



# Housing and Homeless Coalition of Beaver County

5/8/2025  
Meeting Agenda

## Welcome and Housekeeping

*The Housing & Homeless Coalition welcomes ideas, opinions, and knowledge from a broad spectrum of partners; thus meetings are open to the public and new members are always welcomed. Meetings take place the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at 1:30 pm. Email [ciabottonidina@gmail.com](mailto:ciabottonidina@gmail.com) for the meeting information and to provide input and feedback. Meetings are not permitted to be recorded.*

*Archived Coalition Meeting Minutes are available at <https://www.bchmis.info/>*

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## 1. Open Discussion

**Amy Jurich (The Salvation Army Harmony House)** Amy asked about the impact to Beaver County with the \$30 million cuts in HUD funding. Dina clarified that the cuts are only proposed at this time. She explained that the cuts are in the President's skinny budget which outlines his priorities for the upcoming federal budget. The first draft of the federal budget is expected by the end of this month. Dina stated that we will know more about any proposed cuts at that time. Dina stated this is a good time to reach out to your elected officials to let them know the impact of such deep cuts. Dina stated there are websites to determine who your elected officials are if you don't know and you can always reach out to her for assistance as well.

**Annie Dayich (Veteran's Association)** Reminded the group of the upcoming mental health awareness event at the YMCA in New Brighton on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. She also announced the information on the Shon Owens event will change and updates are to come within the next week. For any additional information please contact Annie.

**Nancy Greico (Red Cross)** Reported 1 fire, 2 adults were affected and 2 houses were damaged from the storms, 4 adults and 1 child were affected. Everyone who needed assistance has been connected. Nancy also reminded the group of the fire detector installation on May 31<sup>st</sup> in New Brighton. See attached flyer.

**Blanche Helbling (Fair Housing Law Center)** Introduced herself to the group. She stated that referrals can be made by calling the hotline or email at [fhlaw.org](mailto:fhlaw.org). Blanche can be reached via email at [blanche@summitlegal.org](mailto:blanche@summitlegal.org).

**Donald Walker III (Head Start/Private Industry Council)** Shared that they are having open interviews May 15<sup>th</sup>, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and May 29<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 1:30 pm for many open positions. He also shared a save the date for Head Start to celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> birthday at Brady's Run on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. For questions or additional information, you can reach Don via email at [dwalker@privateindustrycouncil.com](mailto:dwalker@privateindustrycouncil.com).





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**Dina Ciabattoni (CoC)** Shared subcommittee meeting updates and encouraged the programs to be involved with the upcoming meetings. She stated the group will look at the system performance measures on the program level for each CoC funded programs at the next meeting. Program identity will be hidden to the meeting members. But Dina and Shante' will pass their suggestions along to the programs. The next meeting will be on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at the Mental Health Association in Rochester.

**Ann Lewis (A Child's Place)** Announced that the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Anti-Human Trafficking Symposium will take place on June 25<sup>th</sup> at Sisters of St. Joseph with Shae Rhodes as the facilitator. This will be a day long training session and lunch will be provided. Continuing credits will be available for a small fee.

**Shante' Thompson (CoC Support Staff)** Shared that she attended the CYS Youth Advisory Board (YAB) meeting this week and was excited about the interaction with the youth. She stated that Rachel from CYS broke them into groups to work, and it was good to see the youth come together and discuss resources available throughout the county. She reminded the group we are still looking for CoC youth representatives and if anyone is interested to reach out to herself or Dina.

## 2. Agenda

### Gaps Analysis Survey & Strategic Plan

Dina Ciabattoni

Dina shared the Gaps Analysis survey link and gave attendees time to complete it during the meeting. Dina explained that information from the survey will be incorporated into the 3 year CoC Strategic Plan. She reminded the group that the Strategic Plan is used to guide planning efforts, and it is used in funding competitions to ensure funds are going to address critical needs. The current Strategic Plan is attached. If anyone has additional concerns, input, or information please share with Dina or Shante'.

