

*Yamhill County, Oregon*

**TEN YEAR ENDING HOMELESSNESS PLAN**

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Report to the Community:  
**Year Four**

September 1, 2011-August 31, 2012

Ending Homelessness Governing Council

It has been four years since the launch of the draft of Yamhill County's Ten Year Ending Homelessness Plan, a ten-year housing plan with special focus on chronic homelessness. The plan (available at [http://www.co.yamhill.or.us/homelessness/ten\\_year\\_plan.pdf](http://www.co.yamhill.or.us/homelessness/ten_year_plan.pdf)) is a comprehensive effort to better utilize existing resources and generate new resources to address the county's affordable housing and homelessness crisis.

The decision to develop the plan began in fall 2006 with the Yamhill County Commissioners passing a resolution indicating backing for efforts to move forward with a 10-Year Plan to end homeless. The End Homelessness Now Committee (now the Ending Homelessness Governing Council) was formed in Fall 2007 with one of the goals being to develop a 10-Year Ending Homelessness Plan to present to the community, which was done in September 2008.

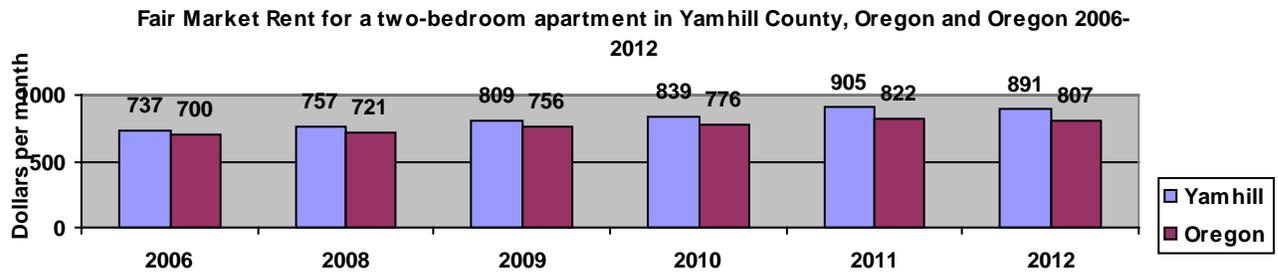
Yamhill County's Ten Year Ending Homelessness Plan has an ambitious goal: our plan is not to "manage" homelessness, but to end homelessness. Our plan is to see homelessness disappear and see that every citizen has a decent, safe and affordable place to call home. The 10-year housing plan for Yamhill County focuses especially on chronic homelessness and provides perspectives on what is going on nationally and in Oregon.

For the Ending Homelessness Governing Council, Ending Homelessness means:

- ✓ Community buy-in
- ✓ Rapid re-housing with services and extended follow-up
- ✓ Economic development and jobs
- ✓ Community and private resources

