



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 – June 11, 2024

***IMPORTANT NOTE* PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE MICROPHONE WHEN MAKING A MOTION OR SECONDING A MOTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE MINUTES.**

ECHO Chair, Clark County Councilor, Sue Marshall, called the ECHO meeting to-order.

Welcome and Introductions

Lead by Chair, Councilor Sue Marshall

- Approval of Minutes from May 14, 2024.

ACTION: Moved by Mayor Jennifer Lindsey to **APPROVE** minutes for May 14, 2024. Seconded by Mayor Steve Hogan. All Aye/ motion passed.

- Review of Agenda.

Emergency Response/Severe Weather Planning

Understanding the needs, current efforts, and gaps.

- Red Cross information sharing on role and efforts related to the homeless population.
 - Presented by Derek Chinn and Jonathan Seibert, Red Cross SW Washington Chapter
 - Derek Chinn came in hoping to better understand and gain some knowledge of how to better handle the houseless population after a disaster and take the information back to his team to put a plan in place.
 - The subgroup summarized the main issues:
 - The past year was the first year our Faith Community was not able to step in and provide as they have done in the past.
 - We invited Red Cross to the table to learn your scope of work and how can we work together during these crises.
 - Our Homeless Crisis response System does not receive much funding to support heat, severe weather, and smoke etc.... and we want to learn how to create a better system.
 - Red Cross only mobilizes when they are contacted by the County.
 - Question from ECHO to Red Cross
 - What kinds of resources do you provide when preparing for disasters during the in between of disasters.
 - Presentations and trainings, such as field guide training on how to set up your own shelters.
 - Capacity building with organizations; understanding what we are facing and what's the scope of what people are facing and how do we interface with that.
 - How does the County make sure the right connections are in place before a disaster happens?
 - Asking the Faith Community and Neighborhoods to help as volunteers to mobilize.
 - Continued Discussion



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Takeaways, Recommendations, and Next Steps

- Red Cross has a list of organizations, and they are in communication with the emergency managers.
- Each City should identify your emergency contact person and what they are able to do.
- A list across the County of potential shelters that can be accessed.
- Cross communication between organizations and Cities.
- Red Cross will send emergency organization agreements.
- If there are any legislative changes that ECHO needs to address that they are unaware of, please contact ECHO.

2024 ECHO Workplan and Group Expectations

- Executive Planning Subcommittee
- 2024 Workplan Review
 - Reviewed the Work Plan Calendar & Expectations.
 - There are no informational presentations for July. Suggestions are welcome.
 - Form an executive planning subcommittee to have a shared leadership for ECHO.
 - Volunteers for the Executive Planning Subcommittee.
 - Mayor Jennifer Lindsey
 - Councilor Glen Yung
 - Mayor Steve Hogan
 - Sesany
 - Council member Diana Perez

Closing

- Future Meeting Agenda Topics
 - PIT Presentation
 - Legislative
 - Collaborative initiative
- Anything for the good of the order

NEXT MEETING

July 9, 2024; 9:30am – 11am

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