

Trillium North Community Advisory Council Q2 Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 24th, 2021

Present: Adam Freer, Manu Chaudhry, Michael Sorensen, Naomi Hunsaker, Tina Cox, Vanessa Esteves
 Staff: Amy Hill, Britney Dominguez, Chris Hummer, Courtney Johnston, Debi Farr, Dr. Jeanne Savage,
 Tina Potter
 Guests: Sally Reid

AGENDA TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Welcome & Introductions	Attendees introduced themselves with their name, pronouns, organization/roles, and one good thing that happened this week
Announcement & Approvals	<p>Approvals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion: The Q1 2021 meeting minutes be approved as presented <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Action: Unanimously Approved <p>Announcements:</p> <p>Debi gave a recruitment update explaining we are still in phase 1 of recruitment that consists of 9 contractually required positions of which we currently have 3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positions filled: Clackamas County representative, Washington County representative, Tribal representative • Outstanding: Multnomah County representative, 5 Trillium OHP Consumer Members <p>Once phase 1 is complete, we will expand to include representatives from the community at large, recruited on a 1:1 basis with consumer members to ensure we maintain 51% of membership as consumer members</p>
Trillium in Tri-Counties	<p>Courtney Johnston gave an overview of Trillium in the Tri-County area, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership to date with a breakdown by county • Race & Language demographics • North Board of Directors • Tri-County provider network
Community Health Needs Assessment	<p>The Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment conducted by the Health Columbia Willamette Collaborative (HCWC) • Includes: 7 hospital systems, 4 county health departments (Clark (WA), Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties), 1 CCO • Was formed using Healthy People 2020's definition and 5 categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social and Community Context ○ Education ○ Health and Health Care ○ Economic Stability

- Neighborhood and Build Environment
- 9 Core issues were identified through consistent feedback from focus groups and listening sessions
 - Key drivers of all core issues include:
 - Discrimination and racism
 - Trauma
 - Core Issues
 - Health Outcomes (Behavioral Health, Chronic Conditions, Sexually Transmitted Infections)
 - Social Factors (Access to health care, transportation and resources, community representation, culturally responsive care, isolation)

All information provided and more can be found at: <https://comagine.org/resource/740>

Community Health Plan

Debi Farr presented on the Community Health Plan (CHP) established for 2019-2024

- Includes 5 priority areas:
 - Supportive Housing
 - Food Access
 - Social Connection
 - Access to Care
 - Chronic Conditions

Trillium is participating in the CHP Priority areas identified for the first 2 years of the plan:

- Access to Care
 - Early Childhood Services
 - Help Me Grow Oregon - https://helpmegrownational.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/OREGONwebsite_1469808476.pdf
 - Early Learning Hubs (in each county)
 - Expanding Language Access
 - Oregon Health Care Interpreter Association (OHCIA)
 - Trillium is providing 20 scholarships to individuals seeking health care interpreter certification
 - Food Access
 - Rockwood project – culturally specific food boxes distributed to the Rockwood community
- Housing
 - Regional Supportive Housing Impact Fund (RSHIF)
 - RSHIF: Strategic framework to address the needs of our unhoused community members using a systems approach in collaboration with health care leaders
 - Creates a flexible fund aimed at safe and stable housing
 - Expanding supportive housing capacity
 - Coordinating transitions into supportive housing from key settings
 - Aligning with other housing efforts and operating through an equity approach, the RSHIF is designed to:
 - Maximize positive impacts with other community partners

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show that supportive housing is an investment that saves money and lives. ▪ RSHIF fills 4 critical gaps not otherwise addressed in the region: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Racial Equity Gap: “Institutional racism is a primary driver that disproportionately increases the risk for people of color to end up experiencing homelessness in addition to reduced access to needed services.” • Affordable Housing Gap: The largest funding sources currently used to develop affordable often fail. Operating and rent subsidies are very limited, and these limits cause a severe shortage of housing to extremely low-income households. • Services Gap: Affordable housing operators have identified the need for more flexible funding sources to reimburse critical operating services supporting extremely low-income households with complex health needs. • Transitions Gap: An inability to get people into supportive housing at the moment of maximum potential impact. With the lack of enough housing comes long wait lists that contribute to the cycle of homelessness.
Open Table	<p>CAC Discussion for additional opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Weatherization – Lower income communities have housing that is not weatherized for hot or cold weather, which directly affects health and quality of life. Addressing this would influence equity and climate change initiatives. ○ Washington County has a website specific to funding for housing: https://www.co.washington.or.us/Housing/SupportiveHousingServices/funding-announcements.cfm • Metro Housing Bond – County representatives have results of their Request for Proposal (RFP) process that they would like to present at a future meeting • Childcare – There is a 32% decrease in number of childcare providers since the onset of the pandemic.
Closing	Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm PST

Next Council meeting: September 23, 2021

12:00pm – 1:30pm PST

Respectfully Submitted

Britney Dominguez