### UPMC Community Health Choices

Jeremy Carter

Jeremy shared housing information available through UPMC. He stated that programs have been developed for dual eligible participants to live comfortably in the community. Some key services and benefits include medical coverage, long-term services and supports, pharmacy coverage, vision, dental, nutrition, and employment assistance. Jeremy shared those benefits of affordable housing made a difference in individuals healthcare. Some differences were the cost of health care systems lowered after people moved into affordable housing, primary care visits went up after moving in and emergency visits went down, residents reported access to care, and quality care improved after being housed. Integrated health services were a key driver of health care outcomes. UPMC offers a housing through Homeward program that is designed to move all constituents of the UPMC community further along the pathway to housing stability, financial security, and wellbeing. Homeward is investing upstream to expand the affordable housing supply. The program uses 3 distinct funding approaches to address homelessness, combat cost-burden, and promote wealth building. Jeremy shared that building outcomes are impressive when there is partnerships with the continuum of care and healthcare providers. UPMC has some CHC housing pilot projects such as home repair stabilization, medical legal

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partnership, housing preservation, and hoarding support. To utilize any of these services please call 269.569.6680. Jeremy stated that they do assist with home repairs and if they can't help they will point you in the right direction. He can be reached via email at [carterj13@upmc.edu](mailto:carterj13@upmc.edu). Mary Lou Harju of the United Way stated that homemaker can assist with home repairs and encouraged individuals to create a 211 profile to collect information on their needs to better assist. Barbara Grossman from Disability Options Network shared that they do have a home repair program, but the homes must be in an eligible area. Call 724.652.5144 option 2 for assistance. Someone also shared that Hosana House Industries in Rochester provide home repairs as well. Contact 724.770.0262 or email at [anyoed@gmail.com](mailto:anyoed@gmail.com) for more information.

## Bed Availability

Dina Ciabattoni

See attached. Dina shared we are aware that the systems are tight and there are a lot of zeros on the bed availability list. She stated that although longer wait times are occurring, we still encourage individuals to go through with coordinated entry. The programs review the CE waitlists at least monthly to consider other housing options for individuals facing long waits. Dina shared that the housing authority has vacancies at Eleanor Roosevelt and Ambridge Towers and Brightwood Manor has two 1 bedrooms and one 2 bedroom apartments available with the expectation of additional vacancies coming soon. The 811 program currently has no availability.

**The next meeting is scheduled for 6/12/25 at 1:30 pm**

## **SAVE THE DATES & OPPORTUNITIES**

**Beaver County Continuum of Care Gaps Analysis Survey** Please participate at your soonest convenience to help us identify areas for development. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CVMJPRH>

**5/17/25 Beaver County Bounces Back!** From 11 am – 2 pm at Brady's Run Park. Vendor space is still available. To register:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFgKrijth8hE4p1XkQ9Umc6RP1PaiiUarXYnmF\\_nzQ8IY8cg/viewform?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFgKrijth8hE4p1XkQ9Umc6RP1PaiiUarXYnmF_nzQ8IY8cg/viewform?usp=sharing)

**Free Covid Tests for Non-Profits:** <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=QSiOQSGb1U2bbEf8WpoB3ka6JW7jo-JAmyz3QeKVYRdUQUFZS1RBTjhLQkpBNuDMR0hXWjJUQTlINy4u&wdLOR=cAF58286A-BD4E-4039-8647-ED886363B6D2>

**For assistance with SNAP benefits,** contact Patricia Ferricks at: [pferricks@pittsburghfoodbank.org](mailto:pferricks@pittsburghfoodbank.org), cell: 724.549.8463, or visit at TCBC (600 6<sup>th</sup> Street Beaver Falls, PA)

**Updated Free Meal Schedule and Food Pantries can be found at:** [www.bchmis.info](http://www.bchmis.info)

**Information on NA meetings** throughout the county (both in person and online), visit: [beavervalleyna.org](http://beavervalleyna.org)

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# Homeless Coalition Meeting Sign In Sheet

## Zoom 5/8/25

|                     |                                                                                             |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Adam Loverich       | BCRC                                                                                        |
| Sylvia Jenkins      | WCBC                                                                                        |
| Holly Santa         | Community Development                                                                       |
| Becky Fife          | The Prevention Network                                                                      |
| Jeremy Carter       | UPMC Health Plan                                                                            |
| Mike Litte          | HACB                                                                                        |
| Amy Jurich          | The Salvation Army                                                                          |
| Harry Angelo        | HACB                                                                                        |
| Daina Vinciguerra   | BCBH                                                                                        |
| Cyndi Gilkey        | Neighborhood Legal Services                                                                 |
| Cynthia Brown       | ABC Associates                                                                              |
| Zabriawn Smith      | Housing Opps                                                                                |
| Matthew Stahoviak   | BCBH                                                                                        |
| Blanche Helbling    | Fair Housing Law Center                                                                     |
| Donald Walker III   | Private Industry Council of Head Start/Early Head Start of Beaver County.                   |
| Francie Booterbaugh | TCBC                                                                                        |
| Priscilla Vega      | Salvation Army                                                                              |
| Sinika Calloway     | Beaver County VA                                                                            |
| Casey Seevers       | CYS                                                                                         |
| Tammy Van Evera     | Stone Harbour                                                                               |
| Vicki Zanotti       | Rural Medical Case Manager for Beaver County at Allies for Health + Wellbeing in Pittsburgh |
| Alexa Mapstone      | Columbia Gas                                                                                |
| Ann Lewis           | A child's Place, Law Enforcement & Community liaison                                        |
| Barbara Grossman    | Disability Options Network Center for Independent Living                                    |
| Monique Anderson    | Harmony House (TSA) Case Manager                                                            |
| Nancy Grieco        | American Red Cross                                                                          |
| Rich Pirozzi        | Pittsburgh VA                                                                               |
| Shante' Thompson    | CoC Support Staff                                                                           |
| Dina Ciabattoni     | CoC Beaver County                                                                           |
| Melissa Grimes      | HACB                                                                                        |
| Jeannice Barrett    |                                                                                             |
| Mary Lou Harju      | United Way of Beaver County                                                                 |
| Cami Williams       | MHA                                                                                         |
| Eric Caplinger      | TCBC Shelter                                                                                |
| Annie Dayich        | VA                                                                                          |
| Taylor Balcer       |                                                                                             |
| Joyce Bendishaw     |                                                                                             |



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**BEAVER COUNTY HOUSING AVAILABILITY**

May 2025

**Housing Program      Type      Availability      Unit/Bed      Occupancy      Administrator**

|                      |              |                           |     |         |                   |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-----|---------|-------------------|
| Crescent Commons*    | Permanent    | 0                         | 24  | 100%    | Housing Authority |
| Friendship Homes*    | Permanent    | 0                         | 33  | 100%    | Salvation Army    |
| BC On-Call           | Emergency    | 1                         | 2   | 50%     | The Cornerstone   |
| CARL*                | Permanent    | 0                         | 41  | 100%    | Housing Authority |
| Stone Harbour*       | Transitional | 3                         | 12  | 75%     | CRS               |
| CRS Transitional     | Transitional | 0                         | 15  | 100%    | CRS               |
| Harmony House        | Emergency    | 0                         | 4   | 100%    | BCCYS/SA          |
| BCCYS Housing        | Emergency    | 0                         | 14  | 100%    | BCCYS             |
| Women's Center       | Emergency    | 0                         | 24  | 100%    | BC Women's Center |
| Women's Center       | Transitional | being used for quarantine | 10  | #VALUE! | BC Women's Center |
| SA Rapid Rehousing * | Permanent    | 0                         | N/A | N/A     | Salvation Army    |
| Safely Home*         | Permanent    | 2                         | 16  | 88%     | Housing Authority |
| Men's Shelter        | Emergency    | 3                         | 20  | 85%     | The Cornerstone   |

*\*Accessed through Coordinated Entry - See reverse side of chart for HUDs disability & homeless eligibility requirements.*

**Wait List Details**

**Subsidized or Section 8      Location      Bedroom Types**

|                     |              |                       |                        |                                                                        |
|---------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Brightwood Manor    | New Brighton | 2 - 1 BRs & 1 - 2 BR  | Taking applications    | A few more vacancies are expected soon.                                |
| Beaver Falls Plaza  | Beaver Falls |                       | Taking applications.   | Srs. 1 year; Disabled 1+ year. Purge annually                          |
| Scottswood Apts     | Hopewell     | 5 - 2BRs              | Available immediately  |                                                                        |
| Valley Terrace      | Aliquippa    | 2- 3 BRs              | Available immediately  |                                                                        |
| ValleyView          | New Brighton | No availability       | Taking Applications    | 2 BRs turnover faster - encourages submitting apps for 2 BR            |
| Spring Run          | Monaca       |                       | Taking Applications    | 2-6 year wait                                                          |
| Towne Tower         | Aliquippa    | 1 BRs units available | Available immediately  |                                                                        |
| Pinney Street Manor | Rochester    | Sr. 1 BRs             | Taking Applications    |                                                                        |
| Lenz Court          | Ambridge     | 1 & 2 BRs             | Vacancies (50/60% AMI) | Rent: \$855.00 – 50% and \$1,042.00 – 60% for 1 BRs; \$1,247 for 2 BRs |

**Housing Authority**

|                   |             |                 |                                            |
|-------------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Eleanor Roosevelt | Aliquippa   | 1 BRs available | Low income, senior citizens                |
| Sheffield Towers  | Aliquippa   | 1 BRs available | Low income, sr citizens or w/ a disability |
| 811 Program       | Koppel/Roch | No vacancies    |                                            |

**Coordinated Entry Waitlists**

**PSH: 7 (4)**  
**TH: 4 (7)**  
**RRH: 41 (30)** Includes all RRH prgms  
 ( ) indicates last month's count

Coordinated Entry's Phone Number: 724.846.6400

*The Housing Resources list is posted to:  
[www.bchmis.info](http://www.bchmis.info)*



## Description of Beaver County Supportive Housing Programs

**Community Assisted Residential Living (C.A.R.L.)** is a permanent supportive housing program for homeless households with a disability. It is a tenant based rental model administered by the Housing Authority of Beaver County. The Program focuses on households with the longest length of homelessness, homeless households with children, veterans, and victims of domestic violence. Individuals and families live in scattered sites. The program is not funded to provide case management services. Contact information: Mike Little at [mlittle@beavercountyhousing.org](mailto:mlittle@beavercountyhousing.org)

**Crescent Commons** is a permanent supportive housing program administered by the Housing Authority of Beaver County which provides housing vouchers to participants who are chronically homeless with disabilities and who have exhausted all other housing options. At full operational capacity the program should house approximately 31 people. Individuals and families live in scattered sites. The program is not funded to provide case management services. Contact information: Melissa Grimes at [mgrimes@beavercountyhousing.org](mailto:mgrimes@beavercountyhousing.org)

**Friendship Homes** is a 33 bed scattered permanent supportive housing program administered by the Salvation Army for both chronically homeless and non-chronically homeless individuals and families with disabilities. In addition to housing, the program is funded to provide moderate case management services. Contact information: Renee Sannan at [Renee.Sannan@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Renee.Sannan@use.salvationarmy.org)

**Stone Harbour** is a transitional supportive housing program administered by Cornerstone Recovery and Supports (CRS) which provides supportive housing for 12 chronically homeless individuals struggling with co-occurring disorders of mental illness and substance abuse, as well as those with legal histories. Individuals live in a single site in Freedom PA. The program is funded to provide on-site case management services. Contact information: Tammy Van Evera at [tvanevera@crscares.org](mailto:tvanevera@crscares.org)

**Salvation Army Rapid Re-Housing** is a medium term rapid re-housing program for homeless households who score for rapid re-housing through Coordinated Entry and who need longer term financial assistance (up to 2 years). Individual assessment will determine length of financial support and types of supportive services offered. Contact information: Renee Sannan at [Renee.Sannan@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Renee.Sannan@use.salvationarmy.org)

**Safely Home** is a medium term rapid re-housing program for homeless households fleeing DV situations. The Women's Center will also provide support to clients. Referrals come from CE and are verified by the Women's Center. Contact information: Melissa Grimes at [mgrimes@beavercountyhousing.org](mailto:mgrimes@beavercountyhousing.org)

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### 811 Program (not a McKinney Vento program)

A subsidized housing program for disabled adults (age 18-61) who are either in an institution or at risk of institutionalization and who are able to reside in the community with supports. Criteria include:

- Disabled and Medicaid eligible. Also eligible for long-term services and supports
- Income at or below 30% AMI
- Eligible for the Housing Authority

Questions and/or applications can be directed to Lisa Conway at [LConway@beavercountyhousing.org](mailto:LConway@beavercountyhousing.org)



Dear Valued Vendor/Employer,

Please accept this invitation from PA CareerLink®, Community College of Beaver County, and Domestic Relations to participate in our upcoming **Re-Entry Summit on Thursday September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 8:30 am – 2:30 pm, located at Community College of Beaver County**. Our goal, with this event, is to discuss and provide information on Employment & Training Opportunities, Expungement and Pardon information, and the overall steps to removing barriers. Participants who attend this event will receive a certificate that waives some expungement fees for Beaver County. By receiving this invitation, we believe your organization would be beneficial to the participants at this event. We are looking for vendors who would like to set up a table at this event to highlight services, employment opportunities, and overall resources that would be beneficial to the participant. **PLEASE only accept this invitation if you can hire or provide services to reentrants.**

**Event details:** Sign-in will start at 8:00 am, at the “Vendor Registration” table, located at the entrance of Community College of Beaver County (1 Campus Drive, Monaca, Building 9, Room 9103, Bottom Floor). This is a free event for participants, vendors and employers to attend. If you have any questions, and/or to RSVP, please contact Rhett Maze at 724-728-4860 ext.216 or by email at [rmaze@pa.gov](mailto:rmaze@pa.gov). Please RSVP by September 4th to ensure your spot at this event. We are accepting only the first 25 vendors who reach out to register. If you register and can no longer attend, please let us know, tables are limited. We look forward to seeing you at the 2025 Beaver County Re-Entry Summit.

**Please note:** With this event, there will be additional advertising in lieu of celebrating 2025 PA CareerLink® Awareness Days. We intend to share this event on social media outlets, local radio and news stations, as well as the distribution of flyers throughout Beaver County.

If your company would like to provide a giveaway basket or door prize, please let us know! Anything is appreciated.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Emily Maze  
Site-Administrator  
PA CareerLink® Beaver County  
285 Beaver Valley Mall Monaca, PA 15061



# BEAVER COUNTY RE-ENTRY SUMMIT

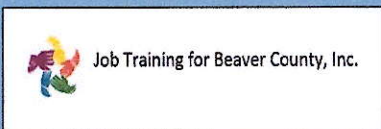
## STEPS TO SUCCESS

September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

8:30 am – 2:30pm

Community College of Beaver County  
Library Building, Room 9103 (Bottom Floor)

### Partnered With:

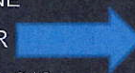


EVENT IS SCHEDULED FROM 8AM UNTIL 2:30PM

FREE Conference includes:

- Driver's License Restoration
- Transportation Resources including Rideshare
- Interview Techniques
- Job Preparation
- Dress for Success
- Job Opportunities
- Funding for Training Programs
- **Free Lunch Provided!**
- Financial Literacy
- Removing Barriers
- Moving beyond your Criminal Record
- Guest Speakers
- Expungement & Rap Sheet Information
- Certificate to waive Beaver County expungement fees

TO REGISTER ONLINE  
CLICK QR CODE OR  
CALL 724-728-4860 EXT. 216



Community College of Beaver County  
1 Campus Drive, Monaca PA 15061

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CALL :  
724-728-4860 EXT.216



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## **PA CAREERLINK BEAVER COUNTY ON-SITE**

Pennsylvania  
**CareerLink**  
Beaver County

May 1<sup>st</sup> from 10-3 PM BF Jones Library Aliquippa

May 8<sup>th</sup> from 10-3 PM Carnegie Free Library of Beaver Falls

May 15<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 PM Carnegie Free Library of Midland

May 16<sup>th</sup> from 10-3 PM Laughlin Free Library in Ambridge

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[www.pacareerlink.pa.gov](http://www.pacareerlink.pa.gov)



## PA CareerLink® Beaver County May 2025 Workshop and Recruitment Calendar

724-728-4860 – Phone -- 724-775-1199 – TTY

You must be registered on the PA CareerLink Website [www.pacareerlink.pa.gov](http://www.pacareerlink.pa.gov) to attend these free events.

To register for an event, please see specific workshop details on the back of this page.



| Monday                                                                                                                                                 | Tuesday                                                                                                                            | Wednesday                                                                                                                          | Thursday                                                                                                 | Friday |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| <br><b>Smart Start Workshop Graduation</b><br>(9:00 AM to 12:00 PM) | <br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4 | <br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4  | ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4                                                              |        |
| 5<br><b>Smart Start Workshop Graduation</b><br>(9:00 AM to 12:00 PM)                                                                                   | 6<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4                                                                                   | 7<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4                                                                                   | 8<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4                                                         | 9      |
| 12<br><b>Tech2Evelate Open</b><br><b>Computer Lab</b><br>2:00 to 4:00 PM                                                                               | 13<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4 am<br><b>Resume Workshop</b><br>1:30 PM to 2:30 PM                               | 14<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4 pm<br><b>Smart Start Workshop Class</b><br><b>#1 of 10 (9:00 AM to 12:00 PM)</b> | 15<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4                                                        | 16     |
| 19<br><b>Smart Start Workshop Class</b><br><b>#2 of 10 (9:00 AM to 12:00 PM)</b><br><b>Tech2Evelate Open</b><br><b>Computer Lab</b><br>2:00 to 4:00 PM | 20<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4 pm                                                                               | 21<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4 pm<br><b>Smart Start Workshop Class</b><br><b>#3 of 10 (9:00 AM to 12:00 PM)</b> | 22<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4<br><b>Big Interview Workshop</b><br>2:00 PM to 3:00 PM | 23     |
| 26<br><b>PA CareerLink® is</b><br><b>closed in observance of</b><br><b>Memorial Day</b><br>HONORING ALL WHO SERVED<br>* * *                            | 27<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4                                                                                  | 28<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4<br><b>Smart Start Workshop Class</b><br><b>#4 of 10 (9:00 AM to 12:00 PM)</b>    | 29<br>ResourceMFG OnSite<br>Interviews 10 am to 4                                                        | 30     |





#### Calendar events:

**Smart Start** - Are you or someone you know thinking of starting/growing a small business? **To Register** for the next Smart Start Business Series (10 workshop series, twice per week) **Please contact Dianne Hamrahan at [dhamrahan@jbc.org](mailto:dhamrahan@jbc.org) or call 724-728-4860 ext. 233.** This is an in-person workshop at PA CareerLink Beaver County. **Pre-registration is required by contacting Dianne to attend this workshop.**

**Resume Workshop**- Looking to improve your resume writing skills or interview skills? To register, please call 724-727-4860 ext. 237. You can also register on the **PA CareerLink® website.** This is an in-person workshop at PA CareerLink Beaver County. Please arrive 15 minutes early with your keystone ID and password.

**Civil service workshop**- Learn how to access and navigate the Civil Service and US Postal websites, on-line applications and testing process for Civil Service Commission, federal and state jobs. You can also register on the **PA CareerLink® website.** This is an in-person workshop at PA CareerLink Beaver County. Please arrive 15 minutes early with your keystone ID and password.

#### Next workshop in June!

**Big Interview Workshop** - Learn how to use the Big Interview program (available to you on the PA CareerLink website) to win that dream job! Get prepared for a specific upcoming interview privately or share your video answers for feedback. **TO REGISTER**, go to the PA CareerLink website at [www.pacareerlink.pa.gov](http://www.pacareerlink.pa.gov). Please arrive 15 minutes early with your keystone ID and password.

**Open Computer Lab**- Wish you knew how to use your phone or computer more efficiently? Is there a software you want to learn? Stop in for one-on-one help from a Tech2Elevate Digital Coach! Please arrive 15 minutes early with your keystone ID and password. (We can help you through these steps if you are unable to locate it).

**Reentry Workshop**- Did you miss the 2024 Beaver County Reentry Summit, but still want info on expunging your record, job search assistance, driver's license restoration, and pardon information? Stay tuned for the 2025 Reentