

Columbia County Community Advisory Council (CAC) Summary

Monday, September 21, 2020, 3:30-4:45PM

AGENDA ITEMS:

Chair opened the meeting at 3:30PM- guest and members were welcomed; August minutes were approved.

Community Wellness Investment Funds (CWIF) Recipient: Columbia Pacific Food Bank

As of June 2020, Columbia Pacific Food Bank has distributed over 750 tons of food throughout Columbia County, this is an increase of 131 tons from prior years. They were averaging about 12 tons per week prior to COVID. When COVID hit they had a 65% increase on households accessing food. They received some grants from Columbia Pacific CCO and other foundations, they also received donations from private donors in the community. New building has been put on hold due to COVID this year. New vehicle that was purchased is refrigerated and it's on the road three to four days per week. Rainier Food Bank has a new director her name is Kelly Miller, she is very familiar with the members needs in the Rainier and Clatskanie areas.

Community Updates: Columbia Health Services is focusing on how to support schools and students with the changes and adaptations due to COVID.

Community Action Team continues to help families who have been impacted by COVID with rental energy and mortgage assistance. Head Star will be returning to mostly in-person based on parent feedback

Youth Era has received a grant through the Oregon Department of Education for the new drop-in center. They will be providing virtual peer support for youth. Virtual Kick-off info session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22, @ 5:00 PM. They will also be hosting a music trivia event for youth on Thursday, September 24th. to help community learn more about peer support and Youth Era.

CWIF Grant Application Update: CAC-Members reviewed all CWIF grant proposal, members voted the approval of the CWIF grants for the record. Notices will be given to those who didn't get funded as well as those who did.

Next meeting: Next meeting October 5, 2020, Potential topics include, Habitat for Humanity and Dual Diagnosis Anonymous of Oregon (DDA)

Meeting adjourned at 4:45.

Location: Virtual