and other resources identified in the Consolidated Plan's Strategic Plan which describes how federal funds and other local and state

Eviction Court Cases filed by Month	2022	2021	2020	2019
January	113	30	286	294
February	100	28	250	257
March		39	98	267
April		33	5	232
May		32	12	262
June		28	17	253
July		84	24	275
August		90	14	252
September		92	19	284
October		89	15	246
November		132	16	239
December		96	31	234
Total	213	773	787	3095

Source: Washington County Civil Court Department

resources will be deployed to address community development and affordable housing.

The Rural Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (RATH) program is a new effort providing rural cities and unincorporated areas with local access to prevention and housing retention, outreach, basic needs, intensive case management and health care navigation services, housing navigation, and tenancy supports services. Administering the program is <u>The Salvation Army</u> and <u>Forest Grove Foundation</u>.

Federal COC Program Funding, Reporting, and Activities

The Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Local Board will release a Request For Proposals after 3/18/2022 to allocate \$868,132 in federal funds to include \$42,443 Off-Site Lodging (Hotel/Motel Vouchers), \$169,774 Food/Meals, \$131,183 Shelter Operations, and \$524,732 Rent/Mortgage Assistance. The competitive grant application will be posted <u>online</u>.

HUD announced the <u>FY2021 CoC Program</u> grant award that will provide \$4,055,487 in rent assistance, services and administration funding for programs. The competitive new rapid rehousing "Bridge Housing" sponsored by Centro Cultural. Awards was not funded in this competition.

The county's <u>Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)</u> is administered by Housing Services CoC staff in partnership with the Portland Housing Bureau that contracts with WellSky, the HMIS software vendor.



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- The CoC Board approved entering a regional HMIS implementation that would transfer administration of the HMIS from Portland Housing Bureau to Joint Office of Homeless Services.
- JOHS reported this month that they are looking at administering the HMIS except for the HMIS COMP site that contains information on victims of domestic violence. Domestic and Sexual Violence Coordination Office (DSVCO) has proposed administration of the 3-county HMIS COMP site in compliance with the federal Violence Against Women Act (VAWA).
- The new tri-county HMIS implementation has slipped from 4/1/2022 to 7/1/2022.

The HUD McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended, requires local CoC's to plan and implement a coordinated system of care. CoC's are required to submit to HUD annual reports to demonstrate systemic response outcomes.

- <u>System Performance Measurement (SPM)</u> report uses established metrics to provide HUD and the CoC with system-level performance as a coordinated system. The SPM is used by HUD in awarding CoC Program grant funding and demonstrates coordination with ESG Program recipients and all other homeless assistance stakeholders in the community. The local SPM report was approved by the CoC Board on 2/11/2022 and posted online with submittal to HUD by 2/28/2022.
- <u>Point In Time (PIT) Homeless Count and Housing Inventory (HIC)</u> occurred on 1/26/2022 to enumerate data on people experiencing homelessness who are "unsheltered" (e.g. living on the street and places not meant for human habitation) and "sheltered" (e.g. emergency shelter, transitional housing and safe have). Additionally, persons in housing beds/units will be reported to HUD in the CoC's Housing Inventory Chart (HIC). The PIT and HIC reports informs local CoC planning to include racial equity, program bed utilization, analyze contributing factors to homelessness, and unmet needs. The local PIT and HIC will be approved by the CoC Board on 4/8/2022 and posted <u>online</u> with submittal to HUD.

CoC Governance and Community Engagement

The CoC is governed by the <u>Housing and Supportive Services Network (HSSN)</u>, a consortium of more than 60 citizen advocates, public and nonprofit provider agencies working collaboratively to plan, coordinate and provide housing and services in a system of care that aligns with priorities outlined in local plans, *A Road Home*, the *SHS Program LIP*, the *2020-2024 Consolidate Plan*, and the Federal strategic plan *Home*, *Together*. <u>Meeting</u> agendas are available online.

HSSN Guest Speaker: April 6, 2022 - 8:30 a.m.

• Naomi Hunsaker, HHS Addictions Program | Systems Coordinator Substance Use Trends, Response and Initiatives

4. Supportive Housing Services (SHS)

FY 22/23 Work Plan:

In addition to quarterly and annual reporting, the SHS program must also submit an annual work plan to Metro in April. This high-level plan identifies program expansion and outcome goals for the coming fiscal year, in alignment with planned investments. The SHS program will be presenting for the HPAC committee on March 17th, and the Board of County Commissioners on April 9th, a draft Work Plan for 2022. This plan will include programmatic expansion planned such as:



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- Housing Case Management programs for immediate, short-term and long-term housing programs paired with appropriate rent assistance programs
- Shelter programs including inclement, winter-only, year-round, Bridge Shelters and alternative shelter programs
- Outreach and In-reach programs connecting people experiencing homeless ness to housing programs
- And new PSH programs including the first 54 PSH units anticipated to open at the Aloha Inn in August

Community Engagement Series to Support Shelter Expansion Underway

The SHS program has launched series of engagement activities across Washington County to discuss the need for year-round shelter in our community, while gathering feedback to help inform our community guidelines for expanding and locating future shelter programs. This series of community engagement is aimed to help build community understanding of shelter programs and support the work of identifying sites for permanent shelter programs. The SHS program aims to create many types of shelter programs, including alternative shelters such as pod villages or safe parking programs, with an overall goal of increasing year-round shelter capacity with an additional 250 beds. The engagement work will include community events focused on different areas of the County, stakeholder and impacted people interviews, and the development of a community guidelines document to guide the policies and processes for locating and launching future programs. The events have been well attended and response to the surveys robust. This work will be compiled into A draft document entitled "Community Guidelines for Shelter Program Expansion in Washington County" for the Board of County Commissioners review on April 9th, 2022

Tri-County SHS Request for Programmatic Qualifications Completed

Washington County partnered with Clackamas and Multnomah Counties on a coordinated procurement effort to qualify service providers working across the region to be able contract with all three Counties for the provision of Supportive Housing Services. Washington County was honored to be asked to lead this procurement process for the Tri-County effort. The procurement process offered one centralized application allowing organizations to consider providing services across five different service categories, and in one or all three Counties.

- Outreach and Engagement Services,
- Shelter and Transitional Housing Services,
- Housing Navigation, Placement and Eviction Prevention Services,
- Housing Stabilization Services
- Wrap Around Support Services

More than 90 organizations applied, and 89 were qualified through the review process, resulting in a pool of 116 qualified SHS providers available to contract throughout the region. Approved providers will be eligible to provider services for up to 5 years and will be considered for contracting opportunities available in each of the Counties they opted to work in, and service categories for which they have been qualified. A complete list of qualified venders is available <u>here</u>.

X. ADDITIONAL TOPICS