

HOUSING STAKEHOLDER COALITION

October 24, 2017

Agenda:

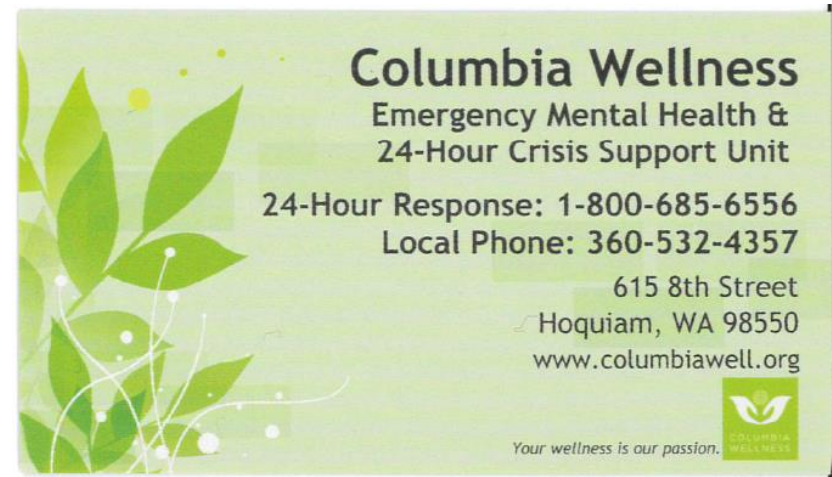
- Update from UGM on remodel/new services
- Update on High Intensity Behavioral Services newly available in Grays Harbor
- Funding review – what we thought we'd get, what we really got, and what we did about it.
- Another way to think about homeless/housing supply and demand – “slots”
- Committee updates

HIGH INTENSITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

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New High Intensity Behavioral Health Program: Mobile Crisis Outreach

- 2 Additional staff
- Proactively engage individuals with behavioral health crises to divert them from emergencies
- Services available for up to 14 days including:
 - crisis stabilization
 - warm handoff to services and supports
 - transportation
 - psychiatric evaluations with medication starts.
- Available 24/7
- Law Enforcement requests prioritized
- **Agency Providing the Service:** Columbia Wellness (Grays Harbor Crisis Clinic)
- **Eligibility:** Mobile Crisis is available to all persons in Grays Harbor, including incarcerated persons
- **Referral:** Phone: 1-800-685-6556



New High Intensity Behavioral Health Programs: F.A.C.T.

Flexible Assertive Community Treatment (F.A.C.T.)

- Community based services for up to 100 individuals with serious behavioral health conditions who are at risk for hospitalization or incarceration.
- Services are available to enrolled clients around the clock
- **Agency Providing the Service:**
Community Integrated Health Services
Phone: 1-855-303-4834
- **Eligibility:** Medicaid beneficiaries. Individuals with an income up to 220% of the Federal Poverty Level will be considered (on a case by case basis).
- **Referral:** Contact the FACT team
(1-855-303-4834)

