



CRDCEH

Community Meeting Agenda

Thursday, May 5, 2022

12:00-1:00 via Zoom

1. Attendance

- a. Sue Moen - Salvation Army
- b. Stefanie Hendrickson (CRDCEH Coordinator)
- c. Shawn DeCaire - Kwesa Place
- d. Sulyn Cedar - Community Member (Quadra Island)
- e. Krista Work - Campbell River Beacon Club
- f. Gina Forsyth - Community Member
- g. Candace Lindhout - John Howard Society North Island
- h. Alison Liebel - Habitat for Humanity Vancouver Island North
- i. Andrew Duarte - John Howard Society North Island
- j. Heather Brownhill - Legal Aid
- k. Kirsten Zaleschuck - CR & North Island Transition Society
- l. Lisa Wilde - CR & District Association for Community Living (CRADACL)
- m. Lisa McHaffie - Service Canada
- n. Jason Locke - City of Campbell River (planning)
- o. Linda Nagle - City of CR (recreation)
- p. Audrey Wilson - Laichwiltach Family Life Society
- q. Renee LaBoucane - Strathcona Regional District (SRD)
- r. Mary Catherine Williams - United Way
- s. Marc Kitteringham - CR Mirror
- t. Shaun Koopman - SRD - Emergency Planning
- u. Tracy Armstrong - Ministry of Poverty Reduction
- v. Lucas Schuller - MP Rachel Blaney's office
- w. Gwen Donaldson - Community Action Team
- x. Meredith Starkey - SRD
- y. Sheena Campbell - Regional Harm Reduction Coordinator, Island Health
- z. Taryn O'Flanagan - Vancouver Island Mental Health Society
- aa. Sara Lopez - Campbell River Art Gallery
- bb. Joelle Samson - CR Library
- cc. Michelle Downey - Community Member
- dd. Madison Stewart - Urban Indigenous Housing & Wellness Coalition

2. Land Acknowledgement - (Sue Moen - host)

3. Welcome and Meeting Introduction (Sue)

- a. Purpose of meeting



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- b. Anyone new who would like to introduce themselves
 - i. Lucas Schuller - not new but this will be my last meeting attending in this capacity. My colleague Christy will be taking over. I will continue to be in these meetings as the Spirit Square Manager.
- c. Reminder that this is a public meeting and media is often in attendance

4. Coalition Operational Updates (Stefanie Hendrickson)

- a. "Collecting Stories of Where You Live" Survey project
 - i. This is underway and surveying is open until May 11
 - ii. Anyone who feels like their housing is inappropriate for any reason or unaffordable is invited to fill out the survey
 - iii. We don't know how many paper surveys have been filled out but there have been 429 online surveys completed throughout the SRD region.
 - iv. **CALL TO ACTION** - Please share the link!!!!
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CampbellRiverDistrict>
 - v. Results will be available to the community to help guide direction, apply for funding, communicate needs, etc...
 - vi. Thank you for your help promoting this!!!!
- b. Service brochure project
 - i. Brochure is complete - waiting on art work from a peer for the front cover
 - ii. This is a living document, please email the Coalition with changes
 - iii. Brochure is mostly for first-line services (less about referral based services) - food, shelter, laundry, showers, getting warm, mental health support, etc.
- c. Funding opportunity - Reaching Home interest
 - i. Please let the Coalition know if you are interested in applying for Reaching Home Rural and Remote stream.
 - 1. About \$100,000 per project
 - 2. Coalition will be applying for a strategic/action plan to address homelessness
 - 3. Ideal if we see 1-3 applications per community. If we have too many then they may be in competition with each other
 - a. The Coalition and Mary Catherine will help coordinate collaborative applications, if applicable, to help avoid competition
 - 4. No deadline - rolling intake
- d. Poll - Should the Coalition continue with zoom meetings or move online?
 - i. Results show that people support Zoom meetings or a blend of Zoom and in-person
 - 1. The Coordinating Circle will take these results and decide on the next steps



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5. House-sharing discussion (i.e. Happipad) - (Stefanie and Mary Catherine) - 10 min.

- a. The Coalition has been approached again about community interest in a house-sharing platform
- b. This is not a rental agreement with tenants but instead a house-sharing (room and board...but just the room part!) situation
- c. Would be very relevant to many folks who feel like that could share their home with someone else (seniors, students, people looking to host employees until they can find housing, etc...)
- d. Happipad is one such option <https://happipad.com>
- e. SFU also has a platform they use
- f. The benefit of a platform is that it helps match people, provides all of the legal documents, facilitates the transfer of funds
- g. Typically these services take a small fee off of the house-sharing rate
- h. **CALL TO ACTION** - Is anyone interested in taking this discussion further? The Coalition Coordinator has limited capacity and so the Coalition works by bringing together smaller groups of people to work on tasks. If you are interested in working on this, please let us know! info@crhousing.net

6. Situation Table - (Stefanie) - 10 minutes

- a. Stefanie presenting with her other hat on! As Coordinator of the Campbell River Situation Table (this is completely separate from her work with the Coalition).
- b. Situation Table is launching next week and will be ongoing weekly - this is program used by the Province of BC - Ministry of Public Safety
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/justice/criminal-justice/policing-in-bc/ocr-go/situation-tables>
- i. Currently in place in 20 communities in BC.
- c. Situation Table brings professionals together to identify individuals or families (any age: child, youth, or adult) with “Acutely Elevated Risk” of experiencing a crisis.
 - i. If the risk threshold is met and a multi-agency approach is recommended, then the Situation Table works to connect people to services before a crisis occurs.
 - ii. This model works to help people before they experience victimization, eviction, criminal activity, hospitalization, etc...
 - iii. It is non-disciplinary and completely voluntary. It is an offer of services to those identified as needing it most
- d. **CALL TO ACTION** - If your organization works with clients who are at risk of harm occurring and could benefit from multidisciplinary offer of supports/services, contact crsituationtable@gmail.com
 - i. I can connect you with a referral form and a list of Table Participants (a Table Participant would present the referral on your behalf)
 - ii. If your organization’s staff would benefit from a 10-min presentation about the Situation Table at a staff meeting, feel free to reach out!!



7. YIMBY (Sue) -

- a. Sue - I had an idea to bring together a group of people who could speak in favour of affordable, social, and diverse housing options
 - i. Often there are many people who attend public hearings regarding these types of housing who are against them (NIMBY-sim - Not In My BackYard)
 - ii. This is Yes In My BackYard
 - iii. Newspaper article:
<https://www.campbellrivermirror.com/news/campbell-river-group-wants-to-say-yes-in-my-backyard/>
 - iv. So far, more than a dozen people have reached out to be included in this
 - v. I will be meeting with them in a few weeks to discuss how to move forward
 - vi. **CALL TO ACTION** - if you're interested in being part of this group, whether to participate in public hearings or to help design speaking/writing materials, please let Sue know. The Coalition will field those emails and send to Sue:
info@crhousing.net

8. Good news stories, updates, and discussions - from the floor, as time permits!

- a. Shawn - Kwesa Place - Storage lockers are open! Looking to extend hours so that people can store them while they are eating their dinner and pick them up after
- b. Sara - Saturday - 2pm at the Art Gallery - everyone invited! "Distant Relatives" event:
<https://crartgallery.ca/events/#!event/2022/5/7/opening-reception-distant-relatives>
- c. Sue - My other hat, managing CR Farmers Market and Artisans Faire
 - i. If you want to put up a booth with information about your services please reach out
<https://www.facebook.com/Campbell-River-Farmers-market-Arts-Faire-109714735888857>
- d. Krista - looking for new program coordinator at the CR Beacon Club - club serving adults with mental illness and substance use concerns.
 - i. <https://ca.indeed.com/jobs?q=beacon%20club&l=Campbell%20River%2C%20BC&from=searchOnHP&vjk=942463be23316a9f>
- e. Shawn - National Indigenous Peoples Day June 21 - first planning meeting is tomorrow at noon at LFLS at the gym. Everyone invited.
- f. Audrey - today is Missing Murdered Indigenous Women day - we did some interviews with families affected by MMIW. We will try to share it on our social media. To create awareness around it. Check out Laichwiltach Family Life Society Facebook page!
 - i. <https://www.facebook.com/lfls.laichwiltach>

9. Next community meeting - June 2 - noon