

MID-WILLAMETTE HOMELESS INITIATIVE

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

September 19, 2016

All recommendations approved by Task Force 09/19/16

AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE

1. Advocate for the development and implementation of a Multi-Jurisdictional Development Team through a collective Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for coordination of funding sources.
2. Advocate for funding allocations across the State of Oregon from Oregon Housing and Community Services to reflect the poverty levels through American Community Survey (ACS) and Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed (ALICE) data in each area including homeowners and those currently without housing and to use current, local demographic information in the scoring process.
3. Advocate for reinstatement of the Federal Tax Credit for homebuyers for up to \$8,000 per household.

HEALTH AND HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE

1. Develop a Landlord Assessment Tool for assisting high barrier clients in obtaining housing.
2. In anticipation of the Oregon Health Authority's Medicaid 1115 waiver renewal and Coordinated Health Partnerships planning, the Health and Housing Subcommittee recommends that the Mid-Willamette Homeless Initiative Task Force endorses and supports Willamette Valley Community Health Coordinated Care Organization in taking the lead role in the pursuit of a regional Coordinated Health Partnership on contingency that the waiver is approved by the Center for Medicaid Services.

FOCUS GROUPS/COALITION COORDINATION

1. Conduct surveys and focus groups of homeless youth and adults, and the general population to gauge community perceptions and attitudes about homelessness, and better understand the needs of local homeless.

PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE

1. Prioritize runaway and homeless youth as our major focus.
 - a. Work to identify gaps in services and resources needed to fill the gaps.
 - b. Move forward with a grants conceptual group to expand homeless and runaway services in Marion/Polk counties.
2. Endorse phase one of the Marion County District Attorney's Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion plan as presented at the Mid-Willamette Homeless Initiative Task Force and Marion County Public Safety Coordinating Council meetings.

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SUPPORT SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE

1. Collaborate with the school districts within Marion and Polk Counties to expand effective and relevant financial literacy training in schools through proven curriculum materials and community trainers.
2. Support NEDCO, Maps Credit Union, and others in implementing site-based financial literacy training at community organizations.