



CRDCEH

Monthly Meeting Agenda
Thursday February 4, 2020
12:00-1:00

1. Welcome - Pat McKenna, host - Habitat for Humanity NI

2. Attendance: 36 people on call

- a. Stefanie Hendrickson - Coalition Coordinator
- b. Heather Gordon Murphy - BIA
- c. Christine Colbert - Campbell River & District Division of Family Practice
- d. Ian Baikie - Volunteer Community Kitchen
- e. Marc Kitteringham - CR Mirror
- f. Michelle Downey
- g. Andrea Eagan - Nursing Student
- h. Leanne McIntee - MOUSS
- i. Caroline - Qualitown Thrift Store
- j. Shaun Koopman - Strathcona Regional District
- k. Hayley Dunbar - Nursing student
- l. Don Kattler - MHRP
- m. Melissa Pelletier - Practicum Student FNHA
- n. Samantha Christiansen - KCFN
- o. Lisa Etter - CIBC
- p. Heather Brownhill - Legal Advocate
- q. Tracy, Candace, Alynne, Courtney - various!
- r. Kimberly Toonders - Public Health Dietician
- s. Sue Moen - Salvation Army
- t. Audrey Wilson - Laichwiltach Family Life Society
- u. Stephanie and Sarah - Nursing Students observing
- v. Kaitlyn Nohr - VIHA
- w. Gwendolyn Donaldson - CAT
- x. Mary Catherine Williams - Volunteer CR
- y. Mary Ruth Snider - CR Chamber
- z. Libby King - Strathcona Health Network
- aa. Lucas Schiller - MP Rachel Blaney
- bb. Valery Puetz - Transitions Society
- cc. John Howard Society
- dd. 2 unknown



3. Reaching Homes Grant - Coalition Coordinator - follow-up

- a. Final reminder to let Coalition know if you are applying for Reaching Homes funds so that we can communicate and make sure we are not in competition for funds. Thank you!

4. PiT update - Coalition Coordinator to update

- a. PiT Count is a 'go' as long as nothing changes with COVID - shelter count is April 8 (night of), daytime count is April 9
- b. Please expect Stefanie to reach out to you regards to this
 - i. Will be reaching out to a few people regarding routes/maps including best times to undertake these routes
 - ii. Will be reaching out to shelters to confirm their services and make sure they get on the list to receive surveys for the count
 - iii. Outreach workers - this year, instead of volunteers. We will probably need 10-12. There will be small honouraria available for organizations who are able to 'lend' outreach workers for a shift or for the day.
 - 1. Please contact Stefanie if you have outreach workers to spare for that day. She will also be in touch with organizations to make sure we have enough numbers.
 - 2. There was a suggestion in the 'chat' about talking with Gwen/Leanne regarding using PEERS to help with this.
- c. Dustin and James from HSABC will be in town for the count and hands-on. They are still figuring out proper COVID protocols for the count.

5. City of Campbell River update - Cleo

- a. CMHC rental report out - rental vacancy rate has gone up - every community in BC did see an increase. We went from 0.4% to 0.9% vacancy - 3.5% is considered a 'healthy' vacancy rate - currently 5th lowest in the province. Last count we were 2nd lowest in province, so we did see an improvement!
- b. Housing Growth Review - This process is just beginning. How are we going to grow housing over the next 10 years in CR? Stay tuned, Cleo will keep us updated.
- c. PiT - excited to hear about PiT count - expect to see some impacts due to BC Housing initiatives that council has been working closely with BC Housing on. 160 applications received for Rosebowl and 580 Dogwood



- d. We do have a permit application in for Eagle Harbour on Fir Street. 55 units. That will be next big project between BC Housing and City of CR - stay tuned for updates.
- e. 580 Dogwood - opening tomorrow - 50 units of supportive housing. There will be a virtual tour in lieu of an actual tour due to COVID
 - i. Urban Indigenous Housing & Wellness committee was very involved in the project helping it to become culturally appropriate and reflective of the many indigenous folks experiencing homelessness
 - ii. Q'Waxsem Place means "Tree House" in Kwakwaka'wakw

6. Qualitown

- a. looking for more program information to help learn about services available for their many homeless clients. If your organization has information that might be helpful to Qualitown, please share info with them - caroline@qualitown.ca
- b. If there is any way Qualitown could help with donations, please contact Caroline. For example, if someone has a new home and needs clothing, pots and pans, etc... happy to help with donations!

7. Presentation - Nursing students Hayley Dunbar & Andrea Eagan

- a. 3rd year students - practicum placement. Health promotion and social justice lens - intention is to explore the future of the Coalition and how the Coalition can best support the community
 - i. Will be contacting you or your organizations (mostly by email) and asking some questions to get a better idea of how well the Coalition is working for you, gaps in services, what we could be doing better as a community, etc...
 - ii. Also looking at how to include People With Lived/Living Experience in the conversations around homelessness.

8. Presentation - Situation Table Concept - Leanne McIntee

- a. Sgt. Wayne Baier initiated - put proposal together for 'Situation Table' - this is an attempt ameliorate any disconnect between organizations regarding mental health supports
- b. To note, Campbell River does really well with communication already. This is to augment work that is already being done and to bring a focus to mental health.



- c. This is a table of agencies interacting to serve folks with mental health concerns. How can we work together to alleviate any issues?
- d. First meeting - talk about what training looks like, what the table will actually look like, etc. If you are interested, please get in contact with Leanne as it is important that everyone relevant be at the table.

9. Housing Update 580 Dogwood- Vancouver Island Mental Health Society - Kristi

- a. 'Opening' tomorrow but move-ins will be mid-February
- b. All invitations have gone out to all 50 residents
- c. Another 20 invitations to go out for Rosebowl. Extension at this point is to March 31 of 'Rosebowl 2.0'.

10. Good News Story - Kwesa and Hama?Elas

a. Ian - Hama?Elas

- i. Community Kitchen opened November 26 - over 500 meals have gone through the kitchen
- ii. 85 volunteers in system right now - many have taken foodsafe and continuing with that
- iii. Individuals who come in and cook and some bring their own food as a 'donation' once or more a month
- iv. Lots of business support for donations of food, etc...
- v. Patrons seem happier right now - there have been really respectful interactions. There has been no need to intervene in any situations. Very positive!
- vi. Don't be afraid to stop by during dinner hour. It is heartwarming to see!

b. Audrey - Kwesa Place

- i. Sent out schedule for Kwesa Place - it is a place for cleansing. Laundry and shower services. Towels and toiletries. Clothing. Coffee and snacks
- ii. COVID rules in place - questions, temperature check, sanitize - maximum 6 people at any time. People have been very respectful of that.
- iii. No drug or alcohol use in the building.
- iv. Seeing 18 to 40 people on operating days. Has generally been very positive so far.



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- v. Heather Gordon Murphy (BIA) - is there any plan to expand days of service
 - 1. They have now gone from 3 days/week to 5/days per week. 10am-4pm
- vi. Qualitown says they have some donations they can give (laundry soap, etc...) - Audrey is happy to accept such donations

11. Social Media - Are you following the Coalition on Facebook and Instagram?

- a. <https://www.facebook.com/crdceh>
- b. <https://www.instagram.com/crdcoalitionhomelessness/>

12. Next meeting - the first Thursday of the month at Noon (March 4)