

Columbia County Community Advisory Council Draft Minutes

Monday, July 10, 2023

3:00- 5:00PM

Hybrid Meeting

Meeting called to order at 3:05 housekeeping slides were reviewed for virtual and hybrid meeting. Agenda and minutes were approved.

CAC Learning Theme: A video about intersectionality was shared and the group discussed what intersectionality is and why it is an important concept. Understanding people's intersections and stories can help the community find mutual interest, shared goals respect different experiences, and intentionally build equitable outcomes.

Regional Health Assessment Update: We have about 909 stories collected for all three counties. We are aiming to collect 1300 stories. Three hundred seven (307) have been collected from Columbia County. After story collection is done, we will do a workshop to understand what the data results. Later, we will do community presentations to share our findings and to start to identify the plan priority areas.

CWIF Volunteers: Need volunteer CAC members to review CWIF applications. The application process is open until the end of July. We had four volunteers from the last meeting who want to help with the reviewing process. Volunteers are Janelle, Holly, Dennis, and Yesenia.

Community Updates:

- Head Start is closed but getting ready to enroll children in all three counties. They are hiring in all three counties as well.
- Community Action kicked off cooling season, mailings went out on Friday to those who qualifies. Currently working with CCMH to do wrap-around housing.
- Member shared that she is now located at DHS and going to Tillamook once or twice per month. Her new job is a housing navigator for members, acting as a bridge between CAT and DHS, and doing some community outreach as well.
- Oregon Law Center is getting an immigration attorney that will be housed in Hillsboro but will do clinics in the other counties. It is official that Holly will be retiring in August 2023 but will continue being part of the CAC.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20

Members Check In- Private Time.

Next Meeting: In Person August 7, 2023, 3-5pm at McCormick Park or Broadleaf Apartments depending on weather.