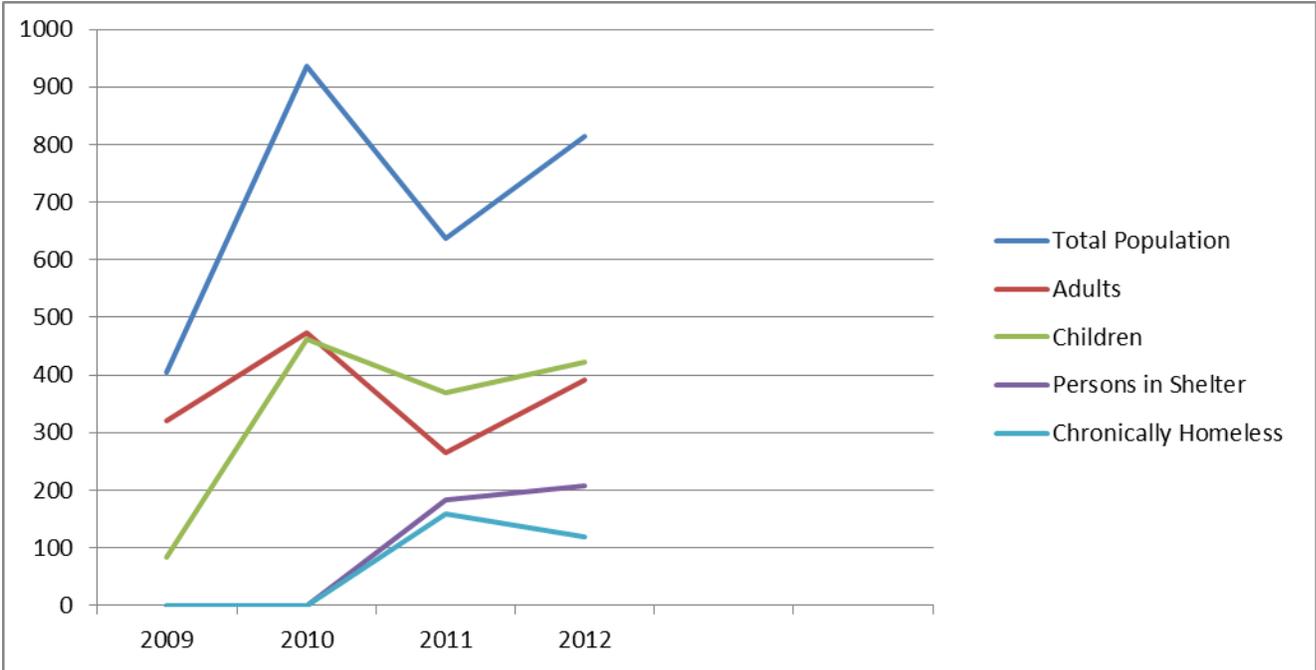
### **Current Needs**

In 2012 in Yamhill County, the Fair Market Rent (FMR) for a two-bedroom apartment was \$891 per month. In order to afford this level of rent and utilities, without paying more than 30% of income on housing, a household must earn around \$2,970 monthly or \$35,640 annually. Assuming a 40-hour workweek, 52 weeks per year, this level of income translates into an hourly Housing Wage of \$17.13. In Oregon, a minimum wage worker earns an hourly wage of \$8.80. In order to afford the FMR for a two-bedroom apartment, a minimum wage earner must work 78 hours per week, 52 weeks per year. Or, a household must include 2 minimum wage earners working 39 hours per week year-round in order to make the two-bedroom FMR affordable. An estimated 54 percent of renters are unable to afford the Fair Market Rent for a 2 bedroom rental ([www.indicatorsnorthwest.org](http://www.indicatorsnorthwest.org)). For those receiving Monthly Supplement Security Income (SSI) payments, the outlook is even bleaker. Monthly Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments for an individual are \$698 in Yamhill County. If SSI represents an individual's sole source of income, \$209 in monthly rent is affordable, while the FMR for a one-bedroom is \$771.

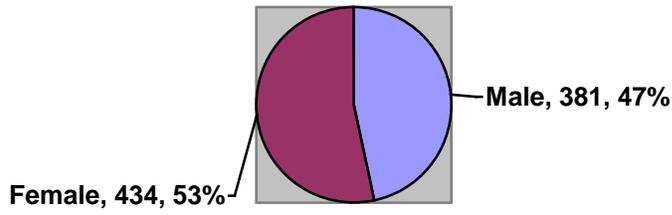


Homelessness in Yamhill County comes in many forms. Based on the data from the Point In Time Count that was conducted in January 2012, 469 families with a combined total of 815 individuals were counted as being homeless on that particular day.

