



Curry CAC meeting minutes 8.22.24

In Attendance: Ashley McGehee, Paul Gonzales, Les Foreman, Lualhati Anderson, Sam Baugh, Bevin Ankrom, Isabel Valdez, Mellissah Hendrickson, Jackie Antunes, Amanda McCarthy, Corrinne Potts, Tricia Iverson, Doris Kiragu, Jayden Ruff, Jess Howell, Kera Hood, Matt Vorderstrasse, Sarah Swanson, Karen Sullivan, Veronica Delmoral, Karen White, Trudy Simpson

Approval of minutes and agenda: Quorum not in attendance. Unable to approve.

Advanced Health Staffing Changes: Mellissah Hendrickson will no longer be with Advanced Health moving forward. If you would like to contact her you can reach her at mhendrickson@scbec.org

Bay Area First Step: Peer run agency based out of Coos County that is now serving Curry. They are funded for Peer services here in Curry county. Flier attached. Two peers here Tuesday – Thursday Trying to increase access to addiction recovery services. You can call the intake coordinator listed on the flier to connect someone in need to services. Next steps are outpatient treatment locally.

OHA update: Attached to Minutes

CHIP Progress and Workshops: CHIP priorities have been chosen and workshops to make goals and action plans per CHIP action team has begun. Please reach out to Mellissah or Sam to join one of the teams and or workshops.

Housing and Homelessness Action Team workshop 8/30/24 1:00PM-3:00PM Virtual only (Teams)

Access to Healthcare Action Team has already met but is looking for additional team members.

Childcare Action Team workshop 09/05/24 9:00AM – 1:00PM In person in Gold Beach location to be determined.

Food and Nutrition Action Team workshop 08/27/2024 1:00PM – 4:00PM In person Gold Beach Library and Zoom

Community Updates:

Wallys House has a prevention Specialist Ashley Hall and is looking for organizations to present child abuse sex education too. ashley@wallyshouse.org if you are interested in having the presentation given to your organization.

South Coast Equity Coalition launched the reproductive justice program. They will prioritize gender affirming care in coos/curry and will be holding listening sessions. We have a scholarship open now and closes Sept 15t. This is accompanied with a mutual aid fund. We are providing scholarships to folks that want to go into behavioral health or healthcare. The mutual aid fund is open to anyone in our priority population that is attending school. <https://southcoastequity.org/southcoastreproductivejusticeproject>

We have a new team member in Brookings and her name is Carolina. We held a listening session for our Spanish speaking community and had 72 people attend. jess@southcoastequity.org, carolina@southcoastequity.org, zaria@southcoastequity.org, jayden@southcoastequity.org We are expanding our annual diversity conference to Curry county. It will be in Brookings for two days. In October we are bringing an in-person data justice training. <https://southcoastequity.org/resources>

Housing Authority: Still in development process for the Elensburg site in Gold Beach. Trying to secure funding to get that site permit ready. Working on North Bend family housing project. Once we complete the North Bend project we will be focusing on Gold Beach. Working on identifying a Brookings site for housing as well. We had an amazing partnership with South Coast Equity Coalition to do a listening project. We wanted to be sure we were engaging with all aspects of the community. I encourage you to reach out to Jayden for any listening sessions you have so we can be sure we are bringing more DEI work to our community.

SCREL Update: The Childcare Accelerator Program prioritizes Latinx/Hispanic entrepreneurs and under-resourced community members with a focus on women, providing them with childcare business start-up tools and expansion technical assistance services in efforts to diversify childcare services throughout Southwestern Oregon (Coos, Curry, and Coastal Douglas Counties).

<https://screlhub.org/for-partners-providers/>

Parenting Workshop Opportunity:

Parents & caregivers of young children in our South Coast Region are invited to participate in our upcoming Group Connections Gathering.

Join us via Zoom, September 17th from 4:00-5:00pm to explore strategies to support your child's developing brain.

A free gift will be given to the first 10 families who register and participate in the session

To register visit: <https://tinyurl.com/33fhyvz> or call 541-266-3909

To learn more about this and other upcoming Group Connections Gatherings, visit:
https://screlhub.org/parenting/#group_connections

Preschool enrollment is happening: www.screlhub.org/find-programs

Diapers and wipes are available in Gold Beach for anyone in need. They have all sizes available, and we need to show our need for this service to continue.

Harmony and Me: We reinitiated our generational weekly visits. We are working on interrupting social isolation in our Senior communities with our programs. We are planning a fundraiser in the next few months to continue to support the work we are doing.

If you have a student going to school and they do not have a backpack legends arcade is giving away a backpack full of supplies and they can come and enter the drawing with no purchase necessary.