



Poverty and Homelessness Board

Executive Committee

March 15, 2018

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

H&HS Charnelton Building, Conference Room # 530
151 W. 7th Avenue, Eugene

AGENDA

Time	Topic
11:45 a.m.	Arrival and Lunch
12:00 p.m.	Welcome and Agenda Review
12:05	Follow-Up from Previous Meeting: Approve Minutes of February 5, 2018 Executive Committee meeting Information in Board Packet: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program grant application- LEAGUE work plan
12:10	PHB Terms Expiring- <i>Alex Dreher, Human Services Division- 5 minute update</i>
12:15	Manager Update- <i>Steve Manela, Human Services Division</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Legislative Update- City and County Public Shelter Analysis
12:30	Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program HUD Grant Application- <i>Alex Dreher, Human Services Division</i>
12:45	Quantifying and Communicating Success - <i>Member Discussion</i>
1:15	Wrap up Summarize board decisions, assignments, and next steps
1:20	Call for Agenda Items for April All-Member Meeting
1:25	Public Comment (Individuals who plan to offer comment must sign in with name and contact information prior to beginning of the meeting)
1:35 p.m.	Adjourn

The Poverty and Homeless Board (PHB) is an action oriented group of elected officials, community stakeholders, and individuals who represent low-income and homeless people's concerns. The purpose of the PHB is to create innovative partnerships and programs that use best practices to reduce poverty and homelessness in Lane County. The PHB will work to generate resources, community and legislative support for housing and services to achieve its goals.

Overview for Poverty and Homelessness Board HUD 2018 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP)

Opportunity: US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the 2018 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program. These applications will be used to select up to 11 communities to conduct a planning project and apply for additional project funding. The population to be served by this demonstration program is youth experiencing homelessness, including unaccompanied and pregnant or parenting youth, where no member of the household is older than 24.

HUD reserves the right to fund eligible communities with the highest total score in each of the 10 HUD regions. In making this determination, HUD will also consider the size of the overall population to ensure that urban, suburban, and rural communities are selected.

HUD will take several months to assess the applications and select communities (at which point “applicants” become “selected communities”). This application is for community selection only. Project application will occur after communities have been selected.

Application Due Date: 04/17/2018.

Funding: Each selected community will be eligible to apply to receive a minimum of \$1 million. The amount available to a selected community above \$1 million will be determined based on the percentage of youth among all selected communities that reside in each community and the poverty rate of each community.

Estimated Total Funding: \$43,000,000

Minimum Award Amount: \$1,000,000 Per Budget Period

Maximum Award Amount: \$15,000,000 Per Budget Period

Grant Activities: Once HUD announces the selected communities, the following timeline will apply:

- CoCs will have 4 months to submit a Coordinated Community Plan to prevent and end youth homelessness and up to 4 additional months to address comments from HUD. HUD will assign dedicated teams of technical assistance providers to assist selected communities in analyzing community strengths and needs, developing a coordinated community plan, implementing the plan, and then engaging in a process of continuous quality improvement.
- During plan development, selected communities may apply on a rolling basis equivalent to the value of 30% of the total allocated to the community for project grants designed to implement the Plan. The remaining 70% will become available once a coordinated community plan is approved by HUD. Selected communities can apply up until September 1, 2019 or until the community ceases to participate or the available funds have been depleted (whichever is earlier).
- Communities will be expected to fully participate in national evaluation activities conducted by HUD beginning no earlier than the announcement of community selection.

Lane County's Proposed Approach:

YDHP Lead Agency and Applicant: Lane County Continuum of Care (CoC), Lane County Human Services Division

Geographic Area: Lane County's Target Area for YHDP is the urban core of Eugene and Springfield. Together these cities constitute the second largest urban area in Oregon. Over 71% of the county's youth ages 10-24 live in Eugene and Springfield.

YDHP Team:

- Lane County
- Poverty and Homelessness Board Youth Homelessness Solutions Workgroup
- Youth Action Board (expanded 15th Night Youth Advisory Council)
- 15th Night
- Looking Glass Community Services
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Department of Human Services, District 5
- Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation

Design: The Eugene-Springfield YDHP Team will work with a broad range of community stakeholders to develop and implement a Coordinated Community Plan to prevent and end youth homelessness. To do this, they will build on the work of the Poverty and Homelessness Board and its Youth Homelessness Solutions Workgroup as well as the experience of Youth Action Council of 15th Night in Eugene.

A core component of the YHDP grant application and Coordinated Community Plan design includes active input from youth living in Eugene and Springfield. For the purposes of the grant, 15th Night's Youth Action Council (YAC) are part of the core team developing our grant application. YAC members are youth who are currently homeless, in transition from homelessness, and youth who have never been homeless but want to help.

In order to demonstrate full involvement of the YAC in the development and planning of our YHDP proposal, the YAC need to be recognized as a formal sub-committee of the PHB. The PHB chairs are asked to sign an agreement with the YAC to demonstrate this formal relationship. If awarded, the YAC would expand to add members from Springfield and include homeless or formerly homeless parenting youth. It would also expand its focus to include youth who are homeless and completely disengaged from school as well as those in Springfield.

Project Design for this initial application is still underway. A meeting is being convened and facilitated by Amanda Borta, Program Services Coordinator, Lane County Human Services Division, Monday, March 19th, 3:45-6:00 p.m., 151 W 7th Ave. Room 258, Eugene to help develop a Youth System Map, a visual representation of the local youth crisis response system, to submit with the application. If you are a youth provider or ally, please consider attending to help us create a creative System Map to represent the systems, projects, people, and resources with which youth interact and how youth navigate through the many different spaces within our community. The map also will include clearly aspirational elements that have not yet been implemented. Stipends for participating youth provided by Looking Glass or 15th Night may be available (contact Amanda for details). Those who plan to attend should [RSVP HERE](#).

LEAGUE Work Plan

PRIORITY AREA #1: Safety and Sanitation

GOAL 1: Prevent victimization, assault, and violence among people experiencing homelessness, especially high risk populations within the homeless population (e.g. transgender, young people).	Lead	Timeline
Activities or Action Steps		
a. <i>Information: Connect with existing organizations to learn about services available and efforts to reduce incidence of violence among vulnerable populations.</i>	Tim	April
b. <i>Enhance Services: Explore alternative or additional ways of reporting or getting assistance.</i>	All	Ongoing
GOAL 2: Enhance services for the proper disposal of waste, including human, medical or drug use related, in order to mitigate public health risks to both the homeless population and community at large.	Lead	Timeline
Activities or Action Steps		
a. <i>Information: Identify current resources related to drug use related/medical waste (i.e. needle exchange, etc.)</i>	Cindy/Tim	May
b. <i>Enhance Services: Explore options for the development or expansion of needle exchange programs or alternative safe options for drug or medical waste disposal.</i>	Cindy/Tim	September
c. <i>Enhance Services: Ensure adequate 24 hour access to necessary sanitation facilities, including public restrooms.</i>	Kris	Ongoing
d. <i>Advocacy: Conduct community advocacy targeting businesses, parks, and other entities which have restroom or other facilities accessed by those experiencing homelessness to inquire about potential partnerships.</i>	All	Ongoing

PRIORITY AREA #2: Facilities and Drop-In

GOAL 1: Increase availability of housing/shelter, drop-in, and other facilities utilized by people experiencing homelessness.	Lead	Timeline
Activities or Action Steps		
a. <i>Information: Assist community members and people experiencing homelessness in understanding what resources are available by assisting in developing a System Mapping and Resource Guide that is up to date and accessible.</i>	All	October

b.	<i>Enhance Services: Explore options for increasing availability and access to drop-in facilities that include private spaces for changing rooms, showers, etc.</i>	Vicki/Kris	October
c.	<i>Advocacy: Advocate for additional low-barrier emergency shelter capacity within the community and inform planning efforts for new facilities to ensure we are meeting the needs of those currently unable to access services.</i>	All	Ongoing
GOAL 2: Enhance storage access for people experiencing homelessness, specifically medication storage, day use lockers, long term storage options.		Lead	Timeline
Activities or Action Steps			
a.	<i>Information: Work with HealthCare workgroup of the PHB to determine options for medical supply storage for people experiencing homelessness.</i>	Kris	Ongoing
b.	<i>Enhance Services: Explore alternative or innovative options for additional storage capacity (e.g. closing storage facilities like U-Haul or use of vacant units)</i>	All	September

PRIORITY AREA #3: System Improvement and Accountability			
GOAL 1: Complete annual report to the Poverty and Homelessness Board on the state of the issue of homelessness and recommendations on Strategic Plan.		Lead	Timeline
Activities or Action Steps			
a.	<i>Compile data from a variety of sources including PIT Counts, HMIS, focus groups, interviews with participants and providers, etc. to determine the highest needs within the homeless population.</i>	All	September
b.	<i>Cross reference findings with the Strategic Plan and develop recommendations.</i>	All	October
GOAL 2: Develop a comprehensive participant feedback process to better understand current programming strengths and areas for improvement directly from those utilizing services.		Lead	Timeline
Activities or Action Steps			
a.	<i>Review options for conducting feedback process (focus groups, survey, etc.) and develop process overview document. Process should include method for gathering feedback, review, and follow-up procedures.</i>	Kris/Amanda	May
b.	<i>Implement participant feedback process at all Lane County funded agencies.</i>	Amanda	July