

HOMELESSNESS COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Data Sub-Committee

January 6, 2017

Meeting Highlights

Attendees

Kirsten Jewell, Kitsap County Human Services

Kurt Wiest, Bremerton Housing Authority

Jennifer Kreidler-Moss, Peninsula Community Health Services

Jackie Fojtik, Housing Solutions Center

DISCUSSION TOPICS

❖ Purpose of Committee

- Develop and present data and information to the Homelessness Coordinating Committee to assist in determining where to devote time and resources with greatest impact. In addition, these materials will help with providing information to the public.

❖ Review of Existing Data and Data Gaps

- We already have extensive data about:
 - the demographics of poverty and homelessness in Kitsap
 - programmatic outcomes for homeless programs and services
 - gaps in the types of housing available for homeless individuals and households
 - the gap between the need for affordable housing and the available stock
 - graphic representation of the Homelessness Crisis Response System
 - geographic distribution of social services (draft map)
- Not much work has been done in the past to specifically project the number of needed services, beds, and units. Since the number and demographics of people experiencing homelessness is always fluctuating, it can be difficult to do this.

❖ Ideas for New Data/Info Graphic Projects

Short-term

- Mission & Methods of Homeless Coordinating Committee Member organizations
- Updated Matrix of Housing Gaps
- Geographic Map of Density of Need/Poverty

Mid-term

- Graphic of Housing/Services – using lens of *cause of homelessness*, listing existing programs and needed programs (similar to Sequential Intercepts Model graphic)
- Asset Map: Updated Graphic of Housing/Services Inter-connections (with specific orgs)
- Updated Geographic Map of Social Service Locations (GIS)
- Comprehensive List of Existing Data and Sources (related to homelessness and affordable housing)

NEXT STEPS

Sub-committee members will work on Short-term Projects for review at next Sub-committee meeting in late January/early February. In addition, work will begin on gathering data for the Mid-term Projects.

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