



ALLIANCE FOR HOUSING

Strategic Planning, Funding and Advocacy Committee (SPFAC) Meeting Minutes 7.1.2024

Present: Leah McCall, Ashley Cuniberti, Julia Steinberg, Jenny Poma, Erinn Johnson, Max Glick, Kirsten Elliott

Strategic Plan & Funding

- HUD cash vs. voucher pilot
 - HUD pilot program that give program participants cash instead of HCV vouchers.
 - Group discussed and expressed interest in looking into joining the pilot program, if they are looking for new pilot sites.
 - We don't have HCV pulls at this time.
 - Jenny will send the info out to the group.

Advocacy and Public Awareness

- Prevention of income discrimination passed – however, arresting and fining homeless individuals for using survival items like blankets or pillows in public spaces has also passed.
 - Leaders of organizations in CoC can release a statement and meet with local officials to preemptively condemn these types of actions.
 - Leah will reach out to schedule a meeting with Dave Woodward, Dave Coulter, CHN, Lighthouse, and Oakland County
 - Link to info about the case: <https://johnsonvgrantspass.com>
 - Link to press release: [https://nlihc.org/news/nlihc-statement-supreme-court-ruling-city-grants-pass-oregon-v-johnson?utm_source=NLIHC+All+Subscribers&utm_campaign=16577bbfbb-NLIHC_scotus_06282024&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_e090383b5e-16577bbfbb-293433370&ct=t\(NLIHC_scotus_06282024\)](https://nlihc.org/news/nlihc-statement-supreme-court-ruling-city-grants-pass-oregon-v-johnson?utm_source=NLIHC+All+Subscribers&utm_campaign=16577bbfbb-NLIHC_scotus_06282024&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_e090383b5e-16577bbfbb-293433370&ct=t(NLIHC_scotus_06282024))
- MCAH's Legislative Liaison Program
 - Max attended the first meeting last week.
 - Representation from each CoC to facilitate advocacy communication from the local communities to the coalitions.
 - Max is interested in being the co-liaison and CHN may have another interested in being the co-liaison.
- One-pager follow ups
 - Holly & Audrey are working on the housing brief data document.
 - The Alliance advocacy document is a live document being updated and will be edited to include the criminalization of homelessness.

PR Portion

Next Meeting: August 5, 2024