

# Curry County Community Health Improvement Plan Coalition



## CHIP COALITION MEETING MINUTES JUNE 2, 2021, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Tribal Lands Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that what we now call Oregon is the ancestral lands of many Tribes, those now federally recognized and not. We are here because this land was occupied, and its traditional people were displaced by colonists and settlers. As settlers and/or guests, we recognize the strong and diverse Native communities in our region today, from Tribes both local and distant, and offer respect and gratitude for their stewardship of these lands throughout the generations. Learn about Oregon's tribes here: <https://native-land.ca/>

Topic	Lead
<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	Laura Williams
<b>REDress Project</b> Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women's (MMIW) crisis. It is said that MMIW disappear not once, but three times—in life, in the media, and in the data. Key Statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5,712 cases of MMIWG were reported in 2016, only 116 of them were logged in DOJ database.</li> <li>• Murder is the 3rd leading cause of death among American Indian/Alaskan Native women and girls aged 10-24.</li> <li>• 71% of American Indian/Alaska Natives live in urban areas. (living off federally-defined tribal lands)</li> </ul>	Katrina Thompson-Upton
<b>CHIP Progress Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed the CHP Progress Report to be submitted in June. The final draft will be sent to CHP Coalition members this month. Thank you to partner organizations for sharing your data and stories.</li> </ul>	Carrie Prechtel, Bonnie Ell
<b>Workgroup Report Outs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are your current priority areas?</li> <li>• What are your current/upcoming projects?</li> <li>• What funding will you need?</li> </ul> <p><b>Food/Nutrition- Pam:</b> Moving forward Summer Youth Snack Pack Program – grant from AllCare for Bob the Bus and it will ride this summer with 10 stops. Will start in one week. New project: Seniors 60+ would get bag of fresh vegetables each week– grant was denied, so need to fund program. Would cost \$20K. Working on funding. Schools will have a grab and go for students. Seniors are hurting the most with \$19/month for food. Meetings are second Monday of each month from 2-3pm. Send Pam an email if have funding ideas or want to volunteer. Need volunteers to put together Snack Packs – 200/week. If any businesses need to do community service, this is a great opportunity.  <a href="mailto:pamelaw@brookingsharborfoodbank.org">pamelaw@brookingsharborfoodbank.org</a></p> <p><b>Behavioral Health- Nancy:</b> BH workgroup – increasing suicide awareness – great success with QPR Question Persuade Respond training at BH HS. Reaching youth who want to help with resources to those in need. Great feedback on training and have interest from faith based organizations. Celebrate Suicide Awareness week. Reducing BH Stigma, working with HS on stigma-busting. School districts are consumed with the curriculum and have taken a back seat on this effort. Looking to next school year to begin. Law enforcement Crisis Intervention Training - graduated 8 people. Excited about program is growing. Interest from officers to attend advanced Crisis Intervention Training – tactical training. When programs are voluntary, it spurs curiosity and it spreads. Gordon: Can they train</p>	Liaisons

peers to go along with Crisis Team to go along during a crisis call? Can look at the research and explore, but have confidentiality issues.

**Housing & Homelessness- Beth:** working to increase participation in monthly meetings. Coalition will submit proposal to county's housing committee for a site. Monitoring HB 2100 which will open funding for nonprofits to apply for emergency shelter dollars. Land acquisition is number one priority. We need to think about what outcomes we want and work backwards from there during crisis incidents. Looking for suggestions to work with law enforcement in a positive way for houseless individuals. Nancy is connecting offline regarding CIT and improving interactions/sharing relationships. Bonnie: mother working to reunify with child but has barrier of safe housing. Beth's efforts are affecting our families and children one person at a time. If anyone knows of RV space to rent, this could help.

**Oral Health- Laura McKeane**

Port Orford now has dental services! They are moving forward slow but steady. They will see anyone- with or without insurance and will offer vouchers through Coast Community Health.

There was a question as to whether or not there would be a mobile van available. Laura said there currently is not as the person who used to run it is no longer available.

**Workforce and Economic Development- (Reminder from May Coalition Meeting)- Annie Donnelly**

Finished 5<sup>th</sup> community health worker training since COVID and they had 14 individuals graduate from the program.

Annie mentioned that there is a big percentage of people not coming back to work, when many are not getting vaccinated and the amount they're making is not worth their lives. Childcare is also a barrier as families don't have options for their children. As a result, the schools are seeing a significant rate of youth disengaging from school as they are tending to their families.

South Coast Business is forming their summer work crews and continuing to work with high school students to meet graduation requirements through work experience and explore better paying careers. They also want to remind partners who serve tanf/snap/step recipients that they can help provide job placement services for them. For youth program info, you can contact: [ataylor@scbec.org](mailto:ataylor@scbec.org) or 541.435.8504.

Sam Engel reported that Neighborhood Works Umpqua has laid off 29 staff and there likely will be a ripple effect there as to the programs/services that reach Curry County.

**Access to Healthcare- (Reminder from May Coalition meeting) Connie Hunter**

They continue to support St. Tim's in their Vax clinics and are partnering with the Roseburg VA to support Veterans. One addition is that they have made an effort to reach out to families in distress especially when health issues make home situations more complex. Everything from assisting people registering online for vaccines, making sure that they have medical transportation when current there is difficulty scheduling transportation or an aversion because of COVID-19 related angst. We have provided shower chairs, thermometers, pulse oximeters, masks, sanitizer, bleach, etc. upon request from families and individuals.

