

SHC Closed Caption, January 7, 2020

Whitney Wood

09:31:19 Whitney adds some info about helping her with amateur captioning skills

09:31:38 Asking people to help with words she misses or words she may not know what to spell into the hat

09:31:45 Barry - thank you for your valuable time

09:31:58 I'm Barry and our usual host said he is in a warm sunny undisclosed site this week

09:32:03 I hope I don't mess this up too much

09:32:20 The Homeless coalition is made up of 1100 individuals made up of so many different groups - you name it, we got it

09:32:25 Please mute your microphone

09:32:34 We are committed to serving the homeless, for 30 y3ars

09:32:44 Bob Peeler is one of the original founders

09:33:01 The meeting is being recorded, in a few days our elves with post it on the coalition website

09:33:18 If there is a topic you want to hear in future meetings, questions, comments, please put it in the chat

09:33:35 And I promise I will get to it I'm usually the person behind the scene reading the chat

09:33:44 I invite maureen to have reflective moment

09:33:54 This is usually done by our leader but Maureen will do it in his absence

09:34:05 We will cover year in review, I will put it on the screen

09:34:13 A couple pop up warming senters

09:34:24 How to get more church and other communities involved

09:34:32 Joe ader will give presentation about Family Promise

09:34:47 And at the end, we'll talk about what Robert does "tell us something good that's happening"

09:34:57 Put it later in the meeting so maybe people will be less shy

09:35:07 I am going to have cupid Alexander introduce himself

09:35:14 He is a new person in the city, head of a lot of stuff

09:35:20 He'll introduce himself later

09:35:29 I'll stop sharing my screen so we can see each other

09:35:36 And invite maureen smith to start reflection

09:35:41 Maurice

09:35:44 You're muted

09:35:47 Sorry about that

09:35:51 I'm a techno dweeb

09:35:59 A few weeks ago my lovely wife introduced a series

09:36:05 Called the chosen life on jesus

09:36:15 I usually avoid these, I'm a skeptic about poor production

09:36:29 And I was introduced to Dallas Jenkins who worked to succeed in the industry

09:36:44 I will put this quote in the chat as well as the video on his story

09:36:53 In a moment I went from <>

09:36:59 We learn more from failures than from successes

09:37:10 We spend more time thinking about why we failed than we succeeded

09:37:32 His wife shared some reflection about Jesus feeding 5000 people with 5 loaves of fish

09:37:52 Jenkin learned from this that it's not your job to feed 5000, it's your job to provide the loaves and fish

09:38:00 One of the lingering effects of the present pandemic

09:38:05 Is being overwhelmed by unending need

09:38:14 Whether its those in the street having nowhere to go

09:38:22 Or growing number of people in need of food

09:38:27 Who didn't have need before

09:38:34 What do we do in face of overwhelming need

09:38:38 Its not our job to feed 5000,

09:38:49 None of us has the ability to solve homelessness or hunger by ourselves

09:38:55 Or solve homelessness or hunger in spokane

09:39:05 Its to bring our unique talents and abilities to the table

09:39:17 Many of us are tired, on the verge of burnout

09:39:25 Some of you are on the verge of walking away

09:39:27 Please dont

09:39:37 We need your unique talents to bring loaves and fish to the table

09:39:44 This year you will bring something new

09:40:01 Passion and gifts will bring you to new places this year

09:40:16 Particularly our homeless community will appreciate your loaves and gifts

09:40:25 Someone gave away backpacks a few years ago

09:40:30 He didn't know where his loaves and fish would take him

09:40:48 And now he's raised 250000 dollars to buy hundreds of meals from restaurants for folks in the community

09:40:59 I had the harebrained idea to make documentary about homelessness

09:41:09 And two days later we found our documentary had been viewed 42000 times

09:41:21 Today is the day to bring your loaves and fish to the table, your passion and gifts,

09:41:34 Just remember its not your job to feed the 5000, just bring your loaves and fish

