



Human Services Advisory Council

Clatsop County AGENDA

December 7, 2023

Meeting Information:

Topic: HSAC

Time: 03:00 PM – 4:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call:

a. HSAC members:

| Present | Member |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Randy Anderson (Chair) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Valerie Richards (excused absence) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Linda Dugan-Winstanley (Vice Chair) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Julia Weinberg |

| Present | Member |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Nicole Maki (excused absence) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Grant North |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Craig Hoppes (excused absence) |
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- I. Randy: Because Jennifer Brandon has had three unexcused absences, she is removed from the council.*
- II. Monica: Lisa should send out a letter referencing the bylaws that she is now removed.*

b. Clatsop County:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | John Toyooka, Co. Comm. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Jiancheng Huang, Public Health Director |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jill Quackenbush, Public Health Dep. Director |

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Monica Steel, Asst. Co. Manager |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Lisa Schuyler, Asst. to Public Health Director (HSAC Liaison) |
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c. Clatsop Behavioral Health:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Amy Baker, Executive Director |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Lori Moore, DD director |

d. Guests:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Charles Clayton, Grace Episcopal Church |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Ashley Lertora, Grace Episcopal Church |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Mark Acuna, NW Senior and Disabilities |

3. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- a. *Current Agenda: Motion to approve with noted addition of Mark Acuna: Linda moves, Julie 2nd, all approve*
- b. *September 7, 2023 Meeting (corrected)*
- c. *October 5, 2023 Site Visit to North Coast Food Web (corrected)*
- d. *October 19, 2023 Site Visit to Bumble Preschool and Childcare (corrected)*
 - i. *Approve meetings, Julia motions, Linda 2nd, motion has passed*
- e. *November 2, 2023 Meeting motion to approve Julia, Linda 2nd, motion has passed*

4. Public Comment: N/A

5. Provider Reports

- a. *We asked Amy to expand CBH reporting to include DD service updates – Randy*
- b. *CBH services are contracted directly with the state so we are not their governing authority. – Monica*
- c. *Lori Moore: CBH provides services to approx. 240 people for case management and link to services from adult foster and residential, in-home support for attendant care, people who used to live in adult foster home can now live at home with family and staff can work directly with them, assessment, adult abuse investigation, licensing adult foster homes, monitoring. This month for Christmas a donation to CBH client who can go to Fred Meyer and buy up to \$150 in gifts. Sunday the 17th 1-5 and Wednesday 2-7. Volunteers and CBH staff available to help shop and budget.*
- d. *Amy: During pandemic people had a hard time getting medical services and Lori's team advocated for clients to make sure they could get services. Trying to make sure that all our programs are working together smoothly.*

6. Grantee Reports:

- a. Ashley Lertora, Grace Episcopal Church Food Pantry
 - i. *Thank you so much for the grant. We buy from the Regional Food Bank at reduced rate with donations from parishioners and fund raising. We are open 2 days a week and provide 3-day emergency food supply. 500 visits this year so far. Beginning of year was 50, now up to 75 a month. 2075 people total this year, 187 average per month. 94 times by homeless individuals, about 10 a month. Participated with the Safeway turkey dinner*

program, 39 people signed up for turkey meals and we only have 3 left to give away. Committed staff of 13 people over 700 hours of volunteering. The pantry is open to anyone that meets USDA guidelines. Wouldn't be able to be open without that grant.

- ii. Monica: what is USDA qualifications? We put out the guidelines and we ask people if they qualify. If they say yes we serve them.
 - iii. Monica: Any particular kinds of products that are particularly helpful? Rain ponchos, can openers, coat rack you can leave and take outerwear from, personal care items that we can't get through the Regional Food Bank.
- b. Charles Clayton, Grace Episcopal Church SNAC program
- i. See slideshow
 - ii. Charles: After COVID Astoria School District did not re-start the Backpack Food Program so I took it on. School councilors determine who to distribute to, I drop off bags on Thursdays and they give them out on Fridays. Buy some of the items from food bank and some from local stores since food banks doesn't have as much single-serve items. Asked Grace Episcopal to be sponsor of program and we use their kitchen to store and pack food. Not USDA eligible program. November has 83 students, 21 of whom were homeless – up from the previous month. Tough to find nutritious, high-protein food sometimes. Milk was most expensive thing \$1.27 each and someone started providing the milk wholesale which helped a lot.