### Point in Time Homeless Count Data

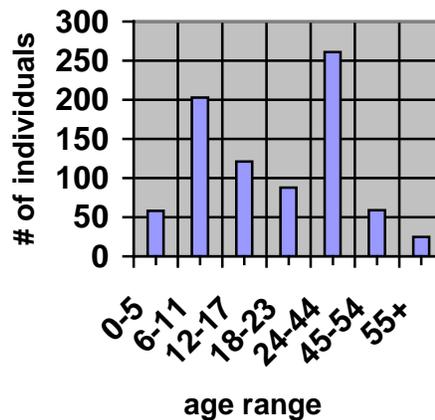


## Household Type

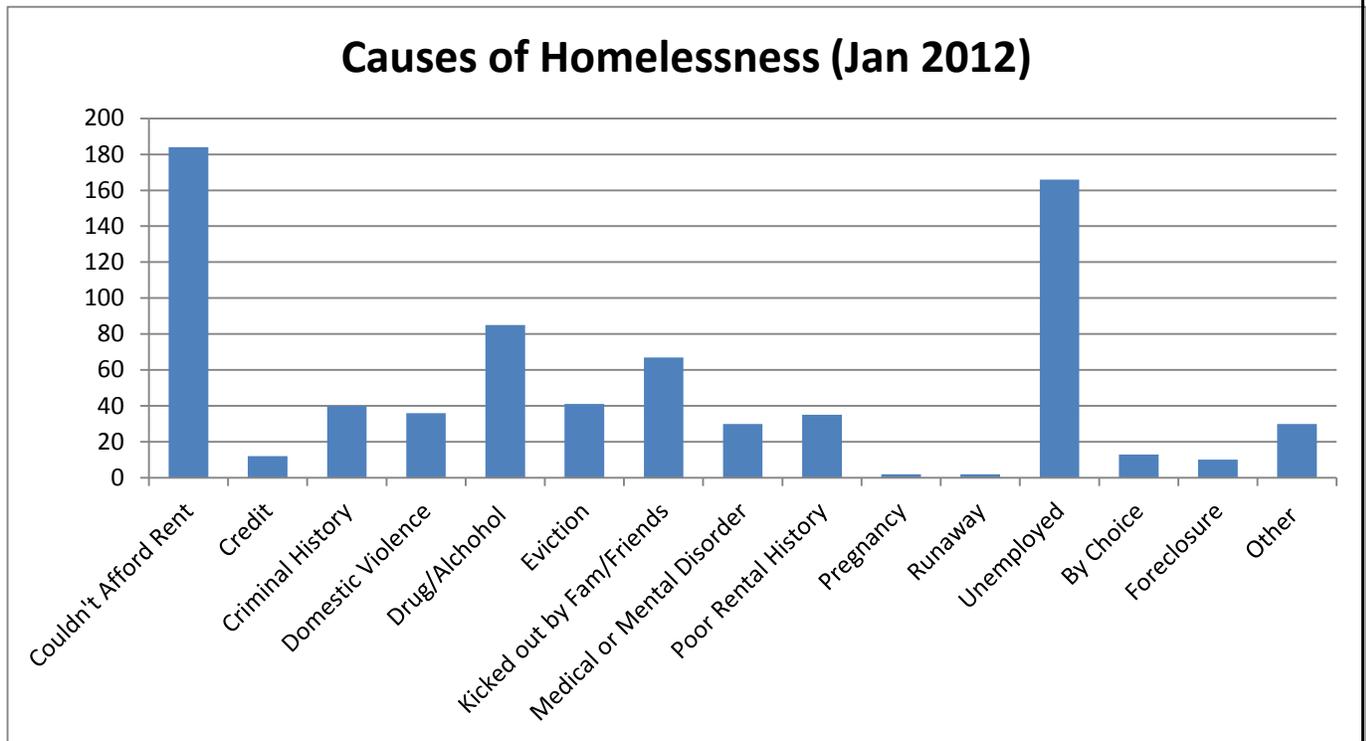


*Household Type:* Out of the 815 individuals counted, 381 or 47% were male and 434 or 53% were female.

## Age Distribution



*Age Distribution:* The number of children experiencing homelessness is of concern as 47% (382 individuals) of the homeless population counted during the Point In Time Count that was conducted in January 2012 are children under the age of 18. In addition, for the school year 2011-12, the McKinney-Vento count through the Oregon Department of Education found 456 homeless school-aged children identified in Yamhill County. 195 of these were identified within the Newberg School District and 119 within the McMinnville School District.



*Top Causes for Homelessness:* Of the respondents, 184 indicated they were homeless due to not being able to afford rent, 166 due to being unemployed, 67 due to being kicked out by family/friends, and 61 due to use of drug/alcohol by self. Other reasons provided by respondents for being homeless include credit history, criminal history, domestic violence, being evicted by a landlord, use of drug/alcohol in the home, medical problems, mental or emotional disorder, poor rental history, pregnancy, property being sold, being a runaway, due to foreclosure, and by choice.

Others, who live from month-to-month, are very susceptible to becoming homeless. One medical emergency, job loss, eviction notice, or other calamity and they too, are one paycheck away from becoming homeless.

