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## Clark County ECHO

*(Ending Community Homelessness Organization)*

### Meeting Minutes – July 12, 2022

ECHO Chair, Clark County Councilor, Gary Medvigy, opened-up the ECHO meeting with a warm welcome, introductions & approval of the minutes from the June 14, 2022, meeting.

#### 1. Family Promise Presentation

- Presented by Mike Pervere and Susan Carlson
  - Provided information on their program:
    - Services
    - People Served
    - Opportunities/Support

Q & A

#### 2. Discussion regarding hot weather event response plans in Clark County

- Presented by Laura Ellsworth
  - Provided information on Cooling Sites vs. Winter Shelters
  - What constitutes a Severe Hot Weather Event?
  - Process for Calling regarding Severe Hot Weather Conditions.

Q & A

#### 3. Discussion regarding an additional safe parking location for recreational vehicles (RV's)

- Presented by Jamie Spinelli
  - There is a high need for RV Parking space within the city.
  - The majority of those that live in their RV's, simply just can't afford housing.
  - Per Council Member Perez she stated, the city is committed to working with the County to make this a success.
  - Cost is about \$150,000 per year.



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#### 4. Update from Council for the Homeless on the recent Point in Time Count

- Presented by Dale Whitley
  - Dale explained what the PIT (Point In Time) Count was.
  - Provided Data Source for:
    - Sheltered Count
    - Unsheltered Count
  - 2021/2022 COVID Complications
  - 2022 Process Highlights
  - Increase in people within Sheltered Count.
  - More family shelter beds, less unsheltered family members.
  - Shelters and a stemmed growth in unsheltered senior numbers.
  - Unsheltered increase in singles or couples without children and unaccompanied youth
  - Nearly 2 out of 3 people experiencing homelessness do not sleep outside
  - Affordable housing crisis in Clark County
  - Q & A (Will be the first on the agenda at the next meeting.)

#### 5. Update from each entity and any suggested action items (RAN OUT OF TIME)

- Council for the Homeless – Kiersten Ware
- Vancouver Housing Authority – Andy Silver
- Community Foundation for Southwest Washington – Shona Carter
- Clark County – Michael Torres
- City of Vancouver – Jamie Spinelli
- City of Battle Ground
- City of Camas
- City of La center – Greg Thornton
- City of Ridgefield
- City of Washougal

#### 4. Next Meeting

- August 09, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.