09:41:38 Thank you maurice

09:41:44 Okay we have, at least in my view,

09:41:51 A very special guest with passion and enthusiasm

09:41:53 Dr. Bob Luts

09:42:02 Who was the spokane regional health district

09:42:05 And is now with <>

09:42:18 If you are able, I know so many would love to see your face and hear your voice

09:42:33 Bob = I do appreciate your words

09:42:56 Its ironic that at the beginning of 2020 I made one of my goals as health officer to find my niche in this community that I know has been underrepresented

09:43:06 Not underserved by you all, but underrepresented in terms of their voice

09:43:17 I see taht Kaili is on the call, and I cannot speak highly enough of her

09:43:20 Just a minute

09:43:25 I was able to get Kaili brought on

09:43:31 And the role for her I saw just such great need

09:43:42 As I told her and hour counterpart Kira

09:43:46 I call them K2

09:43:54 K2 is known as one of the most difficult climbs in the world

09:44:07 They climbed incredible peaks to make things happen

09:44:17 Prevented so many deaths from Hep C back when the outbreak was happening

09:44:25 So I find no irony that the day before I was terminated

09:44:30 I received an award

09:44:44 I was at Gonzaga with Kira and Kaili, speaking with health nurse

09:44:51 They dropped me off and I received my termination papers

09:45:01 Working with the county now, I have more flexibility

09:45:05 My heart is always with the local level

09:45:15 Although I have a different title, I am always with you

09:45:27 New effort is starting a wound clinic down at the CAD clinic

09:45:40 I am looking forward to that, more info as it gets running in the next weeks

09:45:48 Community support has been so important for me (tearing up)

09:45:54 This is my new office, it's a basement office

09:45:58 Near washer and dryer

09:46:03 A little different than my prior office

09:46:11 Nice to know the washer and dryer are available

09:46:21 Sheet is hiding the ironing board, I didn't think anyone wanted to see it

09:46:35 Please see me as a resource, I still care deeply about the local community work

09:46:47 If you are gracious enough to put your email in the chat, people will want to reach out to you

09:46:49 Yay Dr. Bob

09:46:52 And Kaili

09:46:53 And Keri

09:46:57 You guys. Great work

09:47:03 I've got a packed agenda

09:47:06 Cupid Alexander

09:47:14 I know you are a high powered individual, and I want to give you a lot

09:47:21 In one of our meetings where you can just go at it

09:47:27 You are new to our city with an important position

09:47:34 Just give us a taste so we can look forward

09:47:43 Cupid - thank you the elevator speech

09:47:51 I am new to the city but not the area

09:47:59 I spent some time in Alaska

09:48:08 Worked for Portland housing bureau on homelessness

09:48:18 And then housing authority, welfare to work

09:48:26 I have masters in public development

09:48:35 Tons of work with housing and economic development, transportation

09:48:43 Policies around anti-displacement work

09:48:52 We did renter protection, mandatory relocation resources

09:49:10 If landlord raised rent over 9.9% they were required to pay relocation assistance

09:49:23 So much inclusionary housing work, you name it, in very tense situations

09:49:29 I look forward to doing this work

09:49:43 I was in charge of 95 housing associations in portland

09:49:49 Joint office of housing services

09:50:07 I needed change from Portland, saw this opportunity to come here, though this work is not new to me at all

09:50:19 Thank you cupid, I look forward to giving you a large time slot

09:50:27 Next the pop up warming centers

09:50:31 Start with the one on madison

09:50:38 Caleb if you could give us a minute or two

09:50:45 Your experience, how is it going what is happening?

