Oregon Disaster Housing Task Force Meeting

Meeting Summary - Thursday January 21st at 2:30pm

Opening Remarks

Kim opened the meeting and then turned it over to Caleb Yant, OHCS Deputy Director to provide opening comments. He highlighted the request for feedback regarding task force membership, the draft charter, actions that need to be developed around housing strategies, and next steps. Kim then went over the agenda and talked about housekeeping. She thanked people for their flexibility with the new process of pre-registration for the meeting to assign participants to break-out groups. She noted we'll try a new tool during the meeting: EasyRetro.

• ODHTF Charter and Membership – Chair Kim Travis

Kim went over the Charter; noting the nexus to SRF 5 with respect to participating agencies, and the charge to produce a Disaster Housing Recovery Action Plan. She noted the benefit of adding Regional Solutions Coordinators to the membership, perhaps as technical advisors. Alex Campbell would like to see local entities included in the ODHTF. It was noted that the Task Force is expected to adopt the charter at the next meeting 2/4, two weeks from today and the Charter will be posted on the ODHTF webpage once final. One of the Task Force next steps is to take the barriers and challenges identified during the previous meeting to action steps.

Michael Morter posted a chat and reference to a meeting hosted by Realtors on housing in Oregon. <u>That PowerPoint presentation is available HERE</u> from 1/7/2021. Suggested the Task Force include the contractor community, so we better understand bandwidth as Oregon rebuilds.

- <u>Disaster Housing Recovery Action Plan & Feedback</u>
 Participants were broken into 2 small Group Discussion to review the Disaster Housing Recovery Action Plan Framework and provide initial feedback.
- FEMA Updates & Programs Toney Raines, Sarah Mahlik, and Anita "AJ" Jeanette Sarah gave a direct housing update: 86 families are licensed in; all in Jackson County. FEMA has a site under development in Mill City. In Lincoln County, they have a lease agreement for a site nearly finished. She talked about how zoning and permitting issues are extending timelines and some costs. Rose with CASA Oregon asked what sort of housing. Sarah said they are group sites, emergency housing sites. She said when they are done with the program, FEMA takes everything out and puts it back the way it was, unless the owner of the land wants to keep the infrastructure.
- Housing Impact Assessment Next Steps Roger Jacobs, HUD
 Roger said the survey went out to roughly 125 stakeholders and received about a
 43% response rate. Roger broke out responses based on Short-term or Long-term
 recovery concerns and barriers. Upcoming community engagements will focus on
 gathering more data at the local levels. The goal is to complete the Housing Impact
 Assessment by the end of February 2021. Wildfire Housing Recovery Community
 Survey Results







• Partner Update

There were no partner updates but a question about about manufactured housing and space rents before the disaster and how things have changed, i.e., the predisaster market conditions. There are concerns around the possibility of increased space rents in new construction development post the wildfires.

• Wrap up - Chair Kim Travis

Meeting Adjourn

References:

Oregon Disaster Housing Task Force: https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/get-involved/Pages/oregon-disaster-housing-task-force.aspx

Wildfire Damage Housing Relief: https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/housing-assistance/Pages/program-wildfire-damage-housing-relief.aspx

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| Next Meeting: | Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 2:30pm |

