



Preventing and ending homelessness in Clark County

Coalition of Service Providers for the Homeless
Meeting Summary for July 12, 2017
Next Meeting: September 13, YWCA

Meeting Documents: http://www.councilforthehomeless.org/csp_docs/

Presentations:

SW WA Accountable Community of Health

[Kachina Inman](#), VP of Partnerships, Policy and Equity SW WA Accountable Community of Health
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Accountable Communities of Health, overseen by the Affordable Care Act, is looking at the Triple Aim (for improved population health):

- Improvements in experience of care
- Measureable improvement in the health of a population
- Lower cost

Regional Goals will attempt to reach the aim through ...

- Collaborative decision-making
- Bringing together sectors for increased planning
- Focusing on health for the whole person

Medicaid Demonstration Project Specific Goals:

- Care Deliver Redesign is a big element of this work
- Community Based Care Coordination (Pathways) – how we draw down money is based on the projects we select and the outcomes we achieve.
- Opioid Research
- One other project (Maternal and child health; access to oral health services; or chronic disease prevention and control)

Key Elements of Pathways:

Care coordination provided in the community confirms connection to health and social services.

- Direct Services = Intervention
- Care Coordination = Clinic Based
- Community Care Coordination = Home Based

This work looks to Community Health Workers to develop a stronger workforce. It is not a licensed profession in WA State, but ACH is hopeful that it will be.

Action Items:

- Find populations most at risk
- Treat
- Measure – money comes down when Pathway is completed

City of Vancouver Homeless Ideas Group

[Peggy Sheehan](#), Program Manager, City of Vancouver

The Homelessness Ideas Group, coordinated by the City of Vancouver, has been meeting with DT businesses and agencies who are finding solutions to basic problems surrounding homelessness: cleanliness, bar clientele, homelessness (property issues). The group meets 2nd Tuesday at 3:30 at City Hall and all service providers are invited. The group is developing initiatives to alleviate the issues brought up at the meeting: health department brochure, storage, day center.

Point In Time Count

The Point in Time Count numbers from the January 2017 count are an under-representation of the number of actual homeless in our community; however, these are the numbers recognized by HUD so we need to understand the numbers and be able to show improvement.

What can we as service providers do to get an increasingly accurate count?

- Attend planning meeting to get the word out to other cities in the county (211 volunteered, for example)
- Host more than one event around the county
- More people on teams that can go out to count

Legislative Update & Advocacy Opportunities

[Amy Reynolds](#), Deputy Director, Share

SB1570 if it had passed would have eliminated the sunset on the document recording fee and raised the fee for increased funding for ending homelessness. It did not pass.

The Bill that was adopted instead was 5254, which extends the sunset for the deed recording fees for four years but does not make the provision for counties to increase the fees. We will be coming back to have this fight again.

The good news is that the budget was signed. CHG programs have funding. The HEN program will once again be funded so Share is opening up a waiting list. Folks can apply at DSHS if they have a mental or physical health issue.

Pay attention to the Capitol Budget because there is opportunity to be supportive of the Housing Trust Fund.

Coalition Planning Group

[Kate Budd](#), Council for the Homeless

Currently, recruitment for this group is underway.

**Next Meeting: September 13th, 2017 10:00-11:30am
3609 Main Street, Vancouver, WA 98660**

The Coalition meets on the 2nd Wednesday bi-monthly for planning to prevent and end homelessness in Clark County.

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