

## **Stable Housing and Supports**

Regional Health Improvement Plan Workgroup

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Friday, November 18, 2022 10:30am-12:00pm

### **Future State Metrics**

- 1. By December 2023, decrease the combined severely rent and mortgage burdened households in Central Oregon by 2 percentage points to 16%.
- 2. By December 2023, 50% of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) holders will be able to find and lease a housing unit.
- 3. By December 2023, a comprehensive system for accurately capturing the extent of Central Oregonians experiencing homelessness will be in place and utilized.

#### **AGENDA**

10:30 - 10:45 Welcome & Announcements

10:45 - 12:00 Organizing to Advocacy

 An introduction to system change through advocacy. A conversation with Carmen Madrid, ED COHC.

Google Slides: <a href="https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1NFn88z5gXBzUMGFy\_EyuxF9F4kji841Guluj-TFIOkg/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1NFn88z5gXBzUMGFy\_EyuxF9F4kji841Guluj-TFIOkg/edit?usp=sharing</a>

Budget: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Gw9dL6ilRe1olGhJRMloxg9pEUofJ-KzU5WnscBbEX8/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Gw9dL6ilRe1olGhJRMloxg9pEUofJ-KzU5WnscBbEX8/edit?usp=sharing</a>

## **Land Acknowledgment**

We recognize and acknowledge the indigenous land on which we live, work, learn, play, and grow. This is the land of the Warm Springs, Wasco, Northern Paiute, Tenino, Klamath, Molalla, and Yahooskin. We acknowledge them as the past, present, and future caretakers of this land. It is on their traditional land that we partner to improve the health and well-being of Central Oregonians. We aspire to be good guests honoring the concept in the Warm Springs culture: "This land is for you to know and live upon and pass on to the children."

## Stable Housing & Supports

RHIP Workgroup Virtual Meeting



## **Guiding Principles**

### **Shared Focus**

We come together to improve the health and well-being of individuals living in various and diverse communities throughout Central Oregon region. We use the Regional Health Improvement Plan (RHIP) as our guide. It is our region's shared vision of current problems and our aims. As workgroup partners we develop agreed-upon actions to solve the issues and keep the needs of our communities as the main focus.

#### **Shared Metrics**

We measure progress, process and outcomes through a shared lens. We use the Regional Health Assessment (RHA), Regional Health Improvement Plan and community dashboard.

### **Partner with Priority Populations**

The individuals living in our diverse Central Oregon communities are the center of our work. We make every effort to include people from every part of the region in our workgroups, discussions, processes and decisions.

#### **Collaborate to Solve Complex Issues**

Inviting diverse perspectives from throughout the Central Oregon region deepens our shared understanding of complex issues and propels us toward better progress and outcomes. We practice frequent, structured, open communication to build trust, assure shared objectives, and create common motivation. We respect the privacy and sensitivity of information partners share.

#### **Coordinate Collective Efforts**

We are made up of diverse partner organizations and individuals with unique strengths, skills, and resources. We coordinate our efforts and use our unique strengths and skills to meet the goals of the RHIP.

### **Learn and Adapt Together**

We embrace shared learning and a growth mindset. We create a space that allows for mistakes, failures, second changes, and a celebration of brave attempts. We adjust and apply our learnings to the complex and changing landscape of health and well-being in Central Oregon.

## **Stable Housing and Supports**

## Background: Why are we talking about this?

**1990s** Mill Closures / Timber Industry Decline Federal Housing Policy

**2000s** Population Growth in Central Oregon

Housing shortage
The Great Recession

Wage Vs. Housing Costs
Single Income Households

Stable, healthy housing is a basic need. Insecure housing and an unhealthy living environment impact both physical and behavioral health conditions. By spending much of their income on housing, individuals and families must cut corners on other living expenses such as food, transportation, and medications, which can also significantly influence their health outcomes and overall well-being.

Date updated:

Workgroup:

Creating and increasing housing resources and opportunities

Strategic Direction: What are we going to try?

