



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 – February 11, 2025.

***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 January 14, 2025

ACTION: Moved by Steve Hogan to **APPROVE** minutes for January 14, 2025. Seconded by Glen Yung, All aye/ motion passed.

- Review of Agenda

Updates & Report back on action items

- Severe Weather – *ECHO Membership*
 - Severe weather response: Expanding severe weather shelters, staffing challenges, partnership with Living Hope, potential for ICE.
 - Safe Park downtown opened for severe weather, no need for coordinated entry.
 - C Tran offers free transit to shelters, partnership with severe weather task force appreciated.
 - Severe weather response focuses on location, training, and grassroots efforts.
- Homeless Action Plan Participation – *ECHO Plan*
 - Council for the homeless provides alerts, community support crucial in severe weather response.
 - Rose Jewel coordinates the emergency shelter and needs volunteers for it to open.
 - A committee will be formed to work on the homeless action plan from ECHO; Ty Stober, Glen Yung, Victoria Ferrer will participate.
- [Document Recording Fee Shortfall Draft Letter](#) – *Clark County*
 - The county council sent a letter requesting support for funding homeless services and backfilling document recording fee shortfall.
 - Document recording fees are a percentage of the value and vary depending on the purpose.
 - The document recording fee for homelessness funding is about 30% of the total funding.
 - A request was made for other jurisdictions to write letters or join the County's letter.
- Chair Marshall Transition Off ECHO
 - Chair Marshall announced that she will be stepping down from ECHO and Councilor Fuentes will moving into ECHO. Councilor Yung will be moving into the Chair role for ECHO moving Forward.
- Federal Funding Uncertainty
 - There is uncertainty about federal funding and potential interruptions in disbursement, but proactive planning is being done.
 - Federal funding freeze impacted voucher programs and may lead to major cuts.
 - HUD undercounted voucher program costs by \$600 million, affecting funding levels.
 - Determine the percentage of funding covered by document recording fees versus state grants for homeless resources and efforts



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- Council for the Homeless will be preparing a one pager on federal funding sources in Clark County for distribution to stakeholders and for use in upcoming meetings.

2025 Work Plan & Priorities

- [Key Priorities](#)
 - Priorities for 2025 include collaborating across jurisdictions, supporting housing production and affordability.
 - There is a need to develop a logic model to track outcomes and progress in the community.
- ECHO Framework & Broader Issues
 - It may be beneficial to revisit an RFP for a situational analysis of community services.
 - The group should consider bringing in outside experts and stakeholders to provide input on advocacy efforts.
- Potential Subcommittees
 - The possibility of extending meeting times or having additional meetings for specific topics was discussed.
- [Draft Calendar](#)

Takeaways, Recommendations, Next Steps, and Closing

- Research and track house bill 1124 and senate bill 5151-12.2.025-26 related to mental health medication prescribing.
- Research and track house bill 1217 related to rent stabilization.
- Consider developing a legislative agenda for the next session.
- Provide feedback on the strategic plan and priorities to Jordan within the next two weeks.
- Consider bringing in experts from outside of the group for subcommittee discussions on affordable housing.

NEXT MEETING

- *March 11, 2025; 9:30am – 11:00AM*

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