



HOPE Advisory Board

January 2022 Public Meeting

Meeting facilitated by HOPE Coordinator, Julie Arena

1/26/22



Zoom Housekeeping

- All attendees are muted when they join.
- All attendees can unmute themselves and choose to be seen visually by clicking “Start Video” at the bottom of the screen.
- **Public comment:**
 - Type your name into the “Chat” area, say you want to make a public comment, and on what topic.
 - Example: “Julie – public comment – crisis response.”
 - For those on the phone, there will be an opportunity to comment, too.
- **Questions during the meeting:**
 - Type into the “Chat” area and send it to host, Julie Arena.

Meeting Agenda

1. Meeting Overview, Agreements and Culture.....4:00pm
2. Public Comment for up to 10 minutes.....4:00pm
3. Roll call and approve November 2021 meeting minutes4:10pm
4. Educational Component: Data analysis with trends over time for the Point in Time homelessness count and local shelter admission data and capacity.
Guest Presenter: Brad Smith4:15pm
5. Introductions and recent updates from each of the HOPE Board members.....4:45pm
6. Co-Chairs Duties and Benefits.....5:15pm
7. Recruitment priorities for Board vacancies5:25pm
8. Update on implementation of HOPE recommendations in the community.....5:30pm
9. Board discussion about next steps – what role can the HOPE Board play to support implementation of previous recommendations?.....5:40pm



Agreements for our culture + conduct:

Fun

Inclusive ✓✓

humor

Food ✓

Action/roll up sleeves

Change the face of Homelessness

honesty

Respect ✓

Consensus

Think before you speak

Courtesy ✓

transparency

Recognize personal bias

Kindness ✓

time management

Concise communication

Open minded ✓

opinions matter

data driven

Do your homework!

patient

Authentic

Valuing personal experience

dedication/work ethic
honor the expectations of
the work

Public Comment

10 minutes

- Comment limited to 2-3 minutes based on number of people wanting to comment
- Type into the “Chat” and say you want to make a public comment and on what topic.
- For those on the phone, I will ask if there are any public comments from callers.
- Can also submit written comments to the Board via email to Julie.Arena@co.Benton.or.us

Logistics: Vote to approve November 2021 minutes, roll call

Catherine Biscoe

Karyle Butcher

Bruce Butler

Bryan Cotter

Anita Earl

Joel Goodwin

George Grosch

Barbara Hanley

Cindee Lolik*

Charles Maughan*

Pegge McGuire*

Jim Moorefield (co-chair)

Andrea Myhre

Jan Napack*

Reece Stotsenberg (co-chair)

Nancy Wyse*

*Executive Committee Role Members

Educational Component: Data trends

Guest Speaker:
Brad Smith

1. Point in Time (PIT) Count for people experiencing homelessness.
2. Local data from some Corvallis sheltering.

Board Member Changes & Vacancies

- **New role members on HOPE Executive Committee**
 - Business Community: Christina Jancila served the first 2-year term. Cindee Lolik from the Co-Op will serve during the second 2-year term starting in January 2022.
 - County Commissioner: Nancy Wyse transitioning into this role; Xan Augerot transitioning out.
- **Board members who recently moved on:** Janie Tebeau, Aleita Hass-Holcombe, Flip Anderson, Dharma Mirzha.
- **Five vacancies on the board (21 members total).**



16 Board Members on the HOPE Board:

Catherine Biscoe

Karyle Butcher

Bruce Butler

Bryan Cotter

Anita Earl

Joel Goodwin

George Grosch

Barbara Hanley

Cindee Lolik* (Business Community)

Charles Maughan* (Corvallis City Councilor)

Pegge McGuire* (CSC Director)

Jim Moorefield (co-chair on Exec Committee)

Andrea Myhre

Jan Napack* (Corvallis Mayor's Assignee)

Reece Stotsenberg (co-chair on Exec Committee)

Nancy Wyse* (County Commissioner)



*Executive Committee Role Members

Board Member Intros & Updates

1-2 minute introduction of yourself that includes:

- Name, pronouns, organization(s).
- The perspective or viewpoint you bring to the board.
- Any update of news/changes that have occurred since the November meeting.

Co-Chairs Roles & Responsibilities

Serve on the Executive Committee which meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 4-5pm to:

- Determine meeting agendas and scheduling.
- Appoint Advisory Board members when vacancies arise.
- Review and assist the full Advisory Board to align its work with the bylaws.
- Establish any associated committees or ad hoc work groups, define their membership, and provide direction regarding their work.

Run the HOPE Advisory Board meetings in line with the vision that everyone should have the opportunity to live in decent, safe, and affordable housing. Run the meetings in line with the values articulated in the bylaws:

- Use data to drive assessments, prioritization, and accountability.
- Take a comprehensive systems and multi-sector approach.
- Engage and involve the community.
- Prioritize vulnerable populations.
- Promote community safety for all.
- Promote racial and ethnic justice.