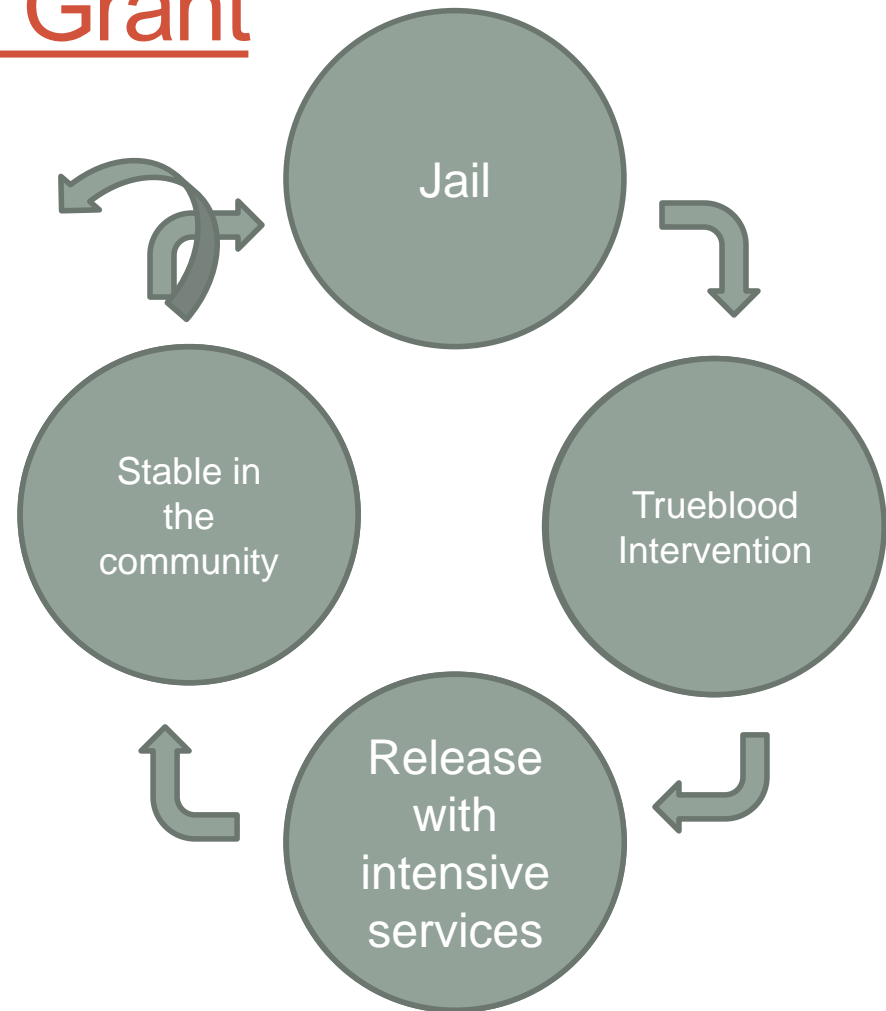
Assertive Community Treatment Teams (ACT)

- Specialized service delivery model
- Multi-disciplinary team
- Small case load
- On-going care, not time-limited
