

## Meeting Agenda

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### 1. Leadership Council Meeting Introduction

- Welcome & Call to Order, Ginny Hensley
  - Announce & Welcome 2024 Vice-Chair
  - Announce & Welcome Provider Representative
- Roll Call, Erin Velez
  - Review & Discuss Vacancies

### 2. Discussion & Approval of:

- Approval of January 2024 Minutes\*
- A New Leaf Letter of Support\* - Maranda Figueroa

### 3. Lead Agency Updates

- HUD FY23 Awards, Becky Gligo
- CEO Search, Brian Kurtz
- Task Group Updates
  - Strategic Planning, Erin Velez
  - Communications, Ginny Hensley
- Coordinated Outreach, Chelsea Butler
- Data Report, Olivia Denton Koopman

### 4. Meeting Topics

- Debt Study & Legislative Updates, Katie Dilks
- Oklahoma Academy Town Hall Recommendations, Lynn Thompson
- Housing Strategy Update, Kian Kamas
- Task Force Updates, Travis Hulse

### 5. Meeting Wrap-Up

- Public Comments
- Next LC Meeting – March 12, 2024
- Adjourn

*\*Items to be voted on by Leadership Council*

## LC Attendance

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>James Rea</b>	Tulsa County	Fixed Position, Appointed	09/2022 - 11/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>			Provider Representative, Elected	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Claudia Brierre</b>	INCOG	Fixed Position, Appointed	03/2022 - 02/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Rhonda Clemons</b>	Cherokee Nation	Tribal Representative, Appointed	05/2023 - 04/2025
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Sarah Grounds</b>	City Lights Foundation	Provider Representative, Elected	01/2023 - 09/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Beth Svetlic</b>	Youth Services of Tulsa	Provider Representative, Elected	04/2023 – 3/2025
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Cari Monday or Tekyah Rande'y</b>	Youth Advisory Board	Consumer Representative, Elected	1/2024-12/2024
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Lauren Sherry</b>	QuikTrip Corporation	Business/Commerce Representative, Invited	04/2023 - 03/2025
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Jesse Guardiola</b>	Tulsa Area United Way	At-Large Representative, Invited	10/2023 - 09/2025
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Stephanie Horten</b>	JusticeLink	At-Large Representative, Invited	10/2023 - 09/2025
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Richard Alexander</b>	Tulsa Police Department	At-Large Representative, Invited	05/2022 - 04/2024

## Meeting Minutes

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### 1. Leadership Council Meeting Introduction

- Mack Haltom called the meeting to order and introduced Ginny Hensley as the 2024 Chair.
- AWH4T Members thanked Mack for his dedication and service to the continuum.
- Jacob Beaumont thanked Benny Neifeh for his time as the PAG Chair.
- Attendance is reflected after minutes.
- Ginny Hensley welcomed Lacreshia Jackson and Cari Monday to the Leadership Council.

### 2. Discussion & Approval of:

- Approval of December 2023 Minutes\*
  - Major Alexander requested the ROI be changed to Release of Information in the minutes.
  - Ginny Hensley called for a motion to approve the December minutes. Mack Haltom moved to approve. James Rea seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 1.2024 Change the Way You Give Policy/Procedure\* - Rhene Ritter/Erin Velez
  - Rhene Ritter reviewed the policy/procedure for the Change the Way You Give fund. The policy is included after the minutes.
  - Ginny Hensley called for a motion to approve the December minutes. James Rea moved to approve. Beth Svetlic seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- SSVF Letter of Support\* - Rachel Runfola
  - SSVF asked for a letter of support for a grant application. The draft letter was included in the meeting packet.
  - Ginny Hensley called for a motion to approve the December minutes. Claudia Brierre moved to approve. Cari Monday seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Gatesway Foundation Letter of Support\* - Gatesway Foundation Rep.
  - The Gatesway Foundation asked for a letter of support for a grant application. The draft letter was included in the meeting packet.
  - Ginny Hensley called for a motion to approve the December minutes. Elizabeth Hall moved to approve. Richard Alexander seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Approval of Strategic Planning Task Group\* - Becky Gligo
  - Becky Gligo asked for the creation of a Strategic Planning Task Group to help develop the next iteration of the strategic plan.
  - Ginny Hensley called for a motion to approve the December minutes. Mack Haltom moved to approve. James Rea seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### 3. Lead Agency Updates

- Catholic Charities and A New Leaf were welcomed as newly approved member agencies.
- 2024 Vice Chair Nominations
  - Erin Velez announced the nominations for the 2024 Vice Chair.
  - Erin will send the electronic ballot to leadership council members after the meeting.
- Provider Representative Seat
  - Erin Velez announced the nominations for vacant Provider Representative seat.
  - Erin will send the electronic ballot to other provider agencies following the meeting.
- Data Report, Olivia Denton Koopman
  - Data report is included after minutes.

