



CFTH and Homeless System Milestones

1980'S

- Local committee releases report “Responding to Homelessness in Clark County” • CFTH founded in 1989 • McKinney-Vento Act created Federal funding for homeless services • Emergency shelters opened in Clark County • CFTH launches the Emergency Shelter Clearinghouse

1990'S

- System grows in sophistication with new programs and data collection • First annual Point in Time Count held • Coalition of Services Providers forms to collaborate on planning and funding • CFTH submits first annual collaborative application to Federal government for homeless services funding • Community Voicemail launches

2000'S

- Winter Hospitality Overflow finds regular home at St. Paul and St. Andrew Lutheran Churches • WA Gov. Locke signs HB2060 Deed Recording Fee establishing dedicated local homeless system funding • First Ten Year Homeless Plan written • First annual Project Homeless Connect held

2010'S

- Increased focus on landlord outreach • First annual Homeless Person's Memorial Day recognized • Asset Building Coalition forms to increase banking resources for people with low income • Housing First model implemented • Housing and homelessness integrated into cross-sector collaborations

2015'S

- CFTH Housing Solutions Center launches as the single access point for homeless services marking Clark County as a national leader • Courtyard Village crisis yields strong school partnerships leading to Homeless Student Stability program • CFTH Housing Relief Fund launches to help eliminate barriers to renting • Diversion begins as a model for ending homelessness • Trauma-Informed Approach adopted • Veteran by Name List developed • CFTH leads efforts to create City of Vancouver Affordable Housing Fund • CFTH creates and supports a Severe Weather Task Force to expand shelter capacity • CFTH updates the Homeless Action Plan • CFTH Housing Initiative, LLC created to develop affordable housing in Clark County