

Coordinating Committee to End Homelessness (CCEH) Meeting Minutes – January 18th, 2012

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Agenda Topic	Discussion Points	Outcomes / Decisions / Next Steps
Updates	• Multnomah County's One Night Shelter Count will be conducted on January 25th, 2012. If your organization participates and you haven't been contacted, let Tiffany Kingery know. • The Multnomah County Board approved \$780,00 in increased funding for winter family services to provide additional housing placement funds and shelter support. • The PHB budget process is currently underway and there will be a series of public hearings for organizations to testify on the importance of funding for their programs. Prospective budget cuts to CDBG, HOME and City General Funds will have a big impact on services. An update on the status of One-Time General Funds will be available in April. • An overnight sleeping resolution was passed by City Council in December 2011 which allows for nonprofits and faith organizations to allow up to four cars or RV's to park overnight on their property. Participating agencies are encouraged to provide restrooms, electricity and water. Guidelines are currently being drafted. No tents are currently allowed under this ordinance. • The Veteran's Community Resource and Referral Center will open in the next couple of months at 308 SW 1st Avenue from 7 am to 5 pm. The center will assist veterans with services, VA benefits, SSI, SSDI and employment. There will be four social workers on staff and possibly a small medical clinic. The center hopes to collaborate with service providers to help fill gaps where services for vets are still needed. • Right to Dream Too is a rest area on NW 4th and Burnside which assists an average of 70 people per night to have a place to rest. The rest area assists guests in finding housing and jobs and supports them in gaining confidence and becoming empowered to advocate for themselves and others.	• Contact Tiffany Kingery for more information: Ph: (503) 988-6295 Ext. 22728 • Contact Ryan Deibert at: Ryan.Deibert@portlandoregon.gov or (503) 823-2368 • Contact Cathy Spofford at: Catherine.Spofford@va.gov or (503) 220-8262, Ext. 51303 • Contact Ibrahim Mubarak at: right2dreamtoo@gmail.com or 503-839-9992

	• A subcommittee was formed to work on issues surrounding representative payees and a shortage of representative payees to assist all those who need the service. Anyone with stories of people in need are encouraged to inform and/or work with the subcommittee. • The Multnomah County Bed Bug Working Group has sent out a survey about the main issues surrounding bed bugs. For more information, contact Ben Duncan. • The state legislature will convene on February 1st to begin budget discussions on housing and homelessness. Revenue forecasts are down and there could be significant cuts to these programs and advocates will have to fight to protect safety net programs and services.	• Contact Shannon Singleton at: shannon.singleton@cascadiabhc.org or (503) 827-3949, Ext. 638 • Contact Ben Duncan at: benjamin.e.duncan@multco.us or (503) 988-3400 • Contact: Alison McIntosh at: (503) 226-3001 x107 or amcintosh@neighborhoodpartnerships.org.
Winter Shelter and Services Update	• The Family Winter Shelter at Eastminster Presbyterian Church (12505 NE Halsey, Portland) accepts walk-ins and won't turn away any family. The shelter, along with the Daybreak and Goose Hollow shelters have helped to house 48 families already this year and another 30 families are in the process of getting housed. • The additional funds from Multnomah County helped to get the backlog cleared out. • The Salvation Army men's shelter has added staff and has a small day center for those signed up to access services. Criminal history and employment are major issues with getting men housed this year. • The TPI women's warming center reached capacity within the first month of opening. They have expanded their capacity to now assist up to 85 women per night. • The Janus youth shelter has capacity for 35 year round for 16-24 year olds. • The Red Cross Emergency Warming Center had 72 guests during the first night of that last severe weather event. • 211 is open until midnight on severe weather nights this year and will give better access to real time information. • The Union Gospel Mission will take anyone in, but no pets are allowed when the weather is at 30 degrees or below. • The SAFES day center continues to operate at capacity.	• For information and capacity of winter weather shelters and services, contact 211info by dialing: 2-1-1
10 Year Plan Reset Committee Survey	• A committee was formed to get new energy and momentum around the second half of the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness. • An RFP has been released to get a facilitator for the reset process. • The CCEH Steering Committee invites CCEH's input. The survey is available online.	• Access the CCEH 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness Reset Survey: http://kwiksurveys.com?s=OLMIN_716a14a3