09:50:49 Kaleb you can talk about it

09:50:51 Thank you Barry

09:50:58 Its been a wonderful experience for us a community

09:51:04 To engage with our neighbors in a new way

09:51:09 We are able to bring 30 people off the street

09:51:14 Be out of the inclement weather

09:51:20 Have peace and safety and stability

09:51:28 To have hope from what they were recently experiencing

09:51:41 For those who have engaged, we feel our personal values more fulfilled

09:51:52 When people have been able to serve, they get out of their own funks

09:52:11 When we give we are able to see a genuine love develop, not just feel like fixing something

09:52:19 We have seen Jewels helping hands

09:52:29 The more we can get people connected and in relationship with people

09:52:36 We see more love come out of people that transform them

09:52:49 They see people so differently, people they prior didn't think they wanted to be connected with

09:52:58 Want to transform culture, Have a different perspective

09:53:04 Jewels has brought so much to our church

09:53:11 To reconnect people from what they say they believe

09:53:14 To really living those values

09:53:19 Make friends with people they wouldn't have met

09:53:26 That creates a community well past the shelters time

09:53:36 If you can, finding an intentional way to serve and be in relationship

09:53:41 It serves our community and me

09:53:54 I went home after hearing someones story and wept like a baby for 30 minutes

09:54:06 The way the Julie and Maurice have come in and been available

09:54:16 Lead 95% of the work, give us the opportunity to serve

09:54:32 Engaging in this type of work is not just immediate service, it builds community

09:54:36 Janet are you on?

09:54:43 Janet - hi I'm here

09:54:57 You fit in perfect with Maurice's reflection and Kaleb's thoughts on getting involved

09:55:04 She volunteers with Jewels and new hope resource center

09:55:15 She and new hope were instrumental to get Kaleb's city church shelter going

09:55:38 Janet could you tell us about your involvement in this project, you buy nothing group, to get people to give their 1200 stimulus checks

09:55:44 It doesn't have to be someone else, it can be us

09:55:51 Janet - I grew up quite poor

09:55:55 So I have a sense that need is out there

09:56:02 So if I have more than I need, I can't hold on to it

09:56:09 I have worked in admin structures for my whole life

09:56:17 In retirement I wanted to do service rather than admin

09:56:26 For over a decade I have been with <>

09:56:37 And through that I have become the Facebook administrator and other menial things I find pleasurable

09:56:47 And I have volunteered at least that long or as long as family promise

09:56:55 We were dinner hosts or made dinner

09:57:03 We would sleep over night in the church

09:57:07 That was the easiest job we enjoyed

09:57:12 And then jewels showed up

09:57:16 And I enjoy hands on work

09:57:26 All of my clothes except underwear are from thrift shops

09:57:31 So I am incredible at thrifting

09:57:40 Americans have so much they try to sell

09:57:53 So I found things thrifting for Jewels, especially when cannon street opened

09:58:01 Then I became aware of the buy nothing group in our area

09:58:08 These are neighbors helping neighbors by re-giving things

09:58:21 I have given away a TV monitor, a desk, those are the bigger items

09:58:26 And in return I am getting clothes

09:58:31 Particularly mens trousers, coats,

09:58:36 And all those are going to Jewels

09:58:40 And it seems small but

09:58:43 If everyone

09:58:50 I'm not young anymore I can't do what jewels does

09:58:58 But if everyone did this it would be amazing

09:59:10 Yesterday I found beautiful hiking boots and took them to jewels this morning

09:59:20 And two people have warm hiking boots this morning

09:59:24 Seems ridiculous but

09:59:32 I tell people what I am doing when I pick up their stuff

09:59:35 And it makes them feel good

09:59:46 My mother said if anyone is good enough for Jesus they are good enough for me

10:00:01 So we have a variety of people come stay with us

10:00:04 Some people call them hobos

10:00:11 Last year when the stimulus came out

10:00:14 I thought this is nice, free money

10:00:20 I decided free money could go elsewhere

10:00:23 I didn't need it

10:00:28 And got others to do the same things

10:00:36 Some of the money goes to Africa, where jewels also helps

10:00:44 And more stimulus money, and I said hurrah more to give away

10:00:53 We should reflect on what is ours, what is to give and share, and what is gods

