



ECHO convened at the Clark County Public Service Center, 6th Floor, Hearing Conference Room, also via WebEx Online.

Clark County ECHO

(Ending Community Homelessness Organization)

Meeting Minutes –March 14, 2023

ECHO Chair, Clark County Councilor, Gary Medvigy, opened-up the ECHO meeting with a warm welcome, introductions.

ACTION: Minutes **APPROVED** with no objections.

1. CARELON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & LIFELINE CONNECTIONS: HOST PROGRAM

- Presented by Tom Breitenbauch, Leah Becknell, and Brandy Branch
 - As of March 1st, their name changed from Beacon Health Options to Carelon Behavioral Health (CBH).
 - They manage the crisis system in 3 regions/8 Washington counties.
 - CBH has three main functions:
 - Maintain crisis system.
 - Behavioral Health safety net.
 - Lead community forums & system development.
 - Behavioral Health System Continuum of Care consist of:
 - Prevention
 - Early Prevention
 - Acute Intervention
 - Behavioral Treatment
 - Recovery & Reintegration
 - CBH Programs:
 - CBRA Community Behavioral Health Rental Assistance
 - Governor’s Housing and Homeless Initiative
 - HOST provides outreach-based treatment services to individuals with serious behavioral health challenges as well as comprehensive, multidisciplinary, outreach and a care team approach.
 - Eligible Participants are:
 - Those living with a serious substance use disorder and mental health conditions.
 - Those experiencing homelessness.
 - HOST Primary Goals
 - To **ENGAGE** people experiencing homelessness and substance use conditions.
 - To **PROVIDE** intensive case management and stabilization services.
 - To **DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN** links to critical resources.
 - To **TRANSITION** stabilized individuals to long-term behavioral health.
 - HOST partners with Council for the Homeless, Coordinated Care Network, City Outreach, Recovery Café, and other Behavioral Health Providers.
 - HOST Provides Services:
 - Outreach & Engagement
 - Intensive Case Management
 - Medication Management
 - Substance Use Assessments and Interventions
 - Mental Health Assessments and Interventions
 - Peer Support
 - Supportive Housing Services
 - Q & A / ECHO Discussion



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2. HART PROGRAM

- Presented by Jamie Spinelli and Tyler Chavers
 - The primary focus of the HART Program:
 - Outreach
 - Engagement
 - Camp Clean Up's
 - Q & A / ECHO Discussion

3. PUBLIC ACCESS TO ECHO

- Presented by Kristin Phillips
 - CVTV
 - WEBPAGE
 - Kristin explained where the webpage can be found.
 - <https://clark.wa.gov/councilors/ending-community-homelessness-organization>
 - Kristin also stated that all ECHO meetings recorded by CVTV will be available via the webpage.
 - Q & A / ECHO Discussion

4. UPDATE FROM EACH ENTITY AND ANY SUGGESTED ACTION ITEMS

- **Council for the Homeless:** Sesany emailed a success story for all to read. She is meeting with a person from Houston, TX on how they address their homeless situation.
- **Vancouver Housing Authority:** Andy asked to be a part of the conversation with the people from Houston, TX as he states they should continue to reach out to other communities with success on community homelessness.
- **Community Foundation for Southwest Washington: NONE**
- **Clark County :** Michael will also be attending the meeting with Houston, TX.
- **City of Vancouver:** Deputy Mayor DesRochers donated 50+ bus passes to the Task Force Community Court Program.
- **City of Battle Ground: NONE**
- **City of Camas: NONE**
- **City of La center :** NONE
- **City of Ridgefield:** Jennifer requested an update regarding Grace Lodge and their lease.
- **City of Washougal: NONE**

5. ANYTHING FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

6. NEXT MEETING

- April 11, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.