

MALHEUR COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH, LOCAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG AND DEVELOPMENT DISABILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes: August 09, 2023

Attendees: Tammy Cortright, Brad Andrews, Andrea Recla, Sarah Poe, Ron VanAusdal, Chris Phillips, Jim St Michell, Steve Jensen

- **CALL TO ORDER**
 - Introductions of new participants
 - Review of previous meeting minutes
- The minutes were approved as presented.
- **PUBLIC INPUT** -please limit remarks to 5 minutes
- **LIFEWAYS**
 - Client Access
 - CCBHC
 - Housing opportunities
 - Crisis Response Unit
 - Ron – met all access measure for GOBHI. Currently have a lot of P & P to make sure this happens. Did not apply for CCBHC this year. No need to for agenda item in future. Lifeways is providing integrated care at this point.
 - Andrea - - housing – lifeways has secured some housing funding to provide some transitional housing with a supported element. Currently have plans and are working through plans to break ground in September. Currently have some SUD specific housing as part of BURN grant.
 - Crisis – Mobile crisis has expanded d to 24 hours a day. Best contact is crisis dispatch line. Andrea clarified with the group the way to contact the mobile crisis line and gave that number to the group. Andrea updated the group with the crisis responsibilities.

We are making progress toward a stabilization center. Found out this month that the CMHP would be included in a 24 hour crisis stabilization unit. Would also like to add some medical detox. We are in planning stages at this time and will work with community partners.

Ron added that Lifeways is unable to do a physical hold with mobile crisis. Law enforcement may be needed to assist with this.

Lifeways will have a grand opening for the Youth center in August. An invite will be sent out. The Youth center is for outpatient for youth and families, not a crisis center.

Jim St Michell asked for more info on the SUD housing. This will be low barrier housing. Lifeways has opened up a transition type home for individuals seeking services. The grant will cover rent and utilities if they are seeking

services. This should open in the next couple weeks. This is right next to the school and sex offenders will not be eligible due to being next to a school. The North Oregon transitional house is still open for females who are still in services and in transition. Reach out to SUD program manager for an application for the house. It will be a clean and sober home, and be willing to agree to seek services, such as LRC or something else in the state, at min would need to engage in clean and sober living as well as participate in groups within the home. The length of stay depends on the need. There is a peer live in mentor living within the house. Suzanne Steel is point of contact.

- **PAST BUSINESS**

- Sarah Poe is concerned with what is happening with Origins at this time. Sarah advised that Origins is the only cooling station and that offers meals. Sarah is concerned that no one else is offering these services now that this is ending. Steve also shares these concerns. A lot of unanswered questions. Last heard that Sandy Kendall was placed in a position for a transition. Steve would like to understand what is happening with Sandy and this service that is ending. Immediate need is to understand what is happening with Origins and how Community in Action is involved with taking over some services.

Sarah received great feedback on the Peer meet up in the park.

Ron provided some information on the BURN grant funding.

- **ROUNDTABLE**

- Updates/Review of Services
- Andrea – no updates
- Ron – Steve – No updates
- Brad – DD 28 new applications. Had a great national night out last night.
- Sarah – Just got 10th syphilis case this month. Tied to some kind of drug use. They do free testing and treatment for anyone.
- Jim – no updates

- **Questions/ Discussion**

- Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 1:59 pm MT.