



Poverty and Homelessness Board

Executive Committee

July 20, 2017

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

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

amended 7-19-17

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 May 18, 2017 Approve Coordinated Entry Annual Report/ Danielle Bautista, Andrea Demotropolis Homeless Youth Slot Recommendation/ Kris McAlister
12:10	Housing First Project Team/ Jacob Fox <i>Information/ Discussion</i>
12:40	Discuss Process for Allocation of Additional State Funding/Steve Manela <i>Information/ Discussion</i>
1:05	Homeless Representation on the PHB ▪ Form a Homeless Persons Workgroup to PHB Board Committees <i>Information/ Discussion/ Action</i>
1:15	Wrap up Summarize board decisions, assignments, and next steps
1:20	Planning the <i>next month's</i> Agenda HUD 2017 Continuum of Care Grant Project Prioritization will be the featured item Special Added Executive Committee Meeting August 17, 2017^h
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.

Proposal for ***Lived Experience Advisory Group for Unhoused Engagement (LEAGUE)*** to aid in the work of the Poverty and Homelessness Board's Strategic Plan and accompanying projects.

Objective: Create and maintain an advisory group made up of individuals who are experiencing, or have formerly experienced homelessness, the purpose of which is to:

1. Advise the Poverty and Homelessness Board on projects related to its mission and strategic plan from the perspective of current and formerly homeless individuals.
2. Provide expertise of those with lived experience and gain feedback from those who are currently engaging, or have previously engaged, with the homeless service system in Lane County.
3. Advocate for the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Lane County and ensure a strong voice of those with lived experience is represented in all aspects of the Poverty and Homelessness Board.

This group should consist of no less than 100% homeless or formerly homeless persons. Efforts will be made to capture a diversity of membership and experiences including, but not limited to: past or current engagement with various types of housing and services; race, ethnicity, and cultural background; youth; domestic violence; and people with disabilities. The workgroup will meet regularly or as frequently as is needed, and on special agenda items.

A work plan will be developed which will include both short- and long-term action items to be considered by the advisory group. This work plan will be brought to the Poverty and Homelessness Board for consideration.



Lane County
CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APPLICATION

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APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: Gabby Merkwan	DATE: 7-5-17
NAME OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE: HSD Poverty and Homelessness Board	PLEASE CHECK ONE: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Application for Reappointment

1. Give a brief description of the experience or training that qualifies you for membership on this advisory committee (If you wish, you may attach a resume or other pertinent material.) i'll be 22 in September and have been homeless in Eugene off and on since I was 15. I mainly couchsurf until I pitched a tent two years ago. I just got into housing with the help of Hosea & NEDCO.
2. Why do you want to become a member of this committee, and what specific contributions do you hope to make? I believe I have a voice because I've been through it and want to make it easier on other people going thru it, and to tell people there is hope. I have used all the services for homeless youth so I know.
3. List the community concerns related to this committee that you would like to see addressed if you are appointed. I'm interested in youth housing and shelter. I also want to talk about how EPD deals with homeless youth.
4. Briefly describe your present or past involvement in relevant community groups. (Having no previous involvement will not disqualify you for appointment.) Volunteered with Hosea to get kids to 15th night meetings.
5. Lane County is committed to reflecting diverse cultures on its boards/committees and does not discriminate against any person on the basis of gender, race, color, national origin, religion, disability, or age in employment or in admission, treatment, or participation in its programs, services, and activities. If selected, how would you contribute to this effort? I don't discriminate and appreciate diversity.
6. Are you currently serving on any Advisory Boards or Committees? If so, which ones?
NO
7. Are you employed by, have any business, contractual arrangements or family connections with programs having contractual agreements with the County or that might be within the purview of the committee on which you are seeking appointment? (If there is a change in your circumstances, please advise the staff for the committee within 30 days.)
☒ No ☐ Yes Specify:
8. How did you learn about this vacancy? ☐ Newspaper ☐ Word of mouth ☒ Other:
Stacey from NEDCO
9. In which County Commissioner District do you reside? please check one: Whitaker area
☒ Unsure ☐ West Lane County ☐ Springfield ☐ South Eugene ☐ North Eugene ☐ East Lane County

*The Board of Commissioners has adopted the following policy on reappointments:

a. Members of County advisory groups will serve a maximum of two consecutive terms when term lengths are three or more years in length.

b. The deadline for incumbent applications will be the same as the deadline for new applications.

* Unless waived by the Board.