### 4. Meeting Topics

- Housing Strategy Update, Kian Kamas
  - Kian Kamas was not available to give an update at the meeting.
  - Becky Gligo reported that the team is looking at a strategy for all different types of housing. That strategy will be released soon. AWH4T members are invited to a feedback session tomorrow.
- Task Force Updates, Travis Hulse
  - Travis Hulse was not available to give an update at the meeting.
  - Becky Gligo informed everyone that the RFP for the low-barrier shelter is now closed. There were two applicants and the city is evaluating those now. A formal award will likely be made in February. After that, a site will be selected with the group awarded the contract. This will be added to the February agenda.

### 5. Meeting Wrap-Up

- Public Comments
  - Kellie Wilson invited providers to a training event on 2/28 from 8:30-noon. Erin Velez will add the information to the AWH4T Training Calendar.
  - Jeff Jaynes gave a legislative update about HB2109.
  - Joshua Knowles gave an update about the deadline for the Zarrow Commemoration Fund.
  - Paul Schmidt introduced Zack Paschall from The Merchant's team.
- Next LC Meeting – February 13, 2024
- Meeting Adjourned

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## **A Way Home for Tulsa Member Fund Management Policy**

In partnership with the City of Tulsa's panhandling alternative campaign, Housing Solutions Tulsa established the A Way Home for Tulsa (AWH4T) Member Fund, a pool of discretionary funds restricted for distribution to AWH4T member organizations, in February 2022. To facilitate this system-wide initiative, Housing Solutions will accept and hold all donations made directly to the fund. These funds are restricted for costs, to directly benefit clients, which are not eligible for payment by the member organization's other funding sources.

The City of Tulsa will place signs that provide citizens with a text-to-give number to make donations through an online platform. Donations received through this platform are identified as "Change the Way You Give" campaign funds.

This policy outlines the fund maintenance requirements and distribution process, as approved by the AWH4T Leadership Council on 1/9/2024.

### Financial Management

All funds collected through this specific text-to-give number will be segregated by a third-party accounting firm in Housing Solutions' accounting system.

1. Housing Solutions established a text-to-give funding campaign in an online platform that receives the donations exclusively for the AWH4T dedicated funds. All funds received will be tracked separately in the system and then deposited into Housing Solutions bank account at scheduled intervals.
2. The accounting firm established a separate class in the accounting system named, *Change the Way You Give (Signs)*, and will reconcile the fund monthly.
3. Requests will be limited to up to \$1,000 per request, per organization once every 6 months for direct client assistance.
4. Housing Solutions' staff will provide quarterly updates during Leadership Council (LC) meetings for the most recently completed quarter and year-end including, but not limited to, income received, fund distribution amount and remaining balance.

### Distribution to Member Organizations

1. AWH4T members' approved staff person(s) will complete and submit the AWH4T Fund Distribution Request Form located on the Housing Solutions' website.
2. Housing Solutions' staff will review the application within two business days of submission to ensure:
  - a. Completeness.
  - b. The applicant organization meets the requirements to be considered an active member, as outlined in the AWH4T Charter.
  - c. The applicant has not received funds within the previous 6 months.
  - d. The funds requested are currently available and below the maximum threshold amount.

- e. The application includes documentation to substantiate the need. All client information must be redacted with the exception of the HMIS ID number.
- 3. The following actions will be taken based on the status of the application.
  - a. Approved: Housing Solutions' financial staff will award funds and process payment directly to the member organization based on specifications outlined on the application.
    - i. If more than one application is approved, and the fund balance is not enough to pay all requests, applications will be awarded funds on a first come, first serve basis.
    - ii. Funding distribution will depend on the fund balance, time and date application was submitted, and other relevant information obtained from the applicant.
  - b. Pending: HS staff may facilitate requests for additional information to ensure funds are spent for the purpose outlined herein.
  - c. Denied: HS will notify the applicant in writing that the application was denied and the reason for denial.

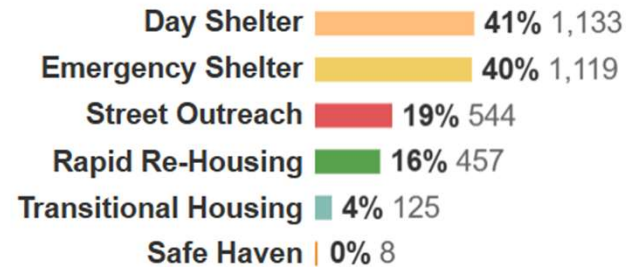
This policy is not meant to be all inclusive, but are meant to help Housing Solutions, as the lead agency for AWH4T and member organizations understand the general guidelines for the AWH4T Member Fund.



