



ECHO convened at the Clark County Public Service Center, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hearing Conference Room, also via WebEx Online.

## Clark County ECHO

(Ending Community Homelessness Organization)

Meeting Minutes – December 10, 2024.

**\*IMPORTANT NOTE\* PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE MICROPHONE WHEN MAKING A MOTION OR SECONDING A MOTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE MINUTES.**

ECHO Chair, Clark County Councilor, Sue Marshall, called the ECHO meeting to-order.

### Welcome and Introductions

Lead by Chair, Councilor Sue Marshall

- Approval of Minutes from November 12, 2024

**ACTION:** Moved by Steve Hogan to **APPROVE** minutes for November 12, 2024. Seconded by Victoria Ferrer Member. Diana Perez and Ty Stober Abstained/ motion passed.

- Review of Agenda.
  - No changes or amendments to the agenda.

### Report Back on Action Items

- *Potential state budget deficit impacts & advocacy opportunities*
  - Jordan Boege stated the Department of Commerce reached out and advised all their grantees to prepare for (up to) a 20% deduction in funding the next biennium.
  - Per Michael Torres service providers are working on those projected budgets reductions. This is to take effect July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027.
  - Jordan Boege will draft a letter/template for individual jurisdictions to be sent to the legislation opposing further cuts from the document recording fees, as well to draft a letter from ECHO as an organization.
- *Camas cold weather shelter update*
  - Steve Hogan stated that in looking for Cold Weather Shelters there are limited buildings, the best one is a Fire Department. By 2026 they could gain access to the Fire Department building section.
- *CAAB update*
  - Diana Perez the CAAB group has been going through Equity Training in preparation for the next funding cycles. At the last CAAB meeting there was a presentation from IMAPCT NW, discussed on what to plan for in January, equity training and CAAB code of conduct and bylaws, spoke about services provided, and success stories as well as some difficulties that are still being faced.

Q & A

### Severe Weather

- ECHO Membership
  - Council for the Homeless put together their Severe Cold Weather Response for Clark County.



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- [Severe Cold Weather Response for Clark County](#)
  - [CRESA Activation Levels/Severe Weather Thresholds](#)
  - The other task is the need for volunteers and the discussion of training the volunteers.
  - There has been a one-time funding on \$200,000 of general funds from Community Services.
- Q & A

**Self-Evaluation/Planning for 2025**

- ECHO Membership
  - [Ending Community Homelessness Organization \(ECHO\): 2024 Accomplishments & 2025 Planning](#)
    - Presentations for 2025:
      - Pretrial Services/District Court/Probation talk about services.
      - Community Court Services
      - Fire and Police Departments
      - Overview/Introduction of ECHO

Q & A

**City of Vancouver Homelessness Emergency Situation Report Overview**

- Presented by Jamie Spinelli, City of Vancouver
  - [Homelessness Emergency Response Update](#)

Q & A

**Takeaways, Recommendations, Next Steps, and Closing**

- Retreat to Start at 9:00 and end at 11:30

**NEXT MEETING**

- *January 14, 2025, 9:30am – 11:00AM*

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