### Current Progress

The fourth year of the Yamhill County's 10 Year Ending Homelessness Plan was filled with a great variety of activities requiring strong communication and coordination among our community partners to accomplish desired outcomes. In the fourth year of the plan, we have completed or made progress on 35 of the 40 individual tasks identified in the plan thanks to the investment of time and energy by a number of organizations and people. Here is an update of each task identified in the plan:

#### Action Step 1: Complete full homeless count, update strategies and goals of 10-Year Plan

- ✓ **Action Step 1, task 1 – Complete Full Countywide Homeless Count:** Lead agency **Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP)** - completed full countywide homeless count – January 2012. A unique addition to this year's count was the partnership with Medical Team International. Medical Teams International hosted

a dental van at St. Barnabas Soup Kitchen and assisted ten males and eight females with emergency dental needs. Another unique addition to the 2012 count was the use of 211 to take information from individuals who could not make it to a count point or were missed in the street count. A sub-committee has been created to orchestrate the 2013 Homeless Count.

- ✓ **Action Step 1, task 2 – Create subcommittees to implement Action Steps of the 10-Year Plan:** Task completed in first year of plan.

#### Action Step 2: Adopt Housing First Strategy

- ✓ **Action Step 2 – Create and adopt strong statement of Housing First as the guiding philosophy of all housing programs in the 10-Year Plan:** Housing First is an approach that centers on providing homeless people with housing quickly and then providing services as needed. What differentiates a Housing First approach from other strategies is that there is an immediate and primary focus on helping individuals and families quickly access and sustain permanent housing. **Task completed in June 2010.**

#### Action Step 3: Stop Discharging People into Homelessness

- ✓ **Action Step 3, task 1 – Advocate for system change, requiring links to housing, services and supports to be part of approved discharge plan from local institutions like the hospital and jail for high risk and special needs populations:** Two initiatives, the Evidenced Based Decision Making Initiative (EBDMI) and the Adult Mental Health Initiative (AMHI) both work to address having approved discharge plans in place. The Evidenced Based Decision Making Initiative is led by **Yamhill County Community Corrections** and plans to target both pre-trial and post-sentencing jail release plans. The EBDMI Policy Team of stakeholders meets monthly for progress updates from the working groups for pretrial and sentencing which meets twice monthly. System changes continue to be implemented with the assistance of technical assistants from the National Institute of Corrections (NIC) and data collection/analysis. The Adult Mental Health Initiative is led by **Yamhill County Adult Mental Health** and targets hospital discharge. In the reporting period, there were a total of 17 enrollees from Yamhill County. Of these, 8 transitioned to a lower level of care in the community and are living in Yamhill County and 3 have transitioned to a lower level of care and are living outside of Yamhill County.
- ✓ **Action Step 3, task 2 – Establish specialized fast track vouchers for population being case managed by YCAP, YCCC, YCH&HS and DHS:** Memorandums of Understanding have been in place between the **Housing Authority of Yamhill County (HAYC)** and Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP), Yamhill County Community Corrections (YCCC), Yamhill County Health and Human Services (YCH&HS) and the Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide prioritized and expedited voucher processing for clients meeting specified criteria. In this reporting period, a new Memorandum of Understanding was put in place between the Housing Authority of Yamhill County and the Yamhill

County Veteran's Office to provide prioritized and expedited voucher processing for clients meeting specified criteria.

- ✓ **Action Step 3, task 3 – As a supplement to 211, create referral sheet to be handed to individuals that are homeless that offers housing options in Yamhill County for men, women and youth. Distribute referral sheet to Providence Medical Center, and Coffee Creek: Love INC completed task in 3<sup>rd</sup> Year of Plan. Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP) has provided a county resource guide in both Spanish and English for many years. This is the final year YCAP will print the resource guide as all referrals are now being made to 211 which has personnel who are trained to ask the right questions to be able to direct people to agencies that will best meet their needs.**