Who's on the HOPE Board?

Direct service providers (2):

- Anita Earl, LCSW – Samaritan Homeless Resource Team
- Andrea Myhre – Executive Director at Corvallis Housing First

Service organizations (2):

- Bruce Butler – CEO of IHN-CCO
- Pegge McGuire – Acting Director CSC

Business Owners (2):

- Cindee Lolik
- Reece Stotsenberg

First responders (2):

- Captain Joel Goodwin – Corvallis Police Department
- Bryan Cotter, EMT – Corvallis Fire Department

Government representatives (4):

- Nancy Wyse – Benton County Commissioner
- Jan Napack and Charles Maughan – Corvallis City Councilors
- Catherine Biscoe – Philomath City Council

Members with non-specific affiliation (4):

- Karyle Butcher (LWV Corvallis)
- George Grosch (Kings Valley)
- Barbara Hanley (MPH, public health research, member-at-large)
- Jim Moorefield (retired, former affordable housing developer)



Recruitment priorities: Bylaws require representation from various communities.

Current board make up includes:

- **Mostly white/Caucasian people.**
 - 3 people with race/ethnicity that is mixed race: Caucasian and Indigenous North American (Ojibway/Chippewa); Caucasian and Middle Eastern; and Caucasian and East Indian.
- **2 business owners.**
- **2 have personally experienced homelessness.**
- **3 experienced housing insecurity and poverty.**
- **3 with close family members experiencing homelessness.**

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Recruitment is prioritizing:

- People from communities of color, in particular our Black, Native American, and Hispanic Communities.
- Business owners.
- People who have experienced homelessness.

Update on Implementation of HOPE Recommendations

- Brigetta Olson, City of Corvallis Housing Manager
- Julie Arena, HOPE Coordinator



City, County, CSC, and Provider work to expand Emergency Sheltering

- Improving the **City/County/CSC/ Provider partnership** through regular meetings for information sharing, collaborative planning, and role clarification.
- **City and County** pursuing hosting 4 microshelters at City Hall and 4 at the Fairgrounds. Joint RFP has been released.
- **CSC** added staff capacity to improve data quality and support for providers for training and data reporting.
- Entities are continuing to coordinate on site research, site visits, and vetting for locations for emergency and transitional housing.
- City may apply for up to 750K of capital at State, if site is identified.
- Implementing coordinated entry



Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

- **Corvallis Housing First (CHF)** has secured state and federal funding for development of about 40 units of PSH at 3rd Street Commons. In predevelopment stage working with developers and city on possibilities.
- City and County have funded predevelopment and site improvements.
- City of Corvallis just funded 4 units of PSH with CHF in January 2022

Additional development

- Historic levels of funding at Oregon Housing and Community Services. Over 400 million in available resources for the development of affordable housing .
- Construction of 100 units of affordable rentals begins this Spring, Commonwealth. Site is high density residential.
- City staff working with multiple affordable developers, potential of roughly 250 new affordable rentals.

Additional development resources

City Resources

- CDBG – \$80,000- human services, 300K for capital
- 1 Million of HOME ARPA
- 1 Million of funding from legislature
- 1.9 Million of City ARPA funding.
- Review of 360K Social Service Policy Spring.

County Resources

- \$500k for HOPE implementation efforts.

Board feedback on areas for improvement:
Staffing – a paid team of 3:
project manager, communications, & financing/grants to work on multiple different projects concurrently.

- **Communications Coordinator** has just been hired for Benton County Health Department: Kailee Olson starts in February and will be dedicating about 50% of her staff time to the HOPE work.
- **Legislative Pilot Funding:** City and County are being included in a state bill to fund 8 pilot areas with \$1 million over two years for staffing, coordination, and technical assistance to support a Coordinated Homeless Response Office.
- **County staff positions** on the horizon that will be working on HOPE recommendations implementation:
 - Project Manager
 - Grants Researcher and Writer

What role can the HOPE Board play in supporting implementing of your recommendations?

1. Evaluation and communication role: interpreting the system assessment/gaps in the system in the context of HOPE's role; communicating progress and remaining gaps.
2. Researching best practices on successful systems that correspond to the 12 recommendations and are relevant to the implementation being done by city, county, and provider partners.

Do we want or need a work group on this topic, or how else do we proceed?



Next steps...

- Recruiting new members now.
- Executive Committee meets 2/9 to make new member decisions.
- February meeting:
 - Electing co-chairs – if you have questions please contact Julie.
 - Equity Lens – review and refresh memory at February meeting, incorporate it into decision-making going forward.
 - Point in Time Count info from CSC.



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