

## Oregon Statewide Unhoused Response & Recovery Network for COVID-19 and Wildfires

Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> 2021 from 10:00 – 11:15 am

[Meeting Recording](#)

### Agenda Items and Discussion

#### Introductions, Welcome, and Updates – 10 min

*Zoom Meeting format; upcoming in-focus session on FEMA Public Assistance & Non-Congregate Shelter- where is your community currently in this process?; new Project Turnkey project will be announced soon; local Vaccine Outreach and Distribution planning for people experiencing homelessness*

Connor  
McDonnell

#### Oregon Housing & Community Services Housing Stabilization Updates – 15 min

Emergency Rental Assistance and Supporting Tenants Accessing Rental Relief (STARR) program

Mike Savara

#### Local / Regional Updates by Continuum of Care (CoC) Geographic Areas – 30 min

*Please provide approximately a 2-4-minute update. Here are a few prompting questions:*

- General community update on communities' homeless service response system (and on items such as local Vaccine outreach and planning and FEMA Reimbursement for PA
- What has been going well past two weeks?
- What is an anticipated upcoming challenge?

[Local Designated Point-of-Contact](#) (can be located on page pg. 2)

#### State Agency Updates– 10 min

- Oregon Housing & Community Services
- Oregon Health Authority
- Dept. of Human Services

#### Ensuring Shelters, Homeless Service Providers, and those Experiencing Homelessness are Prepared for COVID - 10 mins

OHA Public Health Epidemiologists

#### Any additional items & adjourn:

Next meeting will be Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 10 – 11:15 am

COVID-19 Homeless Populations Taskforce			
Statewide Regional Updates - February 26, 2021			
Continuum of Care	Counties	Name	Summarized Update
OR 504- Salem, Marion, Polk Counties CoC	Marion, Polk	Jan Calvin	Performance measure for HUD, looking at access point for coordinate entry program. Looking at the summer launch of the new HMIS
OR 507- Clackamas County Coc	Clackamas	Abby Ahern	Hit with ice storm and power outages has been as some people are still out of power. Staff exhausted from so many response requirements. Looking at Vaccine planning for unhoused neighbors. Using same resource that provides flu shot to that community.
	Grant, Union, Wallowa, Baker	Chris Evans	Keeping an eye on warming station when weather starts to improve, looking at closure dates and planning.
	Hood River, Wasco, Sherman	Alisa Fowler	Ice Storm emergency coordination in the local area has been prominent. We have been able to move those needing housing into hotel/motel program. Fatigue is being felt.
	Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilla, Wheeler	Susie	Continue to push out Rent relief, a couple steps closer to open up shelter. Working with local warming station to help support bringing folks into the hotel/motel program. Fatigue is felt.
	Lincoln, Benton, Linn	Dina Eldridge	Housing in hotel/motel program. No existing shelters to downsize, large shelter in community changed management and this is a positive for neighbors in need. Just opened revamped application system online (STARR), it is working well.
	<b>Unavailable Areas</b>	Marion, Polk, Washington, Josephine, Douglas, Harney, Malheur, Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Yamhill, Lane, Klamath, Lake, Josephine, Douglas, Coos, Curry, Deschutes, Crook, Jefferson, Jackson, Multnomah	
Meeting Discussion Topic			
COVID-19 Homeless System Responses	John Gilvar, Health and Housing Equity Consultant	John Gilvar gave a presentation on 1/29/21 that can be found <a href="#">here</a> . Interim Guidance on COVID-19 Vaccination Implementation from the CDC to Local public health can be found <a href="#">here</a> (2/2/21). COVID-19 Homeless System Response: Vaccine Planning and Distribution materials can be <a href="#">found here</a> . HUD Exchange COVID-19 Planning and Response for Homeless Assistance Providers Office hours can be found <a href="#">here</a> .	
Ensuring Shelters, Homeless Service	OHA Public Health	<a href="#">Link to Public Notice</a>	

Providers, and those Experiencing Homelessness are prepared for COVID	Epidemiologists		
Connor McDonnell	LCF		Landlord Compensation Fund Webpage is <a href="#">linked HERE</a>
Mike Savara	Rental Assistance - STAR Program		\$50M investment from special sessions, linking tenants with the Landlord Compensation Fund - Distributed through CAPO tunnels at 80% AMI requirement, working to have it live by Mid-February
Matt Rasmussen	Runaway Youth Program		Next week regional planning begins. Been asking by TA providers, data collection, PIT and Child Welfare to gather as much HMIS about young people that are being served (17 and under) & (18-24yrs). <a href="#">Web link is HERE</a>
	James Barta		SNAP resources are available for those that may have lost their cards during the wildfires, you can <a href="#">apply for services online</a> or via phone.
	Robert Patterson		Putting together an outreach project in Eugene-Springfield with the goal of vaccinating PEH against COVID-19. If anyone can help or is aware of similar successful programs in their area, etc., then please contact me at <a href="mailto:robertjohnsonpatterson@gmail.com">robertjohnsonpatterson@gmail.com</a> . Thanks.
	Rosemary		ODHS CW, Youth Transition Programs anticipates having a significant amount of funds to assist any young person who was in foster care on or after the age of 14 and is not yet 26. I will provide more details when we have more details nailed down. But if you have any way to determine if you are working with a former foster youth, you might start checking in with them on needs. Funds will be flexible. Email <a href="mailto:ILP.Central@dhsosha.state.or.us">ILP.Central@dhsosha.state.or.us</a> . When I have flyers, I will ask for time for a full presentation.