10:00:55 Everything is gods

10:00:59 And I only want to take only what I need

10:01:02 Thank you Karen

10:01:05 Thank you for your loaves and fishes

10:01:09 Another loaves and fishes story

10:01:13 Another pop up warming center

10:01:17 Westminster church

10:01:19 Across from <>

10:01:29 A week or two ago we have sudden dump of snow

10:01:34 And suddenly people care about homeless

10:01:44 There was another record dump of snow in october

10:01:50 And people suddenly cared

10:02:00 And they and jewel opened a pop up shelter for one week

10:02:04 Karen what is your reflection on that



10:02:09 How did it go, would you recommend it

10:02:12 Karen - thank you

10:02:21 As berry said, Westminster became a pop up

10:02:26 After that unusually cold snap

10:02:34 Jewel posted the need for a pop up shelter

10:02:39 And I saw it and reached out to our leader

10:02:44 And she was supportvie

10:02:50 And we opened the shelter open by 6pm that night

10:02:53 Since first contact at 9am

10:03:01 A few years ago we had been a shelter for 4 months

10:03:13 But with the high school across the street and children's music groups

10:03:20 Practicing in the church each day

10:03:26 Parents felt unconfmortalbe

10:03:31 And we felt we could not be a shelter

10:03:44 But with covid 19 we had a unique opportunity to offer our building again as a short term shelter

10:03:52 It was open for about 30 people for 6 days and 6 nights

10:03:58 So jewels helping hands hosted the shelter

10:04:10 And Westminster's only needed to open doors and turn on lights and heat

10:04:16 Jewels did everything else, kept the peace

10:04:24 Clark raised money to cover utilities for the week

10:04:26 Nearly without a week

10:04:36 One concern was growing stacks of personal belongings

10:04:44 We considered it a safety and security concern

10:04:58 But over the week the congregation posted gratefulness for the shelter

10:05:05 The church pop up shelter is definitely possible

10:05:12 If you have an organization like Jewels to host it

10:05:27 But need to do groundwork on building, leadership, staff, renters, neighbors

10:05:31 So it's not a surprise to anyone

10:05:38 Understand the reason for doing it

10:05:49 It was a shot in the arm to find we could do something at this time

10:05:54 Julie I would like you to come on

10:05:58 Then we'll pass to Joe Ader

10:06:13 You operated the pop up shelters and the city sponsored shelter

10:06:25 I hope this inspires someone to take their passion to go out and do something

10:06:29 Julie tell us about your experience

10:06:34 Pop up warming centers were new thing to us

10:06:38 We have ran 6 now

10:06:43 Warming or cooling centers

10:06:49 Usually small, populations about 30

10:06:52 Is successful

10:07:00 The difference between city shelter and pop up

10:07:05 Is the size

10:07:15 Right now we have 30 people, we can determine their need, staff can interact

10:07:25 When you have shelter over 60 people, individuals get lost in the mix

10:07:33 The needs become needs of the whole not needs of the individual

10:07:41 For those small shelters we have been advocating for

10:07:49 We can address those issues that end the cycle of homelessness

10:07:54 Our goal is not to warehouse people

10:08:03 We want to address the problem that made this person homeless

10:08:11 And get them on the track to get the resources

10:08:17 That take them out of homelessness

10:08:23 Okay Joe Ader

10:08:27 I have a two min intro

10:08:30 Would you like me to do that

10:08:34 Either way Barry

10:08:36 Okay I want to do it

10:08:44 Okay Joe Ader exec director of Family Promise

10:08:53 He runs a family shelter in <>

10:09:01 Before I let him talk I want to talk about Karen

10:09:08 She would pass a homeless woman everyday on the way to work

10:09:16 One day she gave her a sandwich and wanted to move on

10:09:19 Didn't want to talk to her

10:09:24 But the woman wanted to say thank you and talk

10:09:28 So karen lingered

10:09:33 And the woman's story changed her

10:09:39 So she took her kids downtoan

10:09:43 And they would pass our sandwiches

10:09:49 After hearing more stories

10:10:00 She reached out to church communities because she wanted to help

10:10:08 And access the resources they had

10:10:15 She became the founder of Family Promise

10:10:20 That was 30 years ago in New Jersey

10:10:27 Now there are <> affiliates around the country

10:10:33 Because she gave a sandwich that day

10:10:37 Joe Ader tell us about family promise

10:10:43 I'm glad you did it that was excellent

10:10:48 We have been in spokane county since 1997

10:10:51 Have been here 23 yars

10:10:58 Using that innovative model,

10:11:03 Housing families in churches at night

10:11:11 And work with them in day shelters to get them resrouces

10:11:16 That was what we did until 2016

10:11:22 Then we mulitplied that in a substantial way

10:11:38 I'm going to share my screen to share what we are doing, what is homelessness, what is our projectiong