Developing and implementing advocacy strategies for housing policies and zoning

Aligning efforts across systems to address the housing crisis and homelessness

Educating the public to increase understanding and de-stigmatize housing needs

## **Current Condition: What's happening right now?**

- In 2017, 18% of Central Oregonians paid more than half of their income for rent and mortgage
- In Central Oregon, minority households experience more housing challenges than their white counterparts
- Central Oregon has a critical shortage of supportive housing units to meet the needs of people with disabilities, with co-occurring mental health or substance use disorders, and/or extended history of homelessness

#### **Current State Metrics:**

- 1. In 2017, 18% of Central Oregon households were severely rent or mortgage burdened
- 2. In 2018, only 30% of Housing Choice Voucher holders were able to find and lease a housing unit
- 3. No system to determine an accurate number of those experiencing homelessness exists in Central Oregon

## Goal Statement: Where do we want to be in 4 years?

## Aim/Goal

Central Oregonians experiencing homelessness and those most at-risk of homelessness will have increased and equitable access to housing and supports that offer opportunities for stability and increased individual well-being. **Future State Metrics -** By December 2023:

- 1. Decrease severely rent and mortgage-burdened households
- 2. Increase Housing Choice Voucher holders able to find and lease a unit
- 3. Accurately capture Central Oregonians experiencing homelessness

## Analysis: What's keeping us from getting there?

- Inaccurate and accurate assumptions reduce acceptance of diverse housing
- Housing cost & supply outweigh wealth & income
- Uncoordinated common advocacy goals, problems & efforts
- Inconsistent disjointed & inaccurate systems of data collection
- Housing is considered a commodity not a human necessity
- Prohibitive income & background requirements



Version:

Focused	I Implementation: What are o	our specific a	ctions? (who.	
	hen, where?)	•	,	
coic	Regional Housing Council (Pilot)	2021-2023	Region	
FUSE	Permanent Supportive Housing	2021-2024	Region	-
HLC	Housing Case Management Infrastructure	2021-2024	Region	
Follow-l	Up: What's working? What ha	ave we learn	ed?	
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## Stable Housing and Supports

	Root Cause Barriers: What is blocking us from moving toward our future state measures?							
Inaccurate and accurate assumptions reduce acceptance of diverse housing	Housing is considered a commodity not human necessity	Uncoordinated common advocacy goals, problems and efforts	Prohibitive income & background requirements	Housing cost / supply outweigh wealth and income	Inconsistent, disjointed, & inaccurate systems of data collection			
Landlord perceptions of Housing Choice Vouchers Program	Empty seasonal and investment homes	Unformed Central Oregon Housing Advocacy org.	Qualifying factors creating barriers for rentals/hcvs	Construction labor shortages	Area Median Income policy is not representative of population			
Willingness/fear to admit homelessness and seek services	Decrease housing stock/increase pop.	Resource allocated advocacy	Income/ background requirements	Rent/ mortgage burden	Functional Definition of Homelessness			
Community Education/awareness of population is lacking	Density allows more multifamily	501c3 regulations on lobbying	Skills on how to interview for housing	Living wages	Service provider access to system to document/ count			
Negative assumptions of voucher holders	Land use UGB limitations	Language barriers to advocacy	Security deposit up front	Wealth/Income gap	Homeless Count- Definition of Homeless			
Public policy is discriminatory			Eviction and Credit Barriers		Resources does not support actionable data			
Systemic racism			High application fees					
Community of not welcoming low income housing			Felony Background					

## STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS: What Moves Us Toward Our 2023 Practical Visions

Create New Affordable Housing Opportunities	Develop Renter Supports	
<ul> <li>Development of housing that is affordable to individuals who ear 80%, 60%, and 30% and less of area median income</li> <li>Partner with AirBnB for short-term housing in the off-season</li> <li>Develop process for transitional housing</li> <li>Develop subsidized housing and market rate housing for people who depend on local wages</li> <li>Partner with developers to build affordable housing</li> <li>Fund Housing Works and EPIC Properties</li> <li>Create incentives for landlords to be more flexible</li> <li>Create a landlord mitigation program to cover liability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide a security deposit fund</li> <li>Develop a class to prepare for housing interviews</li> <li>Support housing barriers removal fund (rental assistance, deposit, utility, property debt forgiveness)</li> <li>Translation of housing-related outreach materials</li> <li>Enforce existing tenant rights regulations</li> </ul>	Creating and increasing housing resources and opportunities

Advocate for Local Zoning     Align building of all levels of housing with transportation networks, walkable areas, and food access  Expect and for most protective level and increase and nelicine to prioritize the presentation.	<ul> <li>Advocate for State Policy</li> <li>Advocate for more vouchers</li> <li>Review the Oregon Housing Alliance 2020 endorsements. Ask</li> </ul>	Developing and
<ul> <li>Enact and/or restructure local ordinances and policies to prioritize the preservation</li> <li>Inclusionary zoning and restructuring the Construction Excise Tax</li> <li>Amend local zoning to allow for variety of housing types</li> <li>Local ordinances to prioritize housing preservation and production to serve low and middle income</li> <li>Work directly with communities to co-create policies, programs and strategies to ensure that housing interventions are equitable and culturally responsive</li> <li>Identify and implement strategies to work collaboratively with organizations whose activities advance health equity and promote health in all policies</li> </ul>	them what is a priority in the next legislative session  Differentiate between advocacy & lobbying	implementing advocacy strategies for housing policies and zoning