<p><b>Youth &amp; Seniors – Bonnie Ell:</b></p> <p>There are many unknowns with public health and behavioral health taking place, which leaves us feeling uncertain in how vulnerable and high-risk youth will be supported this fall (how to get condoms, adequate drug &amp; alcohol counseling- telehealth versions are not working well for this demographic), a resource page for where youth and seniors can access needed services is needed, and a number to call for positive COVID cases.</p> <p>The Curry Juvenile Department reported in May of 2021 that referrals for Youth in residential treatment have recently doubled. The APD have also identified barriers in that they can't help with mental health services unless people are 65 years of age or older and home-based caretakers for those over 65 years of age or older are needed as there is a shortage due to lack of housing.</p> <p>Our workgroup will continue working on programs and services to address social isolation in youth and seniors, support youth and families in the foster system and trauma informed parent trainings.</p>	
<p><b>Communications Update</b></p> <p><i>Website URL:</i>  <a href="https://www.currycountychip.org/">https://www.currycountychip.org/</a></p> <p><i>Links to Advanced Health and AllCare Community Benefit Initiative Funding applications:</i>  <a href="https://www.currycountychip.org/resources">https://www.currycountychip.org/resources</a></p> <p><i>Newsletter:</i>  <a href="https://www.currycountychip.org/current-newsletter">https://www.currycountychip.org/current-newsletter</a></p> <p><i>Curry CHIP Facebook page:</i>  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Curry-CHIP-10633632822711/">https://www.facebook.com/Curry-CHIP-10633632822711/</a></p>	<p>Bonnie Ell / Carrie Prechtel</p>
<p><b>Community Info, Upcoming Events, Etc.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Monday &amp; Thursday grab and go food boxes available on Bob the Bus</li> <li>- Monday-Thursday grab and go food boxes at the Kalmiopsis Elementary School</li> <li>- June 11-16, 2<sup>nd</sup> round of FEMA vaccine clinics at the Brookings Harbor High School, 2-6 pm on June 12<sup>th</sup> there will be a big party/celebration at the clinic with music, food and fun!</li> <li>- ALL classes are FREE at SWOCC this summer! Including CPR, Flagger classes etc.</li> <li>- Commissioner Court Boice- hopes to have something solid to report with housing updates in a few months and wants to thank both CCOs for their support with the public health transition</li> <li>- SSP update from Starla Paris- they have a new SNAP Coordinator, Zachary Richard and Beth introduced Beth Dickson who will be helping with community work for ODHS- Zachary being more strength-based and trauma-informed</li> <li>- Healing Ceremony will be held at Battle Rock on Sat., June 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm, 170<sup>th</sup> Anniversary- feather dancing will</li> <li>- Gordon Clay announced that June is Pride month- which is a protest and a fight for equality, and is also PTSD awareness month, and Father's Day takes place- Gordon wants to help bring awareness and attention to men's issues or topics to help fathers feel welcome and invited to take part in their family's lives</li> <li>- Juneteenth is happening this month</li> <li>- Elder Abuse Awareness this month</li> </ul>	<p>Open Forum</p>

- To learn more about and donate to the Future South Coast Parks & Recreation District to help get it on the Nov. '21 ballot, click here:  
[https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-the-south-coast-parks-rec-district?utm\\_campaign=p\\_cf+share-flow-1&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link&utm\\_source=customer](https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-the-south-coast-parks-rec-district?utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer)

#### SNAP

Double Up Food Bucks Oregon <https://doubleuporegon.org/> @ Farmer's Markets

#### TANF

Time limits for TANF are 60 months and while that had been waived for almost a year now, time limits again apply.

#### COVID

COVID FAQs in Sign Language <https://govstatus.egov.com/or-oha-covid-resources-asl>

#### Housing

Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program: <https://www.oregonrentalassistance.org/>  
Eviction Moratorium extended to June 30, 2021

#### Legislative

June 10<sup>th</sup> 12-1pm SSP Partners Monthly meeting

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Meeting ID: 160 701 0879

Passcode: 121624

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**Facilitator:** Laura Williams

**Recorder:** Bonnie Ell

**Communications:** Bonnie Ell, Carrie Prechtel

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, July 7, 2021 (2-4pm, Zoom)

**Flyers from monthly meeting.** If you would like any of these emailed to you, please contact:

[Bonnie.Ell@advancedhealth.com](mailto:Bonnie.Ell@advancedhealth.com).



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GIVING YOUR LOVED ONES THE GIFT OF  
GETTING YOUR AFFAIRS IN ORDER

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FROM 12-1PM**

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### Who's Eligible for STEP?

- SNAP Recipients  
16 years of age or  
older

### Are you receiving TANF?

- Contact your  
Family Coach  
about  
Employment &  
Training Services



Zachary Richard, SNAP Navigator  
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1425 Airport Lane  
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**VOLUNTARY** services for those receiving SNAP benefits:

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clothes, tools, interview clothing, rental assistance, and  
more.
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your skills and strengths, getting your GED, help  
keeping your new job, short-term training, job leads,  
supported work experience.
- ✓ **Building Job Search Skills** - such as help with  
applications, resume writing, interview practice and  
networking.

\*Individualized supports are available on a case-by-case basis for those engaged in  
services with a STEP Provider.

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**Zachary Richard - (541) 294-9048**