

CoC Leadership Council

Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.



Meeting Agenda

1. Leadership Council Meeting Introduction

- Call to Order, Ginny Hensley
- Roll Call

2. Discussion & Approval of:

- June 2023 Minutes*
- 8.2023 - City Lights Foundation Letter of Support, Sarah Grounds

3. Lead Agency Updates

- Data Review, Olivia Denton Koopman
- NOFO Task Force Update, Nancy Curry or Claudia Brierre
- YHDP Update, Len Dittmeier
- Service Standards & Criminal Justice Task Force Updates, Jacob Beaumont
- Membership Process, Erin Velez

4. Meeting Topics

- Task Force Update, Mayor Bynum or Travis Hulse

5. Meeting Wrap-Up

- Public Comments
 - BeHeard Pop-Up Event
- Next LC Meeting – August 8, 2023
- Adjourn

**Items to be voted on by Leadership Council*

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LC Attendance

	Name	Representing	Category	Term
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mack Haltom, Chair	Tulsa Day Center	Provider Representative, Elected	10/2021 - 01/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mayor Bynum	City of Tulsa	Fixed Position, Appointed	09/2022 - 08/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	James Rea	Tulsa County	Fixed Position, Appointed	09/2022 - 11/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ginny Hensley	Tulsa Housing Authority	Fixed Position, Appointed	03/2022 - 02/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Claudia Brierre	INCOG	Fixed Position, Appointed	03/2022 - 02/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Greg Shinn	Mental Health Association OK	Provider Representative, Elected	03/2022 - 02/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Beth Svetlic	Youth Services of Tulsa	Provider Representative, Elected	04/2023 – 3/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	Benny Naifeh	Participant Advisory Group	Consumer Representative, Elected	12/2022-11/2023
<input type="checkbox"/>	Joshua Morrison	Youth Advisory Board	Consumer Representative, Elected	01/2023 - 12/2023
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lauren Sherry	QuikTrip Corporation	Business/Commerce Representative, Invited	04/2023 - 03/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	Elizabeth Hall	Burnstein Family Foundation	Funder Representative, Invited	04/2023 - 03/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	Crystal Hernandez	ODMHSAS	At-Large Representative, Invited	05/2022 - 04/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tim Newton	Tulsa Dream Center	At-Large Representative, Invited	04/2023 - 03/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Younis	Tulsa County Alternative Courts	At-Large Representative, Invited	04/2023 - 03/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	Richard Alexander	Tulsa Police Department	At-Large Representative, Invited	05/2022 - 04/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rhonda Clemons	Cherokee Nation	Tribal Representative, Appointed	05/2023 - 04/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thomasene Osborn	Muscogee Creek Nation	Tribal Representative, Appointed	05/2023 - 04/2025

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Member Agency Attendance

	Agency
<input type="checkbox"/>	BeHeard Movement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Block Builderz
<input type="checkbox"/>	City Lights Foundation
<input type="checkbox"/>	City of Tulsa – Grants Administration
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Service Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Counseling & Recovery Services of OK
<input type="checkbox"/>	Department of Veterans Affairs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Domestic Violence Intervention Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	Downtown Tulsa Partnership
<input type="checkbox"/>	Family & Children's Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	Family Promise of Tulsa County
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gatesway Foundation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grand Mental Health
<input type="checkbox"/>	Healing Houses of Recovery
<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing Solutions
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunger Free Oklahoma
<input type="checkbox"/>	INCOG
<input type="checkbox"/>	Iron Gate
<input type="checkbox"/>	Isaiah 58: In his Service
<input type="checkbox"/>	Just The Beginning Inc
<input type="checkbox"/>	JusticeLink
<input type="checkbox"/>	Legal Aid Services of OK
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lindsey House
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Health Association Oklahoma