#### Action Step 4: Improve Outreach to Persons Experiencing Homelessness

- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 1 – Establish Daytime Service Center/Resource space that will provide immediate access to social services, housing placement assistance, lockers, showers and other basic service needs. Include access to rental assistance, resource information, transportation, phones and provide place for clients to use as a mailing address/mail access: Progress to date includes the following: Salvation Army allows individuals to wash a load of laundry/week, provides showers 1-4:30 M-F, and gives out long distance phone cards; Love INC provides showers 9-2 T-TH; First Baptist hands out laundry cards; 211 assists with resource location; Hope on the Hill provides gas vouchers and bus passes to the homeless and those in need. Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP) provides information and resource referral. YCAP also provides internet and nationwide phone access for individuals seeking housing, resources, and work. Housing Authority of Yamhill County (HAYC) has a resource center which provides information and resource referral as well as computer access for individuals seeking housing, education and employment opportunities. Provoking Hope allows individuals who are homeless 30 minutes to warm up, get something to eat, get clothing and use the computer. They refer clients to the Lyons Club for glass via helping with the application and also assist with filling out applications for phones.**
- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 2 – Establish committee compiled of community members to continue Community Connect Event: Lead agency Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP) - 2012 Community Connect Event was held on June 20, 2012. Over 600 individuals were served with participation from nearly 300 individuals who contributed during the day of the event by volunteering, hosting a booth, donating blood, and/or providing services. One of the greatest additions to the event in 2012 was the large amount of dental assistance available. Over thirty dental assistants, hygienists and dentists provided triage, cleaning and emergency care to over 150 homeless and low-income children and adults. A sub-committee has been created to coordinate the 2013 Community Connect Event.**

- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 3 – Provide training opportunities to local law enforcement officers in outreach to homeless youth populations:** **Yamhill Community Action Partnership's** youth program has been working with local police departments and doing ride alongs to train officers for many years. This covers Newberg/Dundee and McMinnville Police Departments as well as the Yamhill County Sheriff.
- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 4 – Strengthen and expand the capacity of existing agencies that serve individuals experiencing homelessness or housing instability:** **First Federal** and the News Register continue to co-sponsor a place to post volunteer needs on Facebook. The Facebook page is a volunteer hub for Yamhill County, connecting local people with volunteer opportunities. The page can be reached from the “Volunteer Connection” link on First Federal’s home page at <https://www.firstfedmcm.com/home/home>. In addition, the Hands On Mid-Willamette Valley website has been used to post volunteer needs and to recruit volunteers. This page can be reached at <http://www.handsonw.org/>.
- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 5 – Increase utilization of Yamhill Providers List Serve:** During the period of January 1, 2011-August 31, 2012, there were 184 messages sent through the Yamhill Providers List Serve (**211**). Membership increased from 66 to 82 members for an increase of 16 new members.
- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 6 – Increase the number of community meals in McMinnville to eight per week:** Faith-based organizations in McMinnville under the umbrella of **Love in Action** have increased the number of community meals in McMinnville to eight per week. This includes **Love,Unconditional** feeding the homeless lunch on Thursdays in Wortman Park through an event known as “Friends in the Park.” In 2011, the total number of meals served between St. Barnabas Soup Kitchen, First Presbyterian Church, Cooperative Ministries, McMinnville Covenant Church, and Love, Unconditional was 46,161.
- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 7 – Increase the number of community meals from 3 nights to 5 nights a week in Newberg:** In the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the plan, faith-based organizations in Newberg increased the number of community dinner meals from 3 nights to 4 nights a week. The goal is to increase this number further to 5 dinner meals by February 2013.
- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 8 – Increase the number of breakfast bags and sack lunch kits from 300 to 500 a month:** There is no update for this task during this reporting period.
- ✓ **Action Step 4, task 9 – Create opportunities for individuals that are homeless to volunteer, to work, and to network:** **Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP)** accepts homeless volunteers to serve in diverse ways. Nearly 30% of adults in YCAP shelters volunteer in the community, and YCAP regularly utilizes homeless volunteers to fulfill maintenance needs, work on group projects and

donate their time in the Food Bank. **St. Barnabas Soup Kitchen** allows individuals that are homeless to volunteer and is a good place for folks to network.