10:11:47 I see a bunch of our volunteers on the screen

10:11:54 Thank you for what you all do, and your congregations

10:12:00 I'm going to share my screen and we'll start here

10:12:05 Give a thumbs up if you can see logo

10:12:07 alright

10:12:15 And so when most people think of homelessness

10:12:19 They think of

10:12:26 What usually comes to mind is the single man on the street

10:12:30 Single man under the bridge

10:12:36 That's what they think, that's what's in the newspaper

10:12:47 That's what is debated about, in our mayoral campaign last year

10:12:51 What's not discussed is these guys

10:13:01 These kids and their families all stayed in our shelters and are now

10:13:04 In their own housing

10:13:12 Kids and families are not thought of

10:13:30 Every classroom has at least one kid who experienced homelessness

10:13:32 Last year

10:13:41 If you add their non-school aged siblings and parents

10:13:46 And this was before covid

10:13:50 Covid definitely added to this

10:13:55 That's a big number to not be thought about

10:14:11 At family promise our mission is to equip families and communities to end cycle for homelessness

10:14:16 It's not shelters but it's part of it

10:14:20 The first area is prevention

10:14:25 This is becoming more and more

10:14:29 Especially after March 31st

10:14:32 March

10:14:47 We were the first agency to develop prevention arm

10:14:58 To spend money to prevent eviction

10:15:03 We have spent less than 340\$

10:15:09 One time to keep people in housing

10:15:15 Always less to prevent than to intervene

10:15:22 The other way we prevent is we are a multigenerational shelter

10:15:27 We serve whole families

10:15:30 Including children

10:15:36 Who are most likely to become future street homeless

10:15:43 If we can support families while children are home

10:15:48 We can prevent future street homeless

10:15:58 Street homeless we see today is what we didn't do 20 years ago

10:16:08 The other we do is provide shelter for people who are experiencing homelessness

10:16:19 The first model is the church rotating model

10:16:26 Where we start with one church and rotate to another

10:16:32 Janet has been a part of that

10:16:37 Super successful but small

10:16:40 100 people a year

10:16:50 But 95% in the program exited to permanent housing

10:17:01 In 2016 homelessness got to a point where homelessness was undeniable

10:17:08 So we opened the emergency open door shelter

10:17:18 And the city projected we would see 15-20 per day

10:17:23 The first day we had 30 people

10:17:26 Next day 80 and

10:17:30 Within a couple months we had 100

10:17:38 And it became incredibly apparent that families are undercounted

10:17:44 Because it's not safe to have children downtown

10:17:48 On the street corner

10:17:55 So since they are not seen they are not thought of

10:18:08 Since 2016 there has not been at a time there has not been a family in the emergency shelter

10:18:13 We are changing our model a little bit

10:18:18 And Ill talk more why

10:18:21 The last area is preparation

10:18:28 We follow our families for 2 years

10:18:32 To help stabilitze them

10:18:35 Even after they leave shleters

10:18:41 Theres one factor in all of homelessness

10:18:45 Is a loss of community

10:18:52 No on to lean on

10:19:01 If you don't rebuild community they are one paycheck away

10:19:05 From becoming homeless again

10:19:19 Rebuild their community so we can stabilize them when they are in permanent hosuing

10:19:25 We really focus on getting people into housing

10:19:37 This chart shows how many people we moved to permanent housing since July 2016

10:19:41 Thats >200 families

10:19:49 The other "ES" is other shelters"

10:19:58 We are pretty darn good at getting minorities and POC into housing

10:20:12 Specifically the Marshallese community gets into housing at higher percentage

10:20:22 Ideally we would like to see the bars be equal

10:20:30 But we are working to get all people into housing

10:20:33 This is oliver

10:20:37 He was born in middle of november

10:20:44 When we had covid outbreak in shelter

10:20:49 Both his parents were covid positive

10:21:02 He is representative of our largest demographic

10:21:06 Infants under 1 year old

10:21:09 Over 100 babies

10:21:15 Its not the right envionrment

10:21:22 But it's the best worst solution we have in our community

10:21:29 This is one of the areas we want to work on

10:21:35 Is shelters for families with newborns

10:21:46 Homeless youth are more than 7x more likely to commit suicide

10:21:51 They are more likely to fail a grade

10:21:58 Be convicted of a crime as an adults

10:22:11 Helping homeless children would have significant impact on our community

10:22:21 And also their lifespan is 17.5 years shorter

10:22:34 So we can have a significant impact on lives and lifespans

10:22:49 Evictions were 1/40 in 2016

10:22:58 And in 2020 1/5 renters in spokane were late on rent

10:23:17 1/4 of renters with children are late on rent payments

10:23:23 They will be at risk of eviction in March

10:23:32 We are very nervous about what is coming down the pipe

10:23:46 And the impact of the pandemic has not been felt yet because we have been kicking the can down the road

10:23:54 And we will see dramatic impact in the years to come

10:24:03 Our parents who are working with young children are often young families

10:24:08 So they often have entry level jobs

10:24:14 That were most significantly impacted by covid

10:24:23 So we have seen a shift of who was in the shelter

10:24:36 Originally it was two-parent households and now it is single-parent household

10:24:45 Especially single-dads with young children

10:24:48 It makes sense

10:24:55 Schools are not in session, kids are home

10:25:06 You have to make a choice to go to work or stay home with kids

10:25:12 This is the model that family promise will be moving too

10:25:23 The initial location will be our emergency shelter

10:25:27 We will have a hub and spoke model

10:25:37 Still have families stay there and receive resources

10:25:47 And we'll have smaller shelters in neighborhood sites

10:25:54 Example was hartson house in Perry district

10:25:56 Since pandemic

10:26:03 3-4 families in that neighborhood

10:26:14 Have still seen 95% of families exit to permanent housing

10:26:28 And they fit into housing very well, no neighbors don't know they have a shelter next to htm

10:26:36 It doesn't have adverse effects on community

10:26:43 They just see mom pushing stroller to bus stops

10:26:53 As we are able to open church sites again

10:27:01 We will open neighborhood rotation sites

10:27:11 Hopefully get one in Cheney, airway heights, and <>

10:27:18 The two we are opening up for sure is the family respite

10:27:25 For families after exiting household

10:27:29 XXX

10:27:32 Surgery / hospital

10:27:35 And this other one

10:27:46 If you are connected to faith based organization with children spaces

10:27:58 We really want to open a pop up shelter for families with new borns

10:28:07 And we purchased the house next door to our mission housing

10:28:15 Will serve as overflow for two families

10:28:31 And the open door shelter will be renovated down stairs to increase capacity for next fall

10:28:35 A few minutes for questions

10:28:38 Okay sure

10:28:44 Do you want people to shout them out or in chat

10:28:54 John - how much space do you need for infant shelter

10:28:59 I need individual rooms

10:29:06 I was thinking a church with classroom space

10:29:09 Probably 5-8 rooms

10:29:18 Usually smaller families, usually younger families have newborns

10:29:23 Thinking 3 people in those rooms



10:29:32 And my contact information is in the chat

10:29:34 I would love to connect

10:29:45 Q: you said you follow up for 2 years

10:29:48 Correct

10:29:55 Q: do you connect with <> familyu

10:30:00 They became personal friends

10:30:03 They have their own house now

10:30:06 That is amazing,

10:30:10 Shoutout to that family

10:30:20 That's what can happen when people who host and stay make the time to make a contact