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Morton Comprehensive Health Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	National Resource Center for Youth Svcs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Oklahoma Dept. of Human Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	ODMHSAS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pause4Paws
<input type="checkbox"/>	Restore Hope Ministries
<input type="checkbox"/>	Salvation Army Tulsa
<input type="checkbox"/>	Surayya Ann Foundation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Terence Crutcher Foundation
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Ark of Dreams
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Bail Project
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Merchant
<input type="checkbox"/>	TheSpring
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tulsa Area United Way
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tulsa CARES
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tulsa County Public Defenders
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tulsa County Social Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tulsa Day Center
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tulsa Housing Authority
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tulsa Police Department
<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteers of America
<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth Services of Tulsa
<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth Villages
<input type="checkbox"/>	Zarrow Family Foundations

Meeting Minutes

1. Leadership Council Meeting Introduction

- Mack Haltom called the meeting to order.
- Attendance is included after minutes.

2. Discussion & Approval of:

- May 2023 Minutes*
 - Mack Haltom called for a motion to approve April minutes. Josh Morrison moved to approve. Lauren Sherry seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 6.2023 CES Re-Prioritization* Ashley Gunnels and Burnita Smith
 - The Coordinated Entry System prioritization has been revised to fully exclude the VISPDAT.
 - Additional changes were made following analysis by the Participant Advisory Group, and HUD Technical Assistance.
 - Details about the changes are included in the presentation documents included in the minutes.
 - This will help us advocate for the populations that have less access to housing and services as opposed to groups that have services advertised to them and are more easily accessible.
 - Beth Svetlic clarified that the scores do not make anyone's situation more important. The CES scoring system will help prioritize groups/individuals with less access or availability to services.
 - CES prioritization helps us find the people in Tulsa who are the most vulnerable.
 - Mack Haltom called for a motion to approve the CES Re-prioritization. Josh Morrison moved to approve. Elizabeth Hall seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7.2023 Updated CES Form* - Oliva Denton Koopman
 - The Coordinated Entry Task Force proposed changes to a couple of forms.
 - On the Revised Coordinated Entry Systems Form Verification and Disability Status and Permanent Supportive Housing Referral Packet, it was proposed to update these forms with the AWH4T CoC letterhead and include revised legal disclosure of nontechnical terminology, and updates also to reflect HUD disability types in alignment with current data collection measures.

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- Mack Haltom called for a motion to approve the changes to these forms. Richard Alexander moved to approve. Josh Morrison seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- YHDP Ranking* Joshua Morrison
 - Selected projects
 - ◆ Youth Services of Tulsa was awarded 1,253,251
 - ◆ Tulsa Day Center was awarded 1,900,000
 - ◆ Black Queer Tulsa awarded \$480,000
 - ◆ Tulsa Dream Center awarded \$1,025,541
 - ◆ Tulsa Higher Education Consortium awarded \$720,000
 - The community wants to fund projects that lead to permanent housing, the presentation included after the minutes will give more details.
 - Mack Haltom and Beth Svetlic recused themselves from the conversation and vote due to a conflict of interest.
 - Vote: Yes, 9 / No, 0 / Abstain, 1. The by-name vote is included after minutes. Motion passed.
- Grand Mental Health Letter of Support –
 - Grand Mental Health asked AWH4T for a letter of support to become a CCBHC, which provide easy access to services offer, crisis services and an array of comprehensive of behavioral health and substance abuse services.
 - They want to increase the stabilization through the reduction of homelessness, criminal justice involvement, psychiatric hospitalization, use of the emergency departments, and improving housing retention.
 - Letter is included after minutes.
 - Thomasene Osborn, Crystal Hernandez, and Ben Naifeh recused themselves from the conversation and vote due to a conflict of interest.
 - Vote: Yes, 8 / No, 0 / Abstain, 1. The by-name vote is included after minutes. Motion passed.
- Family & Children’s Services Letter of Support –
 - F&CS asked AWH4T for a letter of support to become a CCBHC.
 - Certified as both a Community Mental Health Center (CMHC) and Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), the agency serves the greatest numbers of seriously mentally ill (SMI) adults in Oklahoma (25% of the State’s total SMI population).

