

LARIMER COUNTY | BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

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MINUTES

LARIMER COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY COUNCIL

Date: August 2, 2021
Time: 8:00-10:00am
Location: Zoom Webinar
Contact: Laurie Stolen, Behavioral Health Services Director
Ryan Barstow, Behavioral Health Business Operations Coordinator

Participants:

Marianne Dungan, Susan Gutowsky, Will Karspeck, Wendy Koenig, Lisa Kurth, Lisa Laake, Mary Maldonado, Clark McCoy, Chad Morris, Steve Olson, Commissioner Jody Shaddock-McNally, Barry Wilson

Grantee Virtual Site Visits:

Seth Forwood, Ellis Petrik, Shawn Keefer

Attendees:

Beth Sowder

BHS Staff:

Ryan Barstow, Jessica Plummer, Jennifer Wolfe-Kimbell

Absent:

Nick Christensen, Troy Hamman, Bill Stevens

CALL TO ORDER – 8:01 a.m.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1. Barry Wilson called the meeting to order and with no discussion needed, asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2021 meeting. Steve Olson made the motion, seconded by Wendy Koenig, the motion was approved unanimously.
2. Grantee Virtual Tours:

- a. Shawn Keefer from The Matthews House presented a virtual site visit by presenting a video of his agency's work, [available here](#). Shawn then answered Council member's questions.
- b. Seth Forwood and Ellis Petrik from Fort Collins Rescue Mission - Harvest Farm presented a virtual site visit by presenting an overview of their agency's work along with a video [available here](#). Seth then answered Council member's questions.

DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

1. Ryan Barstow gave a brief update on the BHS Impact Fund grant applications received for 2021. The application period closed on Friday 7/30/21 and 56 applications were received totaling \$4.7 million in grant dollar requests.
2. Ryan presented an overview of the evaluation process for grant applications this year. He explained applications will first be prescreened for completeness, then an initial review to assess alignment and capacity, a subject matter expert (SME) review for impact and context, and an executive review for final portfolio decisions. Once the process is complete recommendations will be presented to the BHPC and BoCC for review and approval.
3. Ryan explained the new agenda management system being implemented by Larimer County and demonstrated the new location for BHPC agendas, minutes, and meeting materials which can be found [here](#). Materials will still be sent out to members via email; however, the new location where they'll be published will replace the member portal on the BHS website that was used to post materials previously.

INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Commissioner Jody Shadduck-McNally thanked everyone for their attendance and said we should look into any opportunities we can to leverage funding for behavioral health, including federal funds that are becoming available. She also spoke about the communities in Larimer County recently impacted by flooding and how we need to keep the associated trauma and behavioral health impacts of those individuals at the forefront of our minds as we continue our work.

NEXT MEETING:

1. BHPC meeting - September, 13, 2021 in person @ 200 W. Oak St. Fort Collins, CO 80521 - Hearing Room 155

ADJOURN – 9:13 a.m.