IRON LOCAL HOMELESS COUNCIL

UNIQUE ISSUES, LOCAL GOALS/AREAS OF FOCUS

Chair: R. Scott Phillips CoChair: James Jetton Chair Designee: n/a



The Iron LHC was founded by members from multiple agencies and organizations servicing Iron, Kane, Beaver and Garfield Counties, representing homeless services, domestic violence providers, medical and mental health services, Southwest Utah Public Health, local faith-based groups, law enforcement and the Five County Association of Government. The current chair is Cedar City Councilmember R. Scott Phillips. The co-chair is James Jetton, Executive Director of Iron County Care and Share.

UNIQUE ISSUES

- The number one issue facing Iron County LHC is the severe lack of attainable, deeply affordable, and PSH
- Local providers (homeless, DV, and youth homeless) are struggling with grant awards that forcing us to scale back services
- Homelessness and DV providers are reporting increased service levels in FY24 with inadequate funding/resources to meet demand

LOCAL GOALS AND AREAS OF FOCUS

- Increase affordable housing in area
 - ICCS and CCS created a partnership to develop affordable housing units. We purchased one complex, and are developing another.
- Local orgs are trying to diversify funding, and working collaboratively to make current funding more effective.
 - Local orgs have had success with fundraisers and charitable contributions.
 - LHC is active in coordinating services/resources
- Implementation of Code Blue response plan
 - LHC has worked with City and County to prepare local Code Blue response and expand availability of beds during Code Blue

COC ALIGNMENT/INVOLVEMENT

ICLHC Co-Chair is part of the PIT, Data, and CE sub-committees; ICLHC chair represents ICLHC at the CoC level.