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- The agency offers comprehensive mental health and addiction recovery services for adults and children experiencing a range of mental health challenges.
- Crystal Hernandez recused herself from the conversation and vote due to a conflict of interest.
- Vote: Yes, 8 / No, 0 / Abstain, 3. The by-name vote is included after minutes. Motion passed.

3. Lead Agency Updates

- NOFO Debrief, Nicole Johnson & Rhene Ritter
 - Tulsa scored 173 out of 200 points, only 15 points away from having the highest scores in the CoC
 - Areas of strength
 - a. Housing First philosophy
 - b. Strong outreach practices
 - c. Good responses to racial equity
 - d. Incorporating more lived experience in decision making activity
 - Areas to improve
 - a. System performance measures
 - b. Coordination with the public health agencies
 - c. Figure out why numbers are not changing,
 - The Domestic Violence area scored overall 84 out of 100
 - d. Needing more participation from lived experience

4. Meeting Topics

- THA Landlord Incentives – Deana Irving
 - THA presentation is included after minutes.
- Downtown Tulsa Partnership- Brain Kurtz
 - DTP is a member agency of A Way Home for Tulsa. [Click here for presentation.](#)
 - Their goals are to
 - ◆ Make sure downtown is clean, safe, and appealing
 - ◆ Foster a prosperous downtown through resources and investments
 - ◆ Activate downtown through programs and experiences
 - ◆ Enhance physical connections throughout downtown and neighboring neighborhoods
 - ◆ Champion downtown locally and throughout the region
 - Downtown Ambassadors

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- ◆ Team of 15 who work to provide cleaning, maintenance, beautification, safety, and hospitality services downtown 7 days/week
- ◆ For service
 - a. (918) 202-4093
 - b. [Downtowntulsa.com/service-request](https://downtowntulsa.com/service-request)
 - c. service@downtowntulsa.com
- ◆ Embedded outreach pilot will begin mid-August and will embed LCSW or LPC with Ambassador Team

5. Meeting Wrap-Up

- Public Comments
- Next Meeting is July 11, 2023
- Meeting adjourned

A WAY HOME FOR TULSA

Request for CoC Leadership Council Committee Agenda Item

1. Brief Description of Proposed Item:

City Lights Foundation is asking for a letter of support from the AWH4T Leadership Council to bring additional Permanent Supportive Housing units to Tulsa for our neighbors experiencing homelessness through the development of City Lights Village.

2. Date of Leadership Council Meeting:

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

3. Proposed Committee Resolution:

Approval of a letter of support for City Lights Village.

July 11, 2023

Sarah Grounds
Executive Director
The City Lights Foundation of Oklahoma
1018 W. 23rd St.
Tulsa, OK 74107

Dear Sarah,

Please accept this letter of support from A Way Home for Tulsa (AWH4T), Tulsa's City and County Continuum of Care, for the City Lights Foundation of Oklahoma's efforts and initiative to build and operate City Lights Village. We are in full support of the additional permanent supportive housing units and resources this will bring to our clients across the continuum of care and the positive impact within our city.

The City Lights Foundation of Oklahoma has been committed to providing resources, dignity, and care to our neighbors experiencing homelessness for the past 10 years. The Covid pandemic exemplified City Lights' ability to navigate and care for our homeless community. Meeting a critical need in Tulsa, City Lights successfully started and operated the City Lights Hotel that sheltered and provided resources for the medically vulnerable over a span of 23 months.

City Lights has been an active member of AWH4T, intentional in following the CoC's strategic plan and dedicated to making homelessness rare, brief, and nonrecurring. This effort will be further seen in City Lights Village, providing much needed PSH units and wrap-around services for those exiting chronic homelessness.

AWH4T, and partner organizations (listed) commit to continuing our collaborative work with City Lights Foundation to meet the needs of our houseless community members as we unite to bring our neighbors home and provide them with the resources needed to be successful in their transition.

Sincerely,

Mack Haltom
A Way Home for Tulsa Chair, 2023