#### Action Step 5: Preserve and Increase the Supply of Affordable/Transitional Housing in Yamhill County

- ✓ **Action Step 5, task 1 – Obtain State and Federal assistance to create 10 new units of Permanent Supportive Housing per year:** The **Housing Authority of Yamhill County (HAYC)** has secured funding to create 8 units of housing for chronically mentally ill individuals as part of an overall project plan for a planned development in Newberg. Construction is scheduled to start in June 2013 with lease-up to occur in Spring 2014.
- ✓ **Action Step 5, task 2 – Create 10 units of Affordable Workforce Housing per year:** Between September 1, 2011 and August 31, 2012, 12 units of Affordable Workforce Housing were created. **McMinnville Habitat for Humanity** served 3 families this last year and is currently building one home in McMinnville. Habitat has started the process for the infrastructure at the Aspire Community Development in McMinnville which will eventually assist 35 more families obtain affordable homes upon its completion. **Community Home Builders** completed construction on 9 units of affordable workforce housing in Lafayette. The **Housing Authority of Yamhill County (HAYC)** has secured funding to create 48 units of housing for working families as part of an overall project plan for a planned development in Newberg. Construction is scheduled to start in June 2013 with lease-up to occur in Spring 2014.
- ✓ **Action Step 5, task 3 – Create 10 units of Affordable Senior Housing per year:** There is no update for this task during this reporting period.
- ✓ **Action Step 5, task 4 – Increase the bed capacity of Henderson House domestic violence shelter:** From January through September 2012, **Henderson House** sheltered 55 women and 44 children for a total of 2,827 shelter nights.
- ✓ **Action Step 5, task 5 – Increase the bed capacity of Thugz Off Drugz:** Thugz off Drugz is now expanded and called Helping Hands Outreach. This task needs to be reevaluated.
- ✓ **Action Step 5, task 6 – Stabilize overnight shelters that currently exist, expand services:** In Winter 2011 through **C-WISH**, McMinnville inclement weather shelters were open 24 nights with 253 total lodgings with True Vine Christian Fellowship Church, Church on the Hill, Cooperative Ministries, and First Baptist participating. Newberg inclement weather shelters were open 5 nights with no individuals showing up so went to an on-call system with the Newberg Police Department. During the fall of 2011 the **Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP)** increased its capacity in their homeless shelters. The housing need for single homeless women was very evident throughout the operating year. Over 40% of YCAP's shelter waiting list was comprised of single women seeking shelter. And over half of those women experienced domestic violence. YCAP

received a small program grant from United Way to assist the shelter program with utility costs and consumable supplies. Because of this grant YCAP was able to increase their single person capacity from being able to serve three at any given time to being able to serve nine single individuals at any given time. **Yamhill County Gospel Rescue Mission (YCGRM)** served 87 men, 56 women and 28 children for a total of 171 individuals. Of this number, 22 individuals are Veterans. During the reporting period there were 165 one-time overnight stays.

#### Action Step 6: Review and Change Development Policies to Encourage Affordable Housing Development

- ✓ **Action Step 6, task 1 – Work with cities and county to change development codes to enable more affordable housing to be developed:** The **Newberg Affordable Housing Committee** worked to support adoption of multiple, extensive changes to the Newberg Development Code that will 1) lower housing construction costs; 2) a new batch annexation option that will allow multiple properties to come into the city under a single application, lowering overall development costs; and 3) creation of a new zone specifically for manufactured housing.
- ✓ **Action Step 6, task 2 – Encourage the Cities and private developers to donate surplus land for affordable/special needs housing:** There is no update for this task during this reporting period.
- ✓ **Action Step 6, task 3 – Advocate at the state and federal levels for increased investment in affordable housing programs:** All members of the Ten Year Plan Governing Council advocate at the state and federal levels whenever possible for increased investment in affordable housing programs.

#### Action Step 7: Prevent Homelessness Before it Starts

- ✓ **Action Step 7, task 1 – Establish a rental assistance fund for deposits, first/last month's rent or to prevent evictions:** During this reporting period, the **Community Compassion Fund (CCF)** assisted with 95 rental payments to avoid eviction, 9 deposit payments, and 113 utility payments. They also assisted 16 individuals with medical needs as well as provided 64 monthly bus passes and 81 daily bus passes. The **Give a Little Foundation** also assisted with security deposits and rental payments. **St. Vincent DePaul** assisted with rent for families who had an eviction notice. The **Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP)** assisted 177 families with rental assistance totaling \$209,217. 49 families received assistance with security deposits.
- ✓ **Action Step 7, task 2 – Cultivate private landlords to rent to homeless and low-income individuals and families that are case managed. In conjunction with Ready-To-Rent© classes, establish fund for damages, recruit new owners, create list of landlords willing to work with local social service agencies:** In April 2011 the **Housing Authority of Yamhill County** began offering Ready-to-Rent© classes. In conjunction with these classes, the Housing Authority has a contract with Oregon Housing and Community Services to access rent guarantee funds

for damages. Since inception, the Housing Authority of Yamhill County has graduated 65 clients from the Ready-to-Rent© series of classes and has enrolled 4 landlords in the Rent Guarantee program. **Provoking Hope** can help clients fill out rental applications and write explanation letters to landlord.

- ✓ **Action Step 7, task 3 – Create additional strategies for rapid re-housing of persons experiencing temporary homelessness:** In 2012 Congress enacted the HEARTH (Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing) Act. The HEARTH Act has a couple of main objectives. One objective is to end chronic homelessness by rehousing people who enter homelessness within 30 days. Another objective is to prevent households from entering homelessness. **Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP)** received HPRP (Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program) funding as part of this act. Yamhill County was the first of all the rural counties in Oregon to spend our homeless prevention and rapid rehousing funds. Because of this, YCAP was one of the very few agencies selected to receive additional funding in June 2012. Since July 2011, 14 households comprised of 21 adults and 26 children received HPRP assistance. In addition, in January 2012 the Emergency Shelter Grant was changed to the Emergency Solutions Grant. In the past, YCAP has used this grant to support shelter costs. However, to comply with HUD and the national ending homelessness objectives, YCAP is using this grant under the “housing first” model. Beginning in August 2012, YCAP will use the funds to prevent homelessness and to provide short term assistance for homeless persons by getting them into housing rapidly.
- ✓ **Action Step 7, task 4 – Promote and develop education programs for private landlords and tenants:** The **Housing Authority of Yamhill County (HAYC)** has developed a curriculum for education of landlords and started offering quarterly landlord education classes in November 2011. Classes have continued on a quarterly basis throughout the reporting period. Other classes provided by HAYC including Financial Literacy and ABC’s of Homebuying are open to the general public.
- ✓ **Action Step 7, task 5 – Open up Relational Ministry to provide homeless individuals with a 1 on 1 mentor as well as classes on money management and successful living:** **Love INC** has opened up a Relational Ministry to provide homeless individuals with a 1 on 1 mentor as well as classes on money management and successful living. New opportunities to pair individuals with mentor are offered every quarter: March, June, September and December.
- ✓ **Action Step 7, task 6 – Implement Strategies for Runaway and Homeless Youth up to age 24:** The **Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP)** sheltered 17 youth, ages 11-17, from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 through the Safe Shelter program. YCAP identified 97 Runaway and Homeless youth (unaccompanied) age 11-21 that were provided services other than shelter. In the **Chehalem Youth & Family Services (CYFS)** Residential Treatment program, 72% of youth in existing care were able to move into less restrictive homes.

Youth in the Residential Treatment program through CYFS averaged 98% school attendance.

#### Action Step 8: Expand Economic Opportunities

- ✓ **Action Step 8, task 1 – Address stigma of criminal background and spotty employment history with employers. Engage employers to open doors for chronically homeless people in exchange for service support:** Yamhill County Community Corrections (YCCC) has a program called Ready to Work that is held in their Day Management Center. One staff member meets with correctional clients daily to provide the skill building and structure often needed for job search. She works in direct partnership with WorkSource Oregon, referring clients to skill building workshops as well as directly to employers who are hiring.
- ✓ **Action Step 8, task 2 – Connect people to job training and placement programs:** Hope on the Hill provides EDGE classes. EDGE is a free jobs skills program available to the community that teaches individuals how to create a resume, cover letter and interview with confidence. Hope on the Hill also provides an adult literacy program. The adult literacy program is free and helps people increase their reading and math skills to succeed in life. It is the goal to help students complete their GED and also increase their employable skills. WorkSource Oregon has a variety of job training and placement programs available to assist individuals.
- ✓ **Action Step 8, task 3 – Provide job opportunities to individuals that are homeless by connecting them to Love Links:** Love INC provides job opportunities to individuals that are homeless by connecting them to Love Links.
- ✓ **Action Step 8, task 4 – Expand access to affordable health care:** During the reporting period 342 more Yamhill County children were enrolled in the Healthy Kids Program for a total as of August 31, 2012 of 10,645 Yamhill County children enrolled in the program.
- ✓ **Action Step 8, task 5 – Advocate for establishing education/training financial support for youth exiting foster care i.e. specific scholarship funding at Chemeketa targeting youth aging out of foster care:** During the period of July1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, the Chehalem Youth & Family Services (CYFS) Yamhill Youth Opportunity Program (YOOP!) served 226 youth through its program. 116 have earned a GED, High School Diploma or a Professional/Industry Certificate and 140 now have employment experience. Provoking Hope is working to establish a youth advocate outreach program and advocates for the program.
- ✓ **Action Step 8, task 6 – Expand access to affordable childcare:** There is no update for this task during this reporting period.

