

**Homeless Advisory Board Minutes**  
**Wednesday, July 10, 2024**  
Oregon Coast Community College  
Community Room #140, Central County Campus, Newport, OR, 97365  
And by Zoom

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The meeting was called to order at 1:03 PM by Co-Chair Rod Cross. Cross initiated roll call for the representatives:

**Attendees:**

City of Depoe Bay, Kathy Short, Mayor  
City of Lincoln City, Judy Casper, Council President  
City of Toledo, Rod Cross, Mayor  
City of Siletz, Susan Trachsel, Council President  
City of Waldport, Rick Booth, Councilor  
City of Yachats, Mary Ellen O’Shaughnessey, Council President  
Community Services Consortium, Liesl Eckert, Housing Services Manager  
Lincoln County, Claire Hall, Commissioner  
\*alternates

**Ex officio attendees:**

City of Toledo, Doug Wiggins, City Manager  
Housing Authority of Lincoln County, Kyla Sellers, LCHAB Project Manager

The minutes from May 29, 2024, were reviewed. City of Depoe Bay Mayor Kathy Short made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second to the motion was made by Lincoln City Council President Judy Casper. Motion Carried.

Chair Cross went on to allow for public comment related to agenda items. No comments were given.

Chair Cross passed the gavel to a special guest: Cosmos Cranston from Re!nstitute to present on the outcomes of the recent Lincoln County 100-Day Challenge on homelessness. Cosmos started her presentation by introducing the work of Re!nstitute and their 100-Day Challenges. Cosmos went on to present the Lincoln County journey with the 100-Day Challenge sharing the goal that the Lincoln County team had set for their 100 days:

“In 100 days we will connect 200 people experiencing homelessness to safe and stable housing, with a special emphasis on adults aged 55+ with co-occurring disabilities, non-English speakers, unaccompanied youth aged 15-24, and those identifying as LGBTQ+.”

Cosmos shared some highlights from the challenge: a lesson learned is how important community data is. The challenge shifted how our local service providers view community data

collection, resulting in multiple organizations seeking HMIS training. The team conducted equity listening sessions resulting in a Resource Fair in the South Lincoln County area and this work bred additional goals to increase landlord engagement in Lincoln County amongst other items. Furthermore, the listening session done with youth service providers resulted in service providers establishing a regular meeting to collaborate on services provided to unaccompanied youth experiencing homelessness. Finally, the 100-Day Challenge resulted in an updated resource Directory found on LCHAB.org.

Cosmos invited the Board to ask questions pertaining to the Lincoln County 100-Day Challenge. Chair Cross asked a question regarding the unaccompanied youth who were housed during the challenge. The question was if the youth aged 15-18 were primarily unsheltered or sheltered. Cosmos answered that large portions of the data collected for the unaccompanied youth during the Challenge were from the McKinney Vento liaison at the Lincoln County School District and from the Youth Tides Shelter. The youth housed could be sheltered or unsheltered. Cosmos referred to Kyla Sellers who participated in the Challenge. Sellers offered to reach out to the McKinney Vento liaison and the Youth Tides Shelter prior to the next LCHAB meeting in an effort to answer the question posed by Chair Cross.

Cross asked if the challenge counted veterans. Cosmos answered that veterans was not a demographic that was explicitly captured for this challenge however Rick Booth who conducted the listening session with the 55+ demographic noted that he had made special efforts to gain input from Veterans Services Officer Keith Barnes during the Challenge.

Judy Casper asked if there were any significant insights gained from the landlord engagement work done during the Challenge. Cosmos referred to Sellers to answer this question. Sellers informed the Board that the Lincoln County team had identified multiple items to address regarding landlord engagement. These items are included in the goals of the Community Outreach & Engagement Committee that were on the meeting agenda.

With no other questions Chair Cross Directed the Board's attention to the next agenda item for a presentation on LCHAB workstreams and associated budgets by Kyla Sellers. Kyla informed the Board that the 100-day challenge work and the goals of the workstreams identified during the challenge are in alignment with the LCHAB strategic plan. The Administrative Office has worked to create 3 committees that incorporate the goals into sustainable work plans. Sellers presented the descriptions and goals of the 3 following committees:

1. Equity & Inclusion Committee
2. Community Outreach & Engagement Committee
3. Policy & Funding Coordination Committee

The Board discussed the committee descriptions and goals. Sellers then informed the Board that the Administrative Office recommends that the Board approve the formation of the Committees, and the associated budgets as outlined in the Board Packets. Mayor Kathy Short made a motion to approve the formation of the Committees and the associated budgets as

outlined in the Board Packet. Second to the motion was made by Lincoln City Council President Judy Casper. Motion Carried.

Chair Cross passed the gavel to Kyla Sellers for the Administrative Office Report. Sellers updated the Board about the current HB5019, Oregon Rehousing Initiative, Youth Emergency Housing Assistance and Executive Order Shelter funding.

Sellers informed the Board that the first draft of the Permanent Structure Proposal for sustaining the Lincoln County Homeless Advisory Board was included in the Board packet and asked that the Board review the draft before the regularly scheduled Board meeting in August and come prepared to discuss.

Rod Cross opened the floor for public comment.

Cross adjourned the meeting.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, August 14, 2024, from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.