7. New Business N/A

8. Unfinished Business

a. NW Senior and Disability Services Update

- i. *Randy: We invited Mark Acuna to give a report when he can make it. He used to be on this council several years ago.*
- ii. *Mark: NW Senior and Disability still expanding programs/staff. Hearing concerns from seniors and disabled folks with nutrition due to cost of food. Increase in requests for long-term care services due to aging population. Office has had a shortage of eligibility staff so we have had to depend on workers from other offices to help us. Fortunate we were able to hire people so fully staffed now but all have under 6 months experience. Meal sites continue to serve meals and home delivered meals. Disability services mainly focused on social security. We don't determine eligibility but we have program where we determine if someone will probably be approved for SSI and begin giving services right way. Employment program to supplement their needs. Younger and disabled prefer to have a family member be their caregiver and used to not be possible for state of Oregon to pay family member as caregiver but developing more programs to allow family members to be caregiver.*

1. *Linda: Who owns our local branch office? Mark: we are considered local government triple A organization; Regionally serve five counties and have contracts with local government to provide services. Trained same as state aging and disabilities workers. Budget from legislature – completely government funded. Multnomah also has a triple A and runs the same programs. I manage the office and only certain employees, some employees like adult and protective services are managed by supervisor in Salem. Advisory council of aging people and physically disabled people who advise us and committee guiding force; Executive Director in Salem, at main office.*
 2. *Randy: Invite you back whenever your schedule permits*
- b. *Grant applications– Lisa*
- i. *Rubric draft: Discussed*
 - ii. *Schedule subcommittee meetings: Will do by email*

9. Reports

- a. *County Staff Report*
- i) *Monica: ROCK IT program purpose was to look at county as a whole; asset mapping tool to figure out how all of the community partners can work together as shelters come on-boards, CBH, CCA, Harbor, Helping Hands, Lifeboat services, the Chamber, Law Enforcement and City Manager for Warrenton to figure out how to work together for good communication. Columbia in served 82 people total, 14 people under 18 years old, 6 people under 5 years old, 5 veterans, 17 fleeing domestic violence. Zero tolerance policy for drug use. Low barrier shelter – don't need to be sober to stay there but cannot use on site or come and go to use off site. Congregate shelter rooms and common areas have cameras monitored 24/7. Not video cameras in family or DV rooms. No weapons allowed, animals are allowed but not in common spaces. Why are people hanging out near bike racks? – this is only place they can smoke and it is right outside the office so that they can be monitored. Do not have to leave with all of your belongings every day to provide more stability- know where you will stay at night. Referral based only. Once folks are in a stable environment their medical needs become more obvious and they are referred to the hospital-which might look like an increase in ER visits. Since Helping Hands is same sex only rooms this shelter can now house families together.*
 - (1) *Amy: Columbia Inn has been more flexible than other shelters and that has been a god-send. When you provide this type of shelter there are going to be things that happen but that doesn't take away from all the people they are helping.*
 - ii) *Monica: Funding to CCA to continue shelter operations, rapid re-housing contracted with CCA but all organizations can contact CCA to utilize those*

funds. LifeBoat Services going before board to open shelter. 3.8 million dollars for them is with the State and the contract needs to be agreed upon before we can receive that money to give to them. Helping Hands in Seaside has daytime navigation center and haven't been able to open as shelter because of sprinkler permitting issues but are now operating as an emergency shelter because Millpond has been impacted by rain. Emergency shelter funding is not for inclement weather shelters, only year around. Working on funding for inclement weather shelters also.

iii) Jill: WIC for first time is over case load 490 folks on caseload. Place Matter workshop in July looking at food systems in Clatsop County were able to use the report to write and apply for AmeriCorps VISTA member to address food systems and with WIC.. One Dec 13th having gathering for CHART fully in-person and encouraging the community to come. Workshop around common goals and common language – potluck. Coat donation, bring a friend.

b. County Commissioner Report: N/A

10. Good of the Order:

11. Next meetings:

- *Next meeting Thursday Jan 4, 2024, 3pm-4:30pm*

Adjourn at: 4:34