



# Housing and Homeless Coalition of Beaver County

July 14, 2022  
Meeting Agenda

**Welcome and Housekeeping:** Dina called the meeting to order around 1:35 pm. She reminded the folks on Zoom to sign into the chat and the people in the room to sign the sign-in sheet.

*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 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at 1:30 pm. Meetings will be provided in the safest format. Email [ciabottonidina@gmail.com](mailto:ciabottonidina@gmail.com) for the meeting information and to provide input and feedback.*

*Archived Coalition Meeting Minutes are available at <https://bccan.org/housing-resources/>*

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## 1. OPEN DISCUSSION

**Darcy Casey** (Housing Authority) reported that the HA will be adding a cover sheet to the applications for case manager information. This will enable the HA to contact the case manager should they have difficulty reaching the applicant.

**Heather Slaughter** (SDHP/Inglis) reported that SDHP received \$125 million for their Home Modification Program. She explained that SDHP does not work directly with clients – rather they work on the system level. She is available to provide technical assistance and education. Heather noted that she is available to come to your sites to do training. She also reminded the group of the webinar series she recently sent out. She spoke of their landlord outreach team and noted that training on risk mitigation funds will be coming soon. Heather also reported two 811 units available at Koppel Terrace. These are units for people with a disability, who are Medicaid eligible, and who are at risk of institutionalization. She noted that the bus does not access this location. Finally, she reported that SDHP is hiring for two positions in the eastern part of the state and that a regional coordinator position will be opening soon in the western part of the state.

**Nancy Grieco** (Red Cross) reported 5 family fires since our last meeting. She indicated that 10 adults and 1 minor were impacted. There are currently 3 open cases, but the households are still determining if they need/want help. She also noted that the Red Cross is currently retraining all of their volunteers.

**Dina Ciabattoni** (Continuum of Care Coordinator) reported the following:

- The Literacy Pittsburgh calendars in the emailed packet. She stated that the agency will be coming next month to present on their services.
- The two survey links on the agenda. One is to gauge veteran needs so the VA can plan their services accordingly. And the other is for BCBH to determine unmet needs and plan accordingly.
- The Housing Authority Golf Outing is scheduled for 8/22. If interested call, 724.775.1220

## 2. AGENDA

### Crossroads Treatment Centers

**Jessica Rogan**

Jessica introduced herself as the Care Manager at Crossroads Treatment Center in Beaver. She stated that although new to Beaver County, they have been in Greenville since 2005 and they have 120

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locations in 10 states throughout the nation. She stated that their phone is answered 24 hours a day and they can do an instant intake. She noted that they can dispense medication prior to the first appointment as part of their harm reduction strategies. She stated that patients are screened at every appointment, and they have a testing lab in the office for quick results. They screen for both drugs and medication levels which help determine the frequency of follow up appointments. They can also test for HepC and provide treatment as needed. She stated that they accept Medicaid and Medicare and are considered a Center of Excellency. She stated that they do refer to other services as needed as well (transportation, housing, food) and she is looking forward to getting know members of this group for that reason. She further described that Crossroads also provides mental health treatment. They can provide medication for depression, anxiety, and PTSD and medication is usually available the same day. They also can prescribe an app that focuses on Cognitive Behavioral Therapy techniques in 7 minutes sessions to help deter the urge to use. Counseling is also available. She invited everyone to their open house session on July 28<sup>th</sup> from 3 pm – 7pm at 1200 Sharon Road Beaver, PA. See attached flyer for more information.

## **ERAP highlights**

**Marlene/Dina**

Marlene wanted to cover the ERAP highlights today but was unable to attend the meeting. Dina shared her notes with the group. \$8.9 million has been spent from ERAP 1. This has assisted 1,794 unique households and 602 landlords. \$94,000 has been spent from ERAP 2. Marlene reported that 61% of households served were at or below 30% Area Median Income, 24% of households were between 31-50% AMI, and 15% were between 51-80% AMI. So the program truly is serving those at the lowest incomes. The program is slated to run to the end of September 2024 or until all funding is expended – whichever occurs first. She also noted that the backlog is being addressed with additional staff and new procedures (see attached landlord form).

