



Meeting Date: March 9, 2021

Time: 8:30 am

Virtual Meeting

Co-Chairs: Celene Steckel & Tammy Black

Topic Discussion

Attendance:

Claire Payne, Leslie Wager, Donna Devilbiss, Tifinie Criner, Gabby Kahney, Ashley Wantz, Ralph Dull, Javier Toro, Tammy Black, Danielle Yates, Celene Steckel, Lauren Biggs, Caroline Babylon, Louis Yeager, Corey Hardinger- Wilt, Myrna Stuart, Maureen Avera, Scott Yard, Joanna Waters, Lillian Hardie, Bobbie Lawrence, Janet Mickey, Mike Clavin, Stephanie Halley, Jenny Graybill, Gina Valentine, Carly Long, Paul Moffett, Dona Foster, Tony Demoe, Phyllis Dull, Sondra Groft, Linda Ibex, Tenzin Woezel, Laurie Galloway, Cera Tarr, Sue Doyle, Amanda Chase, Cheri Ebaugh, Sondra Groft, Scott Yard, Marty Kutchma.

1. Welcome & Introductions (Tammy Black)

- Needs and Community / Partner updates

-Captain Nikki Heuer with WCPD has an interfering meeting with Circle. If anyone needs anything let from Nikki you may contact her at 410-848-7628 or nheuer@westgov.com

-Youth REACH is happening virtually this year. If you know of anyone ages 16-24 in Carroll County who has experienced homelessness in the past year. Please encourage them to take the Youth Reach Survey. As an incentive, a \$10 gift card will be given to any youth individuals who completes the survey and a \$20 gift card will be given to any youth individual who agrees to complete a phone interview. Shepherd's Staff Easter Basket Program- Folks must schedule an appointment time to pick up their baskets by calling 410-857-5944. Donations are still being accepted (and are also by appointment).

-For those who missed the newspaper article on Billy Lyve and his vision in starting "Find Your Purpose" a nonprofit in Westminster to mold kids and young adults into impressionable members of society by helping them find their direction in life.

You may read that article here : <https://www.baltimoresun.com/maryland/carroll/news/cc-billy-lyve-nonprofit-20210209-eawctwifm5boxd4hisumrrx3xa-story.html>

-Westminster Rescue Mission beds are open for treatment program, shifted from 9-month program to fit the length of an individual's needs.

-Carroll County Public Libraries are back open! 10:00am-6:00pm Monday-Friday and 10:00am-3:00pm on Saturday.

-On Our Own of Carroll County is open! Their hours are Monday & Wednesday's from 9:00-2:30pm, Thursday's & Friday's from 9:00-12:00pm, and Sunday's from 9:00-3:00pm.

-HSP is continuing to assist people with water turn offs, eviction prevention, rental assistance, etc. You can call 410-857-2999 or walk in

-Are you aware of someone in Carroll County who is homeless? Have you seen a new encampment? Please, contact the Outreach Team so they can offer the individuals anything from supplies to case management. Contact Michael Clavin michael.clavin2@maryland.gov, Carly Long clong@hspinc.org, or Amanda Chase achase@hspinc.org.

-The Outreach Committee is looking for individuals who are interested in joining their committee! The committee currently meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month. Please contact Michael Clavin michael.clavin2@maryland.gov or Amanda Chase achase@hspinc.org if you are interested.

-The Domestic Violence Shelter is in need of toiletry donations! Shower Caddies, Toothpaste, Body Wash, Etc. To make a donation you may drop off at Springboard Community Services Office on Court Street or call 410.876.1233

2. Homelessness COVID-19 Response

○ Night by Night Shelter/Day Center Updates (Scott Yard)

- So far HSP has served 93 unique individuals

- Currently averaging 10-12 males per night.

-Currently averaging 2-4 individuals at the Day Center

- Night by Night Project is set to end on 3/31- exploring options on how to spend the rest of the grant money. Deciding on how we could alter or extend the temporary night-by-night shelter.

○ Encampment/Street Outreach (Carly Long)

▪ Updates on Outreach Efforts/New Staff

- Continuing to provide street outreach on Wednesdays

- Currently seeing 8-15 people each week. Many people going in and out of incarceration

- HSP recently staffed Emily Fornwalt to work with clients on Rapid Rehousing

3. Update on numbers in encampments

4. Outreach Committee (Mike Clavin & Amanda Chase)

-Amanda Chase and Mike Clavin have been meeting on the 4th Tuesday of every month. If you are interested in attending the outreach committee meetings contact Mike or Amanda.

-The Outreach Committee is looking at other areas in the County other than Westminster. Please reach out if you know of any new homeless individuals or encampments.

5. Shelter Utilization Updates/Vacancies/Waitlists

- Adult/Family (Joana Waters)

-Family Shelter had one family move out yesterday afternoon. Over the last 2 months, 2 families have moved out. They were able to move in with family.

-6 individuals on the Adult Only waitlist. 5 males and 1 female. Currently there is only room for more females.

- Domestic Violence (Liz Davoren)

-Springboard Community Services is currently accepting clients at the safehouse.

- Donations of shower caddies, toothpaste, body wash, toiletries, etc. are needed. Please call 410.876.1233 if you have donations to make. Thank you in advance!