- Intensive outreach
- Focus on psychosocial rehabilitation
- Goal of community re-integration

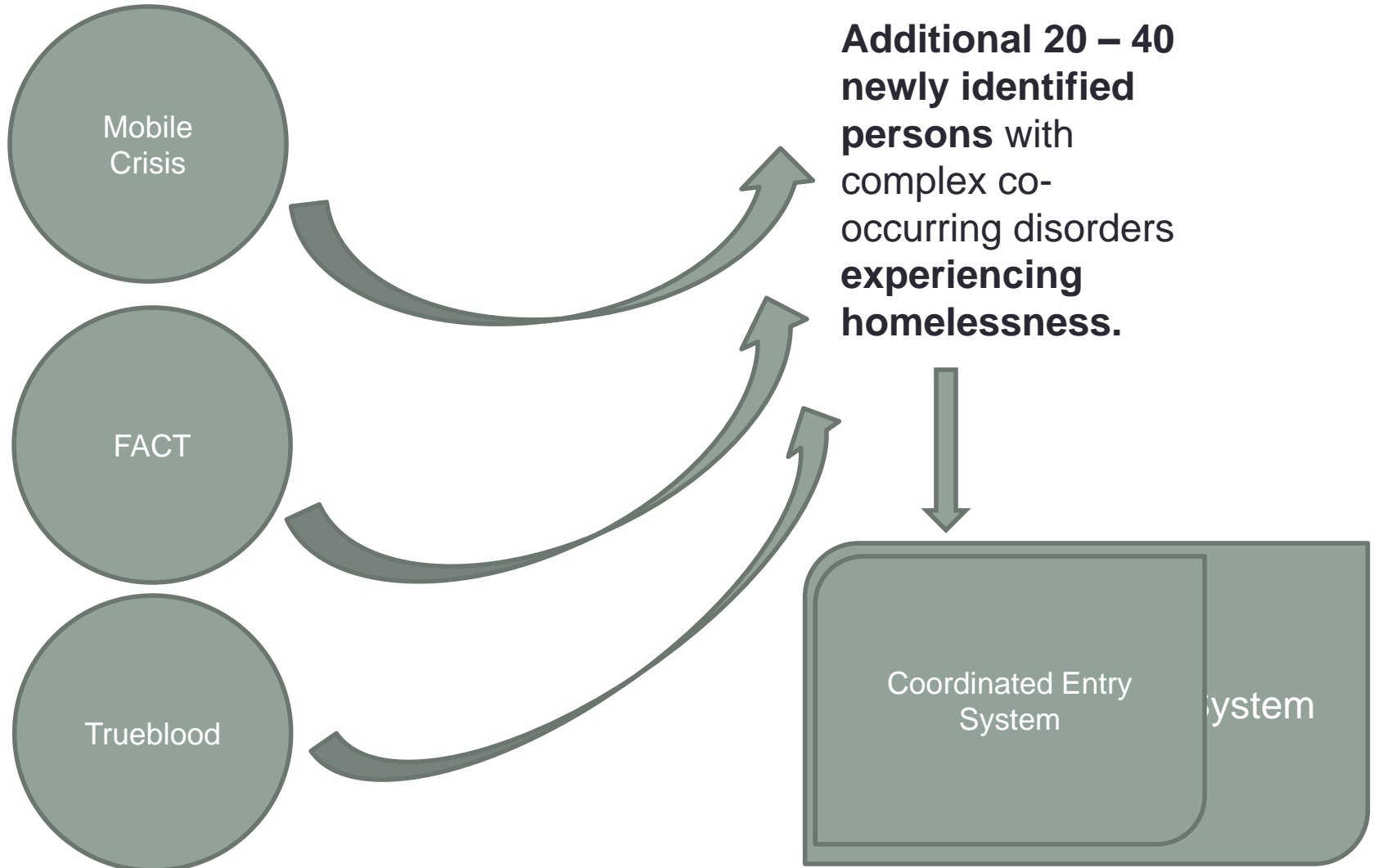
New High Intensity Behavioral Health Program: “Trueblood” Grant