## **Funding Opportunities Updates**

**Dina Ciabattoni**

Dina provided updates on the two upcoming, anticipated funding opportunities. First, she reported that the Home4Good competition will be handled locally. She stated that typically, PHFA has the CoC coordinate the local competition and submit proposals to PHFA for final selection. This year they will be passing the funds directly to the CoC to disburse according to their needs. Dina stated that PHFA has not released the specific details yet but she will notify the group once they do. She anticipates that Community Development Program (CDP) will put out an RFP for these funds. Second, the CoC Competition has not officially opened yet. Based on the timing of pre-competition tasks, Dina thinks this will open around the beginning of August. She stated that CDP will put out RFPs for any new funding opportunities as soon as possible once the Notice of Funding Opportunity is released.

## **Bed Availability**

**Dina Ciabattoni**

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Dina shared the bed Availability chart. She noted there are openings with Crescent Commons (must be chronically homeless and have an advocate) and Stone Harbour. Both of these programs accept referrals through Coordinated Entry. Dina also noted that there were no significant changes on the CE waitlists. See attached.

**NEXT MEETING:**  
**August 11, 2022 at 1:30 pm**

## ***SAVE THE DATES & OPPORTUNITIES***

**VA CHALLENGE - Veteran Needs survey:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CHALENG2022>

**BCBH Stakeholder Survey:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BCBHBBlockGrantSurvey>

**BCBH Stakeholder Hearing** on 7/21/22 from 1- 3 pm at MHA located at 105 Brighton Avenue Rochester PA 15074

**Housing Authority Golf Outing Fund Raiser** on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. If interested in participating, call: 724.775.1220

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

**Information on NA meetings** throughout the county (both in person and online), visit: [beavervalleyna.org](http://beavervalleyna.org)

**FYI – The PA Dept. of Drug & Alcohol Program** has established a **24 hour, 7 days/week hotline** for those seeking D&A treatment services. The phone number is 1.800.662.4357.

The 7/14/22 Housing & Homeless Coalition Meeting was held on Zoom. Below is a list of attendees who were visibly present or who signed into the chat.

Harry Angelo	Job Training
Kate Willette	The Children's Institute
Shante Thompson	CRS
Michelle Medlin	Lifesteps Early Head Start
Cyndi Brown	ABC Associates
Sheila Good	Housing Authority
Penny Jones	Landlord/ACRE
Amy Jurich	Harmony House/Lighthouse
Ken Huwe	DON Services
Lori Gagan	Staunton Clinic
Marissa Moyer	CRS

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Donald Walker	Beaver County Head Start
Matt Stahoviak	BCBH
Mary Ann McDevitt	Women's Center
George Ifill	Highmark Wholecare
Branden Dudek	Central Outreach Wellness Center
Jodi Pavlinch	CYS
Casey Seevers	CYS
Cyndi Gilkey	Neighborhood Legal Services
George Beegle	HMIS
Jan Davis	TRAILS
Michelle Walter	Literacy Pittsburgh
Mike Stanislow	VLP/SSVF
Jessica Rogan	Crossroads Treatment Center
Nancy Greico	Red Cross
Amy Frederick	BC CYS
Heather Slaughter	SDHP/Inglis
Melissa Grimes	Housing Authority
Darcy Casey	Housing Authority
Dina Ciabattoni	CoC Coordinator
Paul Lebanik	St. Vincent De Paul
Denise DiVittis	Domestic Relations
Zabriawn Smith	Housing Opportunities
Sarah Lozier	Merakey
Raeanne Barlow	3 <sup>rd</sup> Step Church Recovery
Renee Sannan	The Salvation Army
Erin Mizer	Beacon Health Options
Felicia Alexander	PA Health Wellness

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# Computer Classes- August 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>1</b> <b>Internet Basics</b> 10:00-12:00  <b>Excel for Job Search</b> 1:00-3:00	<b>2</b> <b>Computer Basics</b> 10:00-12:00  <b>Excel</b> 1:00- 3:00	<b>3</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 2:00  <b>Instagram for Business</b> 2:00-4:00	<b>4</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	<b>5</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 9:00 – 4:00
<b>8</b> <b>Internet Basics</b> 10:00-12:00  <b>Email Etiquette Workshop</b> 1:00-3:00	<b>9</b> <b>Computer Basics</b> 10:00-12:00  <b>Excel</b> 1:00- 3:00	<b>10</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	<b>11</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	<b>12</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 9:00 – 2:00
<b>15</b> <b>Internet Basics</b> 10:00-12:00  <b>LinkedIn Workshop</b> 1:00-3:00	<b>16</b> <b>QR Code Workshop</b> 10:00-12:00  <b>Password Safety Workshop</b> 1:00-3:00	<b>17</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	<b>18</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	<b>19</b> <b>Computer Lab Closed</b>
<b>22</b> <b>Computer Lab Closed</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Computer Lab Closed</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	<b>25</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	<b>26</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 9:00 – 2:00
<b>29</b> <b>Open Computer Lab</b> 9:00 – 12:00  <b>Google Drive Workshop</b> 1:00- 3:00	<b>30</b> <b>Power Point</b> 10:00-12:00  Evening Class at The Soma Gathering, Downtown Beaver Falls <b>Open House/Open Lab</b> 6:00-8:00	<b>31</b> <b>Google Docs</b> 10:00-12:00  <b>Windows 10</b> 1:00-3:00	<b>1</b> <b>SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00-3:00	<b>2</b> <b>Open Computer Lab Day</b> 10:00-3:00

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				1 Open Computer Lab Day 9:00 – 2:00
4 <b>CareerLink Office Closed</b> For July 4 <sup>th</sup> <b>Computer Lab Closed</b>	5 Computer Basics 10:00-12:00 Excel 1:00- 3:00 <u>NO OPEN LAB</u>	6 Open Computer Lab Day 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	7 Open Computer Lab Day 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	8 Open Computer Lab Day 9:00 – 2:00
11 Internet Basics 10:00-12:00 Linked in Workshop, Day 1 1:00-3:00 <u>NO OPEN LAB</u>	12 Computer Basics 10:00-12:00 Excel 1:00- 3:00 <u>NO OPEN LAB</u>	13 Open Computer Lab Day 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	14 Open Computer Lab Day 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	15 <b>Computer Lab Closed</b>
18 Internet Basics 10:00-12:00 Linked in Workshop, Day 2 1:00-3:00 <u>NO OPEN LAB</u>	19 Computer Basics 10:00-12:00 Excel 1:00- 3:00 <u>NO OPEN LAB</u>	20 Open Computer Lab Day 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	21 Open Computer Lab Day 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	22 Open Computer Lab Day 9:00 – 2:00
25 Internet Basics 10:00-12:00 Excel for Job Search, Day 1 1:00-3:00 <u>NO OPEN LAB</u>	26 Computer Basics 10:00-12:00 Excel 1:00- 3:00 <u>NO OPEN LAB</u>	27 Open Computer Lab Day 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	28 Open Computer Lab Day 10:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 4:00	29 Open Computer Lab Day 9:00 – 2:00





## WE HELP PEOPLE GET THEIR LIVES BACK

Crossroads provides outpatient, medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for substance use disorders and comprehensive care for mental health.

### WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Our intensive care-coordination team, along with our vast network of providers, combines MAT with evidence-based practices and measurement-based care. We accept Medicaid, Medicare, and most major insurances at most locations. Our model delivers the most convenient, comprehensive, and high-quality care available to help our patients on the road to recovery.

#### Our services include:

- Virtual visits
- Medication
- Counseling\*
- Toxicology screenings
- Mental health\*\*
- Care coordination
- Comprehensive treatment plans

#### Convenient

We provide the highest level of convenience with our virtual visits, a 24/7 call center, and appointments in 24 hours or less. We have over 50 locations in Pennsylvania, including 6 in Central Pennsylvania.