6. Vaccine Accessibility for Homeless Individuals

- HSP has worked with the Health Department and Access Carroll to set up vaccination clinics. Half of the Adult Only shelter has been vaccinated.
- HSP has partnered with Access Carroll to do our best to educate and encourage shelter folks to get vaccinated. Access Carroll came out and administered the flu vaccines as well as educated the shelter clients on the COVID vaccine. HSP will be collecting and scanning shelter clients vaccination cards into Community Service Point.

7. Food Resources-Vicky Keller

Link to Food Resources in Carroll County- <https://www.carrollcountymd.gov/residents/county-spotlight/covid-19-information/local-volunteerdonation-opportunities/aid-during-the-covid-19-crisis/confirmed-food-meal-services/>

8. Homeless Veterans by name list update- (Amy Baker/Gina Valentine)

- Continuing to meet monthly. Everyone has been diligent about keeping spreadsheet updated.
- Kaysy at HSP will analyze the data to see if she can pinpoint where the data is skewed.
- Carroll County Veterans Independence Project (CCVIP)- location off John Street. We will be meeting with them to see where they can fill our gaps.

9. Funding Updates (Debby Standiford)

- o CDBG -COVID Round 2 Funding
- Large pot of money for strict labor-intensive eviction prevention money. Available-difficult to access.
- o ESG COVID Round 2 Funding
- Funding for Domestic Violence hotel stays. The focus is Rapid Rehousing. This funding will run through Sept of 2022.
- o ERAP Stimulus Funding
- Funding to be distributed this month. To be used towards Case Management and Administrative Services.

10. Emergency Food and Shelter Program (Claire Payne)

- The Emergency Food and Shelter Program awarded Carroll County was awarded \$30,136 for Phase 38.
- All applications were submitted on Friday, February 26th by 5pm.
- Six local agencies applied and presented their applications to the Local Board on Friday, March 6th
- The Local Board will submit the final decision to the National Board on March 16th.

11. Virtual Learning for Homeless Youth-(Jenny Graybill/Dona Foster)

- There are two families in the family shelter with school aged children. There are several other younger children who has been coordinating with Head Start Catholic Charities.
- Tutoring and Counseling offered to both shelter students. CCPS Services are virtual. We've hired a

new person who does counseling for the shelter.

12. Homeless Youth Data from CCPS (provided by Dona Foster)

- Carroll County Public Schools general population has reopened to in-person four days a week. Of the students who unenrolled for home instruction, we are seeing a huge influx to reenroll. Homeless Students are no longer tracked once they have exited the CCPS system. CCPS has been able to sign out MiFi devices to the homeless population which has been a huge help to these students. We've seen an increase in homelessness which we have not seen in previous years.

HOMELESS STUDENTS TO-DATE THIS YEAR 2020-2021						
09/27/20	10/30/20	11/30/20	12/31/20	01/29/21	02/28/21	
21	30	43	48	47	54	TOTAL HOMELESS
6	11	15	17	18	21	Elementary
5	4	11	12	11	12	Middle
10	15	17	19	18	21	High and Post Secondary
4	6	10	10	9	9	Special Education
5	6	7	7	8	8	Unaccompanied
1	1	1	2	2	2	ELL
13	13	20	22	21	26	Doubled Up
0	6	8	11	11	11	Hotel
1	2	2	2	2	2	Shelter
5	6	10	10	10	12	Temporary (temporarily dislocated due to fire, flood, etc.-will return to their home
2	3	3	3	3	3	Other (living in a situation that may include a car, park, tent, camper or on the street, etc...)

Tutoring and Counseling services are being provided by CCPS staff on a weekly basis to students at the homeless shelters.

“As of February 28, 2021, fifty-four (54) students have been identified as homeless. This is a cumulative/running report with the exception that, if a student has withdrawn from CCPS (i.e. Home schooling, private school, moved out of county, etc...,) they have been removed from the chart.”

13. Housing Opportunities for People with Aids/HIV (HOPWA) Long Term Housing (Danielle Yates)

- Housing has been working with the Health Department to administer HOPWA vouchers. We have

Clients Served 7/1/20 - 3/1/21

<u>Provider</u>	Total Served	Adults	Child	Total Households	Household w/ child + adult	Clients in Households
Coordinated Intake	349	268	81	70		185
Family Shelter	46	19	27	14	14	
Adult Only Shelter	92	92				
Rapid Re-Housing	41	27	14	21	6	
CV Rapid Re-Housing	8	8	0	7	0	
Perm Supp Housing I, II, VIII	29	24	5	23	2	
Perm Supp Housing Transition	14	9	5	6	1	
Street Outreach	45	42 (3 u/k)	0	37	0	
Shelter + Care	11	11	0	9	0	
Night by Night	39	39				
CV Temp Shelter	89	89		88	0	
Homeless Prevention Program	5	2	3	2	2	
CV Homeless Prevention Program	29	13	16	8	8	

one family who is about to get their voucher. There are currently three other families we are working with to administer a HOPWA Voucher.

14. HMIS Data update-(Danielle Yates/Shane Fox)

*Each individual provider is an unduplicated count of total served

15. Total unduplicated persons served in Emergency shelter and Perm Housing (7/1/20 – 3/1/21): 230

16. System Performance Measures submitted to HUD on 2/26/2021

17. PIT count final data is still being calculated and verified. Possible update at next meeting
18. Housing Inventory Count (HIC) (beds available) has begun and working jointly with Kaysy from HSP and others to update inventory as needed for FY21 submission to HUD

Motion to adjourn at 9:35am.

Next Scheduled Meeting – May 11th at 8:30am
Virtual Go-To Meeting