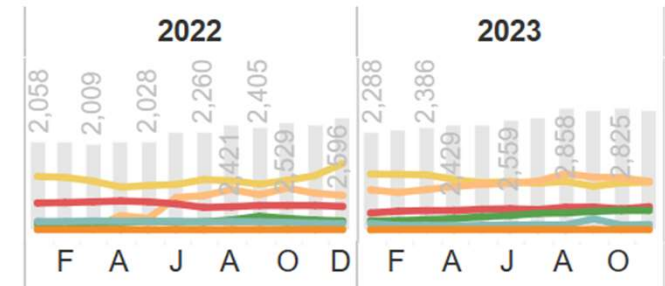
# A Way Home for Tulsa Data Dashboard

## Program type breakdown

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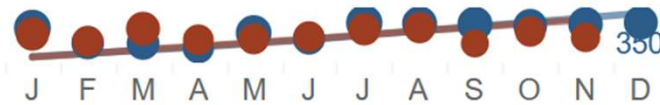


## Unique individuals served over time



## 280 individuals were new to our continuum

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 - Thursday, November 30, 2023



2022  
3,701

2023  
3,189

## 52 individuals were housed

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 - Thursday, November 30, 2023



2022  
908

2023  
594



# Housing Pathway Dashboard

**Before entering AWH4T, individuals experienced 3.4 month(s) of first-time homelessness**  
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 - Thursday, November 30, 2023

2022	2023
2.4 months	2.5 months

**Before securing permanent housing, individuals experienced 4.0 month(s) of homelessness**  
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 -

2022	2023
4.2 months	4.7 months

**Tulsa's 573 Permanent Supportive Housing units were 98% Occupied**  
on Thursday, November 30, 2023

Veterans Affairs - Tulsa(1..	100%	254/254
MHAOK Tul- MAP Auxiliar..	99%	230/232
Volunteers of America of ..	86%	44/51
Tulsa Day Center(3)	94%	34/36

**2,167 Clients on the By Name List**  
hover for definitions

Clients on By Name List	2,167
Rapid Re-Housing By Name List	1,385
Chronic By Name List	992
Family By Name List	482
Youth By Name List (Ages 17-24)	290
Veteran By Name List	138

**Rapid Re-Housing served 897 clients**

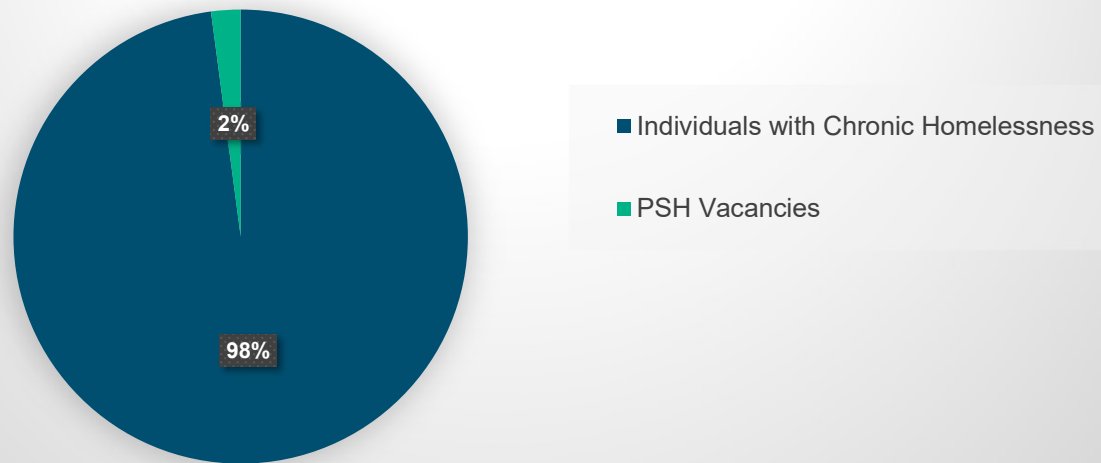
between Wednesday, November 1, 2023 and Thursday, November 30, 2023

CSC Supportive Services for Veterans Families(974..	782
Tulsa Day Center(3)	102
Youth Services of Tulsa Inc(340)	11
Tulsa Day Center Special(12488)	5

## Permanent Supportive Housing Need

- Permanent housing assistance with supportive services
- 11 PSH vacancies
- 992 individuals on Chronic By-Name List
- PSH Need: 981 beds

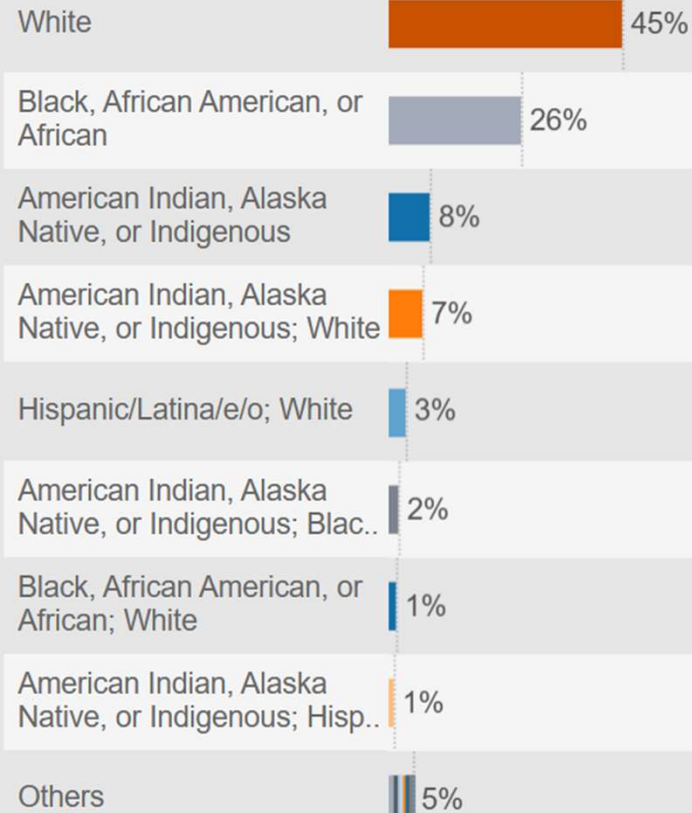
Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)



# Equity Data Dashboard

## Demographic Lens

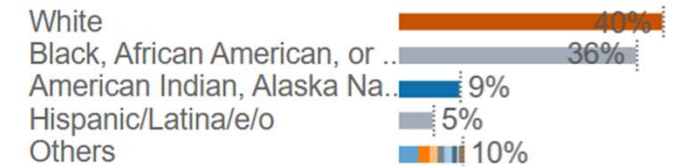
Race & Ethnicity



## First-Time Homelessness and Race & Ethnicity

9% among the homelessness services population

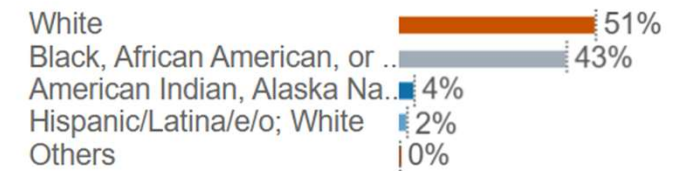
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 - Thursday, November 30, 2023



## Housing Placements and Race & Ethnicity

2% among the homelessness services population

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 - Thursday, November 30, 2023



February 13, 2024

RE: HUD Section 811 Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities; FR-6700-N-49

Review Committee:

It is the mission of the Tulsa City & County Continuum of Care, known as A Way Home for Tulsa (AWH4T), to prevent and end homelessness in the Tulsa County geographical area through partnerships among nonprofit organizations, private businesses, government entities, philanthropic individuals and organizations, the investment community, and citizens. AWH4T is a collective impact of over 30 voting organizations that exists to plan and implement strategies that support a system of outreach, engagement, assessment, prevention and evaluation for those experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness, within Tulsa City/County. A New Leaf became a member of AWH4T in 2023 to lend greater perspective for those who have disabilities, particularly developmental disabilities. These individuals are at great risk for homelessness due to their disability and the compounding barriers that result from the disability.

A New Leaf not only lends insight to this population, but they have also been a proactive partner in creating housing and services specifically designed to help people with disabilities overcome these barriers to live and work with maximum independence. Phase 1 of The Village was filled before construction was complete and they have now accumulated a waiting list of those needing housing and/or services of more than 400. This clearly demonstrates the need for which A New Leaf is working toward finding a solution. Phase 2, the project for which A New Leaf is seeking funding, is an actively in alignment with AWH4T and the CoC's strategy. A New Leaf is recognized as a leader in the nonprofit community and has a proven to be successful in serving people with disabilities. AWH4T recommends A New Leaf for consideration of funding from this funding opportunity.

With gratitude for your consideration,