#### Comprehensive

Our care managers develop individualized patient plans and coordinate treatment with a network of trusted providers at more than 120 locations.

#### High Quality

We combine medication for depression, anxiety, and opioid use disorder with counseling, digital mental health treatment and health screens, and toxicology services to deliver what the CDC and NIH consider to be the “gold standard” of care.

\* Not available at all locations

\*\* Anxiety and depression

For more information, visit [CrossroadsTreatmentCenters.com](https://CrossroadsTreatmentCenters.com) or call **800-805-6989** to speak with a patient access specialist.



EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
LANDLORD CERTIFICATION FORM

By signing the form below, I CERTIFY THAT I am the owner or legal agent of the residence listed below as the TENANT ADDRESS and that the tenant is either at least one month in arrears of their rent payment and is in danger of eviction or the renter is not currently in arrears, but is requesting rental assistance going forward.

If I am not the owner of record, I will provide a management agreement or notarized document signed by the owner, authorizing me to receive payment on their behalf.

Please check applicable line:

- ☐ I agree to participate and will accept payment for said arrearage or assistance going forward.
- ☐ I refuse to participate and will not accept payment.

Monthly Rent Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Requested Rental Assistance Going Forward: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Period of Assistance Requested Going Forward (Mo./Year) thru (Mo./Year) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Rental Arrears: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Time Period of Arrearage  
\_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month/Year) (Month/Year)

Late Fees: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Up to \$100/month for a maximum of \$500 per application

Court or Magisterial Fees: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Court fee documentation must be included with this form)

Other Fees: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Description and documentation of these fees must be included with this form)

\_\_\_\_\_  
LANDLORD/COMPANY NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

\_\_\_\_\_  
TENANT NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
TENANT ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

\_\_\_\_\_  
TENANT CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

\_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBER

\_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBER

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LANDLORD/REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE and DATE

***I understand and agree that I am responsible for any fraudulent statements made on this certification form. By signing this form, I certify that all information that has been entered is true under penalty of perjury.***



Housing Program	Type	Availability	Units/Beds	Occupancy	Administrator	Refer thru Coordinated Entry
Crescent Commons*	Permanent	3	24	88%	Housing Authority	Refer thru Coordinated Entry
Friendship Homes*	Permanent	0	33	100%	Salvation Army	Refer thru Coordinated Entry
BC On-Call	Emergency	0	2	100%	The Cornerstone	
CARL*	Permanent	0	41	100%	Housing Authority	Refer thru Coordinated Entry
Stone Harbour*	Transitional	7	12	42%	CRS	male and female openings
CRS Transitional	Transitional	3	15	80%	CRS	3 female openings
Help House	Transitional	0	11	100%	Housing Authority	
Harmony House	Transitional	0	4	100%	BCCYS/SA	CYS referrals only.
BCCYS Housing	Emergency	0	14	100%	BCCYS	two 3 BRs, and one 2 BR
Women's Center	Emergency	0	24	100%	BC Women's Center	
Women's Center	Transitional	being used for quarantine	10	#VALUE!	BC Women's Center	
SA Rapid Rehousing *	Permanent	0	N/A	N/A	Salvation Army	Refer thru Coordinated Entry
Safely Home*	Permanent	3	16	81%	Housing Authority	Women Center referral needed
Lighthouse	Transitional	2	3	33%	BCCYS/SA	CYS referrals only.

\*McKinney Vento Supportive Housing Programs - See reverse side of chart for HUDs disability & homeless eligibility requirements.