10:30:23 Its a real benefit

10:30:25 absolutely

10:30:32 Being here a while now we can see families transform

10:30:35 See their children

10:30:45 One of the children is now a nurse practitioner at PProvidence

10:30:56 Becky = how many families do you have to turn away numbers wise

10:30:59 Ah yes

10:31:07 Its difficult during covid, we have to isolate families before they enter

10:31:20 We have to turn people away now because we dont have space to isolate them

10:31:28 12 spots in shelter but quarantine spots were full

10:31:43 In total we turned away 200 people last month

10:31:52 Some are duplicates because they came twice

10:32:00 We do turn them away to catholic charities warming center

10:32:05 So grateful that we have them to send to

10:32:12 Sandra -

10:32:14 Hello!

10:32:27 I have a question, the family promise building used to be a grocery store with apartments

10:32:34 How many units do you have in the building for families

10:32:39 Great yes, there are 8 apartments

10:32:42 7 are rented

10:32:50 One is used for showers for guests in shelter

10:32:59 When we finish the lower level there will be another unit

10:33:04 4 are former clients

10:33:17 And 3 are tenants who were previous renters before purchsE

10:33:29 Is there a way to increase quarantine spots because that is a bottleneck

10:33:33 We would like more spots

10:33:46 When weather was warmer we had three camper trailers in parking lot

10:33:54 And three apartments loaned from naomi

10:33:55 And <>

10:34:02 But now we are down to just 3 locations for quarantine

10:34:06 We would love another 2-3 locations

10:34:18 Does someone on this zoom know aaparmtnets or hotel rooms

10:34:23 Eva- I have a qu3stions

10:34:27 I am with passages family support

10:34:34 Sorry I was walking my dog as I was listening

10:34:41 How do you get landlords to work with our clientel

10:34:46 I am really struggling with that

10:34:52 People turning away renters after they get an application

10:34:59 Any insight on that

10:35:02 Yeah its ground game

10:35:11 We have staff who call and build relationships with landlorsd

10:35:26 When we build rental assistance programs it gave us relationships with landlords

10:35:40 Landlords who have seen case managers help the families on their properties

10:35:46 They see another resource for help

10:35:53 But we do have a landlord liaison

10:35:59 Who also does section 8 vouchers

10:36:04 Its really a relationship game

10:36:07 Its the way it owrks

10:36:14 I would like to mindful of people's time

10:36:20 What I would like to do now

10:36:26 I think Joe will stay around

10:36:34 I would like to ask people to shout out good things

10:36:56 A hodgepodge - questions for Joe, good things, announcements, and networking

10:37:03 If you want to take off, take off,

10:37:08 If you have questions I will moderate

10:37:16 Seth - with spokane community court, we are back open

10:37:20 City hall Tuesdays at 9 am

10:37:31 Every <> at different community centers, 9am for all of those

10:37:36 Shoutout to sherry deberg

10:37:44 She was the real connection between new hope and Julie garcia

10:38:01 Which was helpful when so many people were being evicted from pig farm in new hope area

10:38:07 I dont know what sherry did but shout out to sherry

10:38:12 And thank you janet

10:38:18 Julie - sherry your'e awesom

10:38:23 She did do so much for warming center

10:38:29 I would like to give shoutout to Holli from sms

10:38:40 Nad the amazing amount of food she got out to this community during december

10:38:49 I know how hard that was but she got an amazing amount of food our

10:38:57 Thank you so much for being my strongest partner in that

10:39:10 Through collaboration of so many agencies, to create a coordinated

10:39:18 So many households of food insecure

10:39:21 Over 2000 households

10:39:25 Over 7000 individuals

10:39:47 We all know that that support we were able to provide met the need for people struggling at this time and we are also able to ensure people can pay basic builds

10:39:55 So we can ensure people can maintain safe standing in their hones

10:40:02 Glad we could pilot this program with wonderful partners

10:40:05 Look forward to future

10:40:15 Thank you holly, maybe put your contact info in chat

10:40:24 There may be people who are intersted

10:40:26 Joe sams

10:40:31 Yes I said this morning earlier

10:40:40 I want to give shoutout to <> for affordable housing round table

10:40:48 Very informative, confusing issue

10:40:52 Thank you for that

10:40:59 And I did send that out to coalition with link

10:41:04 Yesterday or day before

10:41:10 And we hope to have more in the future

10:41:20 And I learned a lot on how we got into this crisis and how we get our of it

10:41:25 Sandra then stephanie

10:41:37 Hello and I want to give shoutout to all of you

10:41:43 Ever since I heard of this coalition

10:41:50 It has been amazing to hear of the different services in spokane

10:41:58 For my D/deaf and hard of hearing clients

10:42:12 As a deaf advocate myself it has been very challenging to get access to the resources we need

10:42:19 Especially with everything that is going on

10:42:29 But this hear, every single one of you I give you kudos

10:42:48 My goal is to interact with each and every one of you to determine how we can support the D/deaf and HOH population better

10:43:04 Because my community is considered the hidden community because so many things are not captioned

10:43:10 So my shoutout to everyone of you

10:43:17 Stephanie then becky, Julie, sharon

10:43:27 Stephaoni - to rick clark and <> quarantine

10:43:34 Its' been great to watch and participate

10:43:38 To see people fed and altogether

10:43:49 No stigma because you don't know if people are there to support or just need a meal

10:43:56 Great way to support restaurants and

10:44:09 See kids show up where they get a fun meal where their families may not be able to take them

10:44:29 Also shout out to Amanda Roberts for her work with clients with mental health issue who really want to be employed

10:44:43 Some people have wondered if empty office buildings can be used for quarantine housing

10:44:47 Yes we have run into road blocks

10:44:50 Zoning roadblocks

10:45:06 In the valley we intended to put the infant shelter into the valley coalition partners building

10:45:10 But need zoning changed

10:45:20 It would have been a great location because so many of the kids come from the area

10:45:27 We were able to slip through with campers as emergency shelter

10:45:36 Maybe be able to use some fenced off properties

10:45:40 No body zones for shelter

10:45:53 With that in mind I learned after round table there are two empty spaces on Spokane plan commission

10:46:00 So if someone can advocate for homeless needs

10:46:07 They are still open and they haven't found someone who applies

10:46:12 Maybe someone in this group can peek through

10:46:21 Both Spokane and Spokjane valley are redoing zoning plans right now

10:46:25 12 month process

10:46:32 Betsy Wilkerson asked and they said it was a 5 year lag time

10:46:43 Planning commission is extremely important for long term change

10:46:46 Sharon your hadn't is up

10:46:50 Ah yes this is for everyone

10:47:04 When Rick Clark went on.. you know .. he did such a job with Spokane quarantine

10:47:09 When news stories started interviewing him

10:47:12 Boy the money just shot up

10:47:21 I don't think community really realizes all the shelters

10:47:25 Especially the family shelters

10:47:33 Is it a money or space issue

10:47:35 Many factors,

10:47:39 Money and space are both factors

10:47:49 And can you get through zoning to set up shelter

10:48:01 Churches, there's a way to get through zoning legally to set up pop ups

10:48:07 But there are a number of factors

10:48:15 For the infant shelter we are working on right now

10:48:20 Looking for a location

10:48:37 There was supposed to be a young adult shelter but we couldn't find location and zoning

10:48:44 Even though there was millions of dollars available

10:48:47 Follow up

10:49:01 Is there anyone from VOA who knows about young adult shelter who could offer update

10:49:08 No? I don't want anyone to talk off the cuff

10:49:13 Shari deberg

10:49:28 Does anyone fully understand the discrepancy in the available beds and shelters each day

10:49:37 Is there something this shelter could do to track it better

10:49:40 Julie garcia

10:49:47 Shelter availability is limited due to covid

10:49:50 Covid restrictions