Trueblood Grant Jail Diversion Program

- Collaboration between the BHO, Jails, Prosecutor’s Offices and Courts. Diverts persons in jail needing (or at risk for) competency restoration at Western State Hospital into community services. This program will serve up to 24 individuals from Grays Harbor.
- **Agency Providing the Service:** Community Integrated Health Services –
- **Eligibility:** Incarcerated individuals age 18 or older with a nexus between their behavioral health condition and their criminal offense. All jails are potentially able to make referrals.
- **Referral:** The County must identify a “Trueblood Coordinator.” This position is funded by the BHO. The Trueblood Coordinator will be responsible for developing a work system within the jails for getting the results of the initial screenings to the Trueblood team.



New high intensity behavioral health programs pinch point: homeless housing



CURRENT FUNDING REVIEW

Funding review

MAY: Sought applications based on Commerce projections

JUNE: HHSAB made recommendations to BOCC based on projections.

JULY: Actual funding released by Commerce substantially less than projected

CURRENT:
UGM got a one-time grant from reserves

County funded an emergency cold-weather shelter

DVC contract in place.

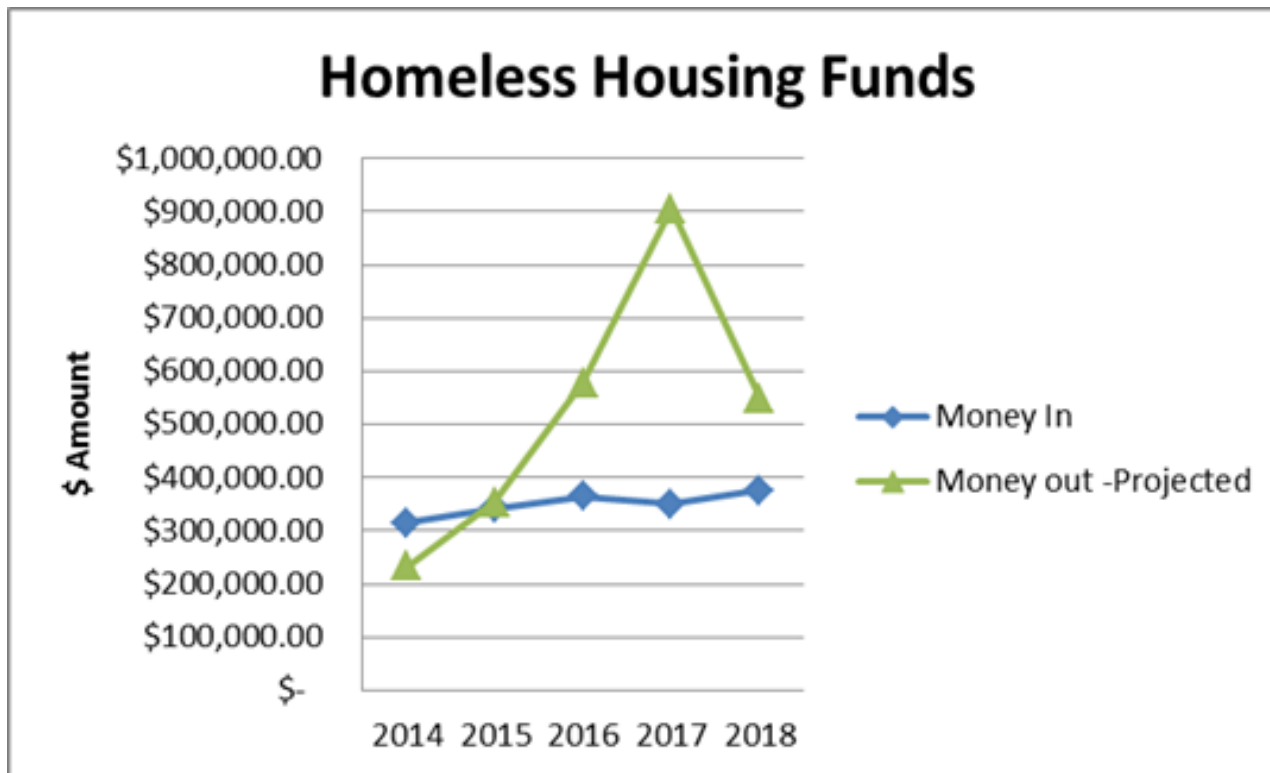
CCAP contract in place with funding based on actual Commerce award

Painful reduction in funding to CCAP

- CCAP is the primary contractor for all types of homeless / housing funding
- County and CCAP had to work together to address funding difference between what we thought we'd get and what we actually got from Commerce
- County and CCAP worked together to minimize the impact of the reduced funding
- Added funding to 3 areas that would be seriously affected by potential reductions.

SUSTAINABILITY PLANNING

<u>Homeless Housing Reserve Beginning Balance</u>		
January 1 2016	\$	1,762,161.59
January 1 2017	\$	1,553,588.09
July 1 2017	\$	1,247,269.90
January 1 2018 Projected	\$	1,096,154.87



Cornerstone Commitments

- Invest in Evidence Based Practices
- Eliminate duplication wherever possible
- Data driven
- Sustainable
- Prioritize expenditures to maximize impact and minimize harm
- Collaborate with the community and allied partners effectively

New Timeline

- Goal: Clear picture of budget framework and what investments are needed and why by March 2018
- Workshops in January and February 2018
 - Performance benchmarks
 - Outcome data
 - Review in-depth funding trends – revenue, expenses, and impact on reserves
- Application and budget proposal process in Spring 2018 for contracts starting July 1, 2018
 - Updated sustainability framework
- Space for Housing Executive Committee input on funding prioritization

HOUSING RESOURCES: SUPPLY VS. DEMAND

Demand Snapshot: July – August 2017

	Number of Literally Homeless seeking services	Needed PSH	Needed RRH	Needed info/referral	Number enrolled in program
June	50	8	32	10	6
July	43	12	27	4	9
August	46	15	28	3	7
Total	139	35	87	17	22