#### Wait List Details

Subsidized or Section 8	Location	Bedroom Types	Wait List Details
Brightwood Manor	New Brighton	4- 2BRs; 1-3BR	Taking applications
Beaver Falls Plaza	Beaver Falls	Full	Taking applications.
Scottwood Apts	Hopewell	1BR elderly/disabled	Taking Applications
Valley Terrace	Aliquippa	1 eff. And 2-3BRs	Taking Applications
ValleyView	New Brighton	1 -1BR; 6 -2BR; 1 - 3BR	Taking Applications
Spring Run	Monaca	Full	Taking Applications
Towne Tower	Aliquippa	6 - one bedrooms	Taking Applications
Pinney Street Manor	Rochester	Sr. 1 BR	Building an accessible waitlist. Income cap 1 person: \$26,600; 2 people:

#### Housing Authority

Ambridge Towers	Ambridge	filling up!	Must be 45 yrs+ or permanently disabled
Mt. Washington	Beaver Falls	1- 4 bedroom	
Eleanor Roosevelt	Aliquippa	vacancies	Must be 45 yrs+ or permanently disabled
Sheffield Towers	Aliquippa	vacancies	must be 62 years old or older
Morado	Beaver Falls	a few vacancies	
Corak Towers	Midland	vacancies	Must be 45 yrs+ or permanently disabled
811 Program	Koppel/Roch.	2 - 1 BRs (Koppel)	*See back for more information

**\*Housing Authority applications are accepted for all sites.**

#### Coordinated Entry Waitlists

PSH: 20 (21)
TH: 18 (10)
RRH: 51 (48) Includes all RRH prgms

() indicates last month's count



## Description of Beaver County McKinney Vento Supportive Housing Programs

**Community Assisted Residential Living (C.A.R.L.)** is a permanent supportive housing program for homeless households with a disability. It is a tenant based rental model administered by the Housing Authority of Beaver County. The Program focuses on households with the longest length of homelessness, homeless households with children, veterans, and victims of domestic violence. Individuals and families live in scattered sites. The program is not funded to provide case management services. Contact information: Melissa Grimes [mgrimes@beavercountyhousing.org](mailto:mgrimes@beavercountyhousing.org)

**Crescent Commons** is a permanent supportive housing program administered by the Housing Authority of Beaver County which provides housing vouchers to participants who are chronically homeless with disabilities and who have exhausted all other housing options. At full operational capacity the program should house approximately 31 people. Individuals and families live in scattered sites. The program is not funded to provide case management services. Contact information: Darcy Casey [darcycasey@att.net](mailto:darcycasey@att.net)

**Friendship Homes** is a 33 bed scattered permanent supportive housing program administered by the Salvation Army for both chronically homeless and non-chronically homeless individuals and families and with disabilities. In addition to housing, the program is funded to provide moderate case management services. Contact information: Renee Sannan [Renee.Sannan@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Renee.Sannan@use.salvationarmy.org)

**Stone Harbour** is a transitional supportive housing program administered by Cornerstone Recovery and Supports (CRS) which provides supportive housing for 12 chronically homeless individuals struggling with co-occurring disorders of mental illness and substance abuse, as well as those with legal histories. Individuals live in a single site in Freedom PA. The program is funded to provide on-site case management services. Contact information: Marcy Scott: [mscott@crscares.org](mailto:mscott@crscares.org)

**Salvation Army Rapid Re-Housing** is a medium term rapid re-housing program for homeless households who score for rapid re-housing through Coordinated Entry and who need longer term financial assistance (up to 2 years). Individual assessment will determine length of financial support and types of supportive services offered. Contact information: Renee Sannan [Renee.Sannan@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Renee.Sannan@use.salvationarmy.org)

**Safely Home** is a medium term rapid re-housing program for homeless households fleeing DV situations. The Women's Center will also provide support to clients. Referrals come from CE and are verified by the Women's Center. Contact information: Darcy Casey at [darcycasey@att.net](mailto:darcycasey@att.net)

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### 811 Program (not a McKinney Vento program)

A subsidized housing program for disabled adults (age 18-61) who are either in an institution or at risk of institutionalization and who are able to reside in the community with supports. Criteria include:

- Disabled and Medicaid eligible. Also eligible for long-term services and supports
- Income at or below 30% AMI
- Eligible for the Housing Authority

Questions and/or applications can be directed to Lisa Kessler at [hacblk@comcast.net](mailto:hacblk@comcast.net)