

**Rural Oregon Continuum of Care
March 23, 2011**

Meeting Attendance	
Ann Brown, OHCS	
Ben Atchley, Homeless Advocate	Denise Sitler - DOC
Lee Pate, Trueman Center	Marci McMurphy, CAPECO
Richard Mathews - OHCS	Patty Gouveia, ORCCA
Peggy Yarbor, CinA	Joann Zimmer, Homeless advocate
Erin Skaar - CARE	Coleen Trogdon, OHCS
Lynn Adams, OHCS	Jeff Hensley - CCNO
Bob More, Homeless Advocate	Rachael Marble
Lindsay Combs - YCAP	Mary Carroll, OHCS
Anna Benson, LBHA	Steve Sanden – Bay Area First Steps
Donna Bowman - KLCAS	Laura More - ORCCA
Vicki Massey - OHCS	Lea Seavy – OASIS – Gold Beach
Michelle Grimaldo - CinA	Sonja Hart - EOAF

Introductions and Announcements:

This is the first meeting we are doing via the GoTo Meeting function rather than using the DHS Video Conferencing.

Housing Inventory Charts

Ann gave an update about the Housing Inventory charts. This is a requirement of the HUD SHP grants. Each project sponsor is responsible for supplying information to complete the overall housing inventory for the ROCC.

HMIS Sub Committee:

Point in Time Count – Ann gave an overview. We are almost done statewide with the data input. Next will be the clean-up and then comparing #'s to ensure the #'s that will be released locally will be the same #'s the state releases.

Marci asked about the HMIS meeting that was being held later in the afternoon at OHCS and via GoTo Meeting. Ann clarified that the people participating in the meeting were representatives from the 5 Continua who use OPUS. The ROCC representatives are: Marci McMurphy, Justina Fyfe, Laura More, Corenne Stewart, Martha Olmstead and Steve Sanden. Ann

advised if anyone had comments or concerns to contact one of the HMIS committee members.

Committees:

ROCC Training sub committee:

SOAR Peer training committee report: Brief question and answer period regarding SOAR. Lynn Adams and Mary Carroll will help with getting the ROCC committee established.

Permanent Housing sub-committee:

Ben talked about moving from TH to PH using scattered site leasing.

Discussion re: PH and what definitions are being used.

Mary advised that the last National Alliance to End Homelessness conference held a session on transforming your community from TH to PH. There may be some materials we can access to review. Using SOAR to move people into permanent housing is one method.

Policies and Procedures sub-committee:

Joann Zimmer reported that the PSU internship is moving along and we should be able to have an intern in place soon. Ann went briefly over the last minutes from this committee – the committee is having discussions around participation in the ROCC. They are also discussing having a written report published on what the ROCC has accomplished every year. By-laws are being prepared to be presented at the June in-person meeting.

Discussion about the June in-person meeting - Marci volunteered to host the meeting on June 22, 2011 in Pendleton.

Report from EHAC:

Marci reported that the next meeting is April 15th. She would like to present the PIT and give an update on HMIS.

Mary gave an update about the contract with the Corporation for Supportive Housing and working with Heather Lyons. They will be working in 21 counties to help them develop their Ten Year Plans to End Homelessness. They are in the process now of gathering information – they will be working with local stakeholders – they will set up 3 charettes to bring the stakeholders together.

EHAC hosted a Supportive Services for Veterans and Families – several Oregon agencies applied for this 50 million dollar grant.

EHAC is looking at the HEARTH Academy that the state of Washington is presenting at their annual homeless conference in May. We would like to have the same Academy in Oregon this summer.

EHAC is looking at setting up a different model and structure of stakeholders. They are looking at what other states have in place.

Reports:

Region 1: Coos/Curry/Josephine/Douglas

- ORCCA – No report
- UCAN - No report

Region 2: Klamath/Lake/Harney/Malheur

- No report

Region 3: Baker/Union/Wallowa/Grant

- Jeff Hensley, CCNO – finishing up work plans, working on the housing inventory chart and CSBG reports.

Region 4: Hood River/Wasco/Sherman/Gilliam/
Wheeler/Morrow/Umatilla

- Marci McMurphy, CAPECO – they are working with the local ministerial association to have a homeless summit on May 13. Ben has been invited as a speaker as well as Paul Carlson with the United States Interagency on Housing and Homelessness. They are also planning for their Project Homeless Connect on Oct 15, 2011.

Region 5: Columbia/Clatsop/Tillamook/Yamhill

- No report

Region 6: Lincoln/Benton/Linn

- Ben advised that Benton County is working on a Housing 1st model. May 12th will be the next Heart to Heart Homeless Connect event. They will have DMV there to assist with ID's.

Mary advised that DMV is a member of EHAC and they will send staff to Project Homeless Connect events to assist with ID's.

Lea Seavy – OASIS – Gold Beach – they have lost the homeless shelter in Brookings and are working to figure out how to get it started again.

Rachael Marble – talked about financial assistance curriculum.

Vicki Massey – OHCS gave information about Rent Readiness and the Landlord Guarantee program. Discussion - issues and concerns about finding landlords willing to rent to hard to house individuals and families.

****Next meeting April 29, 2011 from 8:30 – 11:00 am at the OCHH conference in Hood River. There should be a call in option.****