

WEBER-MORGAN LOCAL HOMELESS COUNCIL

UNIQUE ISSUES, LOCAL GOALS/AREAS OF FOCUS

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The WMLHC was established in 2009 under the Weber County Commission and has functioned as the homeless decision making body since that time. All homeless service providers participate in the WMLHC and the group is continually outreaching to service providers that touch the homeless system. In 2019, the WMLHC applied for funding and hired a consultant to complete the Community Assessment and Strategic Plan 2019: Improving the Homeless Response System in Weber County. This strategic plan allowed the WMLHC to set goals and work toward specific objectives. The Covid 19 pandemic stopped progress on the strategic plan. The WMLHC will begin working to update the strategic plan in the coming year, incorporating lessons learned from the pandemic.

UNIQUE ISSUES

- Lantern House serves as Northern Utah's only homeless shelter and Ogden City enforces a Good Landlord Program.
- Weber County has had a systems level agency that provided support to the WMLHC.
- Code Blue implementation

LOCAL GOALS AND AREAS OF FOCUS

- The WMLHC is focusing on the coordination and implementation of Code Blue.
 - The Community will be able to iron out this new legislation through thoughtful conversations.
- Focus on increasing accessible and affordable permanent housing opportunities for people experiencing homelessness.
 - Success will be measured by the total number of affordable housing units brought online in the upcoming year.
- Increase access to supportive services and case management for people experiencing and at risk of homelessness.
 - Success will be measured by the increase in case management hours provided to households experiencing homeless.

COC ALIGNMENT/INVOLVEMENT

Lauren, Executive Director of Lantern House, serves as the BoS CoC Chair, and WMLHC asks for BoS updates.

BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE