

12/14/2023
Meeting Agenda

Welcome and Housekeeping

The Housing & Homeless Coalition welcomes ideas, opinions, and knowledge from a broad spectrum of partners; thus meetings are open to the public and new members are always welcomed. Meetings take place the 2nd Thursday of every month at 1:30 pm. Email ciabottonidina@gmail.com for the meeting information and to provide input and feedback. Meetings are not permitted to be recorded.

Archived Coalition Meeting Minutes are available at <https://www.bchmis.info/>

1. Open Discussion

Heather Slaughter (SDHP) announced that SDHP has two openings for regional housing coordinators salary beginning at \$51,000. She shared a newsletter will be sent out.

Nancy Greico (Red Cross) reported three single family fires, one multi-family fire effecting nine adults and three children. Two of the single adults are looking for housing for a family of six.

2. Agenda

Partners overview of their services

Cami Williams (Mental Health Association) shared the services they provide to the community. Their services include; rep payees, community connect for transportation throughout the county, laundry service, warm line available 365 days, parent/child advocates for education, community advocates to help with referrals and assistance, peer supports, and the drop in center.

Amy Jurich (Salvation Army Harmony House) shared information about their recovery houses. For services clients must have an open CYS case, and parents must have substance use disorder. Four apartments are available in Rochester, it's a very structured environment with a curfew. Active substance use is not permitted and apartments can be held while in treatment. There is a 30 day black out period where clients cannot leave without staff. Outside meetings are required and case management is available. Clients can stay up to one year and there is assistance to help relocate. An evaluation is required for admission and income is not required, once clients begin working 30% of their income will be paid towards rent and they will receive 80% back once they complete the program. For additional information contact 724.728.3350.

Mary Lou Harju (United Way) shared that they fund the Women's Center, The Cornerstone of Beaver County, Salvation Army, and Mental Health Association. She explained ALICE funds, stating that they are mini grants of \$150,000.00. United Way has an emergency food service program (EFSP), state employee donation campaign, VW 211, and shared the prescription card/single care cards that assist with paying for prescriptions.

Adam Loverich (Beaver County Rehabilitation Center BCRC) shared information about their mental health job placement. Programs include job placement, vocation preparation, and work training to assist mental health transformation in the workplace for competitive employment. They also assist inmates, for rehabilitation with their Aurora program and peer support. To obtain more information call 724.378.4750.

Erin (LIFE Beaver County) shared that LIFE offers all-inclusive adult day care for clients age 55 and older. Clients must have NHFE, or Medicare and can receive individualized treatment, two hot meals, and transportation to their appointments. To enroll call 724.378.5400 clients must have a physical address.

Jon Henderson (Glade Run Blended Case Management) announced that they provide service linkage for housing and case management. Referrals must come from a mental health provider and clients must have a mental health diagnosis.

Harry Angelo (ERAP) announced that ERAP is ending and there will be no contract after December 30, 2024. Harry stated it should be extended, but funds are running out. They are assisting with LIHEAP budgeting and not paying any futures.

Cyndi Brown (ABC Associates) shared that they provide drug and alcohol services for adolescents and adults. The services include outpatient, intensive outpatient, and individual sessions either in person or via telehealth. They also have Matrix, a 28-day inpatient female rehabilitation center for females 18 and older. Referrals for Matrix call 724.302.9630 and for ABC call 724.843.0129.

Bed Availability

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See attached. Dina shared that Salvation Army Rapid Re-housing program has openings, as well as Valley View in New Brighton and Lenz Court.

NEXT MEETING: January 11th at 1:30 pm

SAVE THE DATES & OPPORTUNITIES

12/21/23 Homeless Persons Memorial Proclamation at 10 am in the Commissioners Public Meeting Room at the Courthouse.

12/21/23 Homeless Persons Memorial at 5 pm at the Beaver County Transit Authority at 200 West Washington Street Rochester.

12/25/23 Free Annual Christmas Day Dinner from 11 am – 3 pm at the Beaver Falls High School (1701 8th Avenue Beaver Falls, PA). All are welcome! Donations and volunteers still needed. Contact Darcy Casey if interested: 724.333.1375. Other questions can go to Christian Assembly CARE Outreach Ministry at 724.846.3751.

01/1/24 HAPPY NEW YEAR!! May you have a year full of good health, good fortune, and happiness.

01/3/24 Point In Time Planning Meeting at 1:30 pm at 501 7th Avenue Beaver Falls

01/23/24 Point In Time Event ALL DAY! Email ciabatttonidina@gmail.com if interested in participating.

For assistance with SNAP benefits, contact Patricia Ferricks from the Pittsburgh Community Food Bank at: pferricks@pittsburghfoodbank.org, cell: 724.549.8463, or visit at TCBC (600 6th Street Beaver Falls, PA)

Updated Free Meal Schedule and Food Pantries can be found at: www.bchmis.info

TRAININGS AVAILABLE!! Visit <http://www.bc-systemofcare.org/training/>

Information on NA meetings throughout the county (both in person and online), visit: beavervalleyyna.org