#### **Collaborate to Serve People Unify our Community Approach Experiencing Homelessness** Develop partnerships with Need regional housing council group or add more building and landlords to Health Council agencies that serve Identify and resource existing housing advocacy groups to be point of contact and lead city/city marginalized homeless council housing issues working with state advocacy groups populations Build coordination/ partnership/ transparency/ de-duplicate efforts between regional housing actors Incorporate people with lived (HLC, Housing Works, NeighborImpact, H4A, county, city, COHC) experience of homelessness Create a regional housing council (Housing 4 All? Reach out to Scott) and housing insecurity into Develop a method for counting that can be used by all identifying gaps and goals Better, robust (coordinated) continuum of care/ data collection "HLC" Build community coalition Which system works best? Then consolidate, streamline, create centralized dashboard. Have an capacity to address health entity that holds this and funds this. inequities related to substance Involve relevant stakeholder to update regional 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness. Assess gaps & use and mental health include tangible goals & responsibilities Collaborate with law Identify and implement strategies to assure more diverse representation on local committees enforcement to ensure critical Ensure that members of this workgroup have access to information about current needs (are metrics connection for outreach to still relevant?)

individuals experiencing

homelessness

Aligning efforts across systems to address the housing crisis and homelessness

Education to increase understanding and access	Educate the Public	
<ul> <li>Education campaign about vouchers</li> <li>Education/ Info campaign for landlords/ property management groups about the benefit of HUD vouchers</li> <li>Provide culturally appropriate training, engagement and education for landlords and housing service providers</li> <li>Develop a PR campaign about vouchers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop forums and other opportunities to educate elected officials and other decision-makers on the housing crisis and the nexus between insecure housing and health</li> <li>Build awareness of existing affordable housing policies, projects, and what various funding sources are currently used for (ESG, SHAP, HOME, Sec. 8, CoC, CDBG, LIHTC, etc.)</li> <li>Identification of commodity, education campaign about housing as expensive commodity</li> </ul>	Educating the public to increase understanding and de-stigmatize housing needs

# **Five-Year Investment Overview All Workgroups**January 2020–December 2024

Budget	Spent	Available
\$12,000,000	\$7,046,943	\$4,953,057

Workgroup	Spent	Available
Address Poverty	\$941,994	\$1,058,006
Behavioral Health	\$1,879,623	\$120,377
Physical Health	\$1,116,132	\$883,868
Stable Housing	\$1,119,654	\$880,346
Substance and Alcohol Misuse	\$581,214	\$1,418,786
Upstream Prevention	\$1,408,326	\$591,674.00

## **HOUSING** 2022 Budget

### Overview

	Budget	Spent	Available
5-Year	\$2,000,000	\$1,119,654	\$880,346
Cycle to Date	\$1,000,000	\$1,119,654	-\$119,654
Yearly	\$500,000	\$10,000	-\$119,654
Yearly Mini- Grant		\$10,000	\$10,000

By Future State Measure (5 year)						
	Budget*	Spent	Available	Currently Allocated	Projected Available	Notes
Rent Mortgage Burden	\$651,666.67	\$117,500.00	\$534,166.67		\$534,166.67	
Housing Choice Vouchers	\$651,666.67	\$574,827.00	\$76,839.67		\$76,839.67	
System for Counting Houselessness	\$651,666.67	\$407,327.00	\$244,339.67		\$244,339.67	

<sup>\*</sup>Budget for each FSM reflects the agreed upon 5 year 'soft budget' minus the portion contributed to shared minigrant budget.

Investments						
Organization	Process	Project	Award	Decision Date	Future State Measure	Latest Report
		Decreasing Rent				

Decreasing Rent and Mortgage Burden Through

Social

St. Vincent De Determinant Paul Redmond Mini-Grant Supports

Rent and Mortage Burden

\$5,000.00 7.15.2022

Habitat for Critical Home

Rent and Mortage

Humanity La Pine Sunriver Repairs- Southern Deschutes County Mini-Grant

\$5,000.00 8.15.2022

Burden