Source: CCAP "VISPDAT" reporting

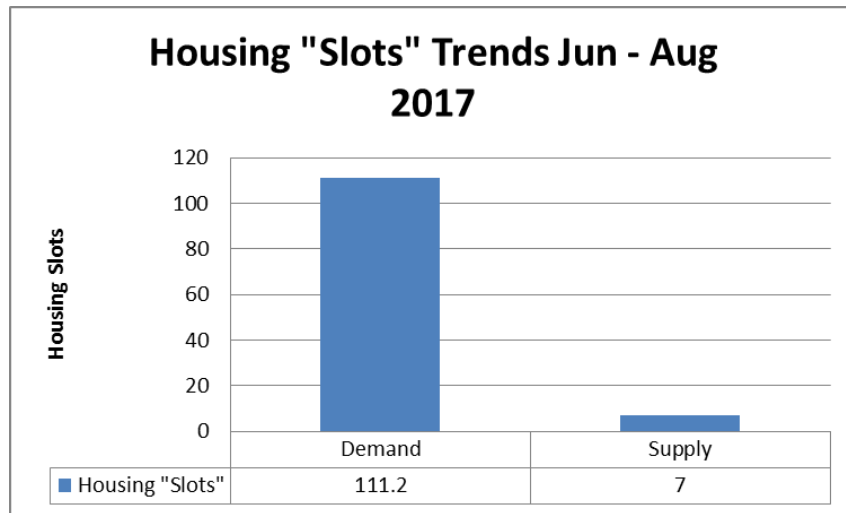
County Administered Resources Available for Housing Assistance

- **Document Recording Fees:** under State law, a portion of real estate document filing fees can be used to support homeless housing programs
- **Consolidated Homeless Grant:** funding from the Department of Commerce that can be used to support homeless housing programs serving persons who are extremely low-income, literally homeless or at-imminent risk of homelessness
- **Ending Family Homelessness:** funding from the Department of Commerce that can provide rental assistance and case management for homeless families enrolled in the State's TANF program
- **Housing and Essential Needs:** funding from the Department of Commerce that can provide rental assistance and case management for homeless individuals qualified as temporarily disabled by DSHS and enrolled in the HEN program

Housing Assistance Funding

Fund Type	Annual Amount	"Slots"	Formula	Notes
CHG Rent - low-income individuals	\$72,500	7	$72,500/12 \text{ months} = 6041.67$ $6041.67/\$800 = 7.5$	Initial investment may require double damage deposit - \$1,000 - \$1,200. Subsequent months may require full or partial rent payment
TANF - TANF enrolled	\$47,847	4	$47,847/12 \text{ months} = \$3,987.25$ $\$3,987.25/\$1,000 = 3.987$	TANF serves families who require larger unit size. Initial investment may require double damage deposit - \$1,500- \$1,800. Subsequent months may require full or partial rent payment
HEN - Assessed and eligible for "Housing and Essential Needs" disability benefit through DSHS	\$820,586	85	$820,586/12 \text{ months} = 68,382.17$ $68,382.17/\$800 = 85$	Initial investment may require double damage deposit - \$1,000 - \$1,200. Subsequent months may require full or partial rent payment
Total	\$940,933	96		

Supply and Demand Trends



- Approximately 80% of Coordinated Entry clients are not enrolled in HEN or TANF
- There are 7 “slots” available for Permanent Housing for homeless, low-income clients through CHG
- Data is not reflecting new high intensity programs coming online

Other Rent Assistance Resources

- Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- HARPS Subsidy

The reserves in savings and the revenue from current sources is not enough to address the needs in the community. What will the County do about that?

- We must work with the Coalition and homeless housing service providers to use available funding to address the most critical needs.
- We must ensure that any reductions that must occur do the minimum harm possible.
- We must identify and pursue additional resources
- The County must identify a minimum reserve level to access in the event of emergencies and sustain it.
- We must ensure our tools for tracking reserves, revenue and expenditures are accurate and up to date

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Other Updates

- McKinney Vento application submitted
 - Good position to be awarded HUD funds
 - 16 PSH subsidies and case coordination
- Washington Youth and Families Fund
 - Rent assistance and other tangible expenses for homeless families
 - Application due October 16
- VASH Vouchers
 - Assist Housing Authority to submit Letter of Interest for additional Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing vouchers/housing subsidies