### Action Step 9: Improve and Better Assess Homelessness and Housing Data

- ✓ **Action Step 9, task 1 – Fully implement Service Point system to track homeless individuals:** In January 2012, the **Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP)** had fully implemented the state-wide Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), Service Point. Service Point is a web-based system used to input and track data for shelter, emergency assistance, Pedal Power bicycle program, rental assistance programs and the Homeless Count. YCAP is currently following recommendations from HUD and strategizing ways to engage community partners to utilize Service Point.
- ✓ **Action Step 9, task 2: Linfield College** developed a countywide Housing Needs Assessment. The data collection for the needs assessment is complete. Linfield has completed a draft report of the qualitative needs assessment data analysis survey and some from interviews conducted at the Community Connect Event last spring.

### Action Step 10: Promote Housing and Homelessness Education

- ✓ **Action Step 10, task 1 – Market existing housing programs and services:** All housing organizations participating in the plan actively market existing housing programs and services as well as making referrals to other housing support agencies.
- ✓ **Action Step 10, task 2 – Provide ongoing community education on housing and homeless issues:** Press releases on ongoing events are made available to the local papers. Marketing of progress through the plan will continue.

### Additional tasks:

- ✓ **Hope on the Hill** partners with Operation Backpack each year to provide 750 kids with backpacks and school supplies.
- ✓ **YCAP** assisted in 59 low-income homes getting weatherized and with 2463 families receiving assistance paying energy bills in the total amount of \$786,036.
- ✓ **YCAP** has partnered with Waste Management and a local volunteer to create a new bicycle co-op called Pedal Power Partnership. This program salvages bicycles from the landfill. The bikes are fixed and cleaned by volunteers and then distributed to children and adults in the community with a need for a bicycle. This program reduces landfill waste while promoting healthier living and a means of transportation for homeless and low-income community members. Since March of 2012 volunteers have distributed 263 bicycles.
- ✓ **YCAP's** new facility broke ground in March of 2011. After many combined efforts and a supportive community, they were able to open their doors to the public just six months later. YCAP now has adequate facilities to have confidential meeting rooms for their homeless and low-income clients. The new building has

**a demonstration kitchen for nutrition education and a fully equipped conference room that is used by many non-profits. The Food Bank has increased their capacity and distribution. The new building allows YCAP the opportunity to be innovative and expand their services.**

### **2013 Goals**

Some of the main goals for 2013 include the following:

- Complete County-wide Homeless Count in January 2013.
- Hold Community Connect Event in 2013.
- Establish Daytime Service Center/Resource space that will provide immediate access to social services, housing placement assistance, lockers, showers and other basic service needs. Include access to rental assistance, resource information, transportation, phones and provide a place for clients to use as a mailing address/mail access.
- Address the lack of night time restrooms in the community for the homeless population.
- Increase the number of community dinner meals to 5 nights a week in Newberg by February 2013.
- Begin construction on multi-family affordable housing development on Meridian Street in Newberg.
- Begin construction on 3 homes in Aspire Community Development in Spring 2013.
- Work with Helping Hands, Henderson House, Yamhill County Gospel Rescue Mission and Newberg Community Shelter to assess existing capacity and determine ability/desire to expand service.
- Continue to work with cities to change development codes to enable more affordable housing to be developed.
- Continue to advocate at the state and federal levels for increased investment in affordable housing programs.
- Continue to address stigma of criminal background and spotty employment history with employers. Engage employers to open doors for chronically homeless people in exchange for service support. Connect people to job training and placement programs.
- Continue ongoing community education on housing and homeless issues.

## **In Closing**

Our first four years of progress has been encouraging, but there is still much work to be done. If you have an interest or expertise, would like more information, or would like to become involved in these solutions please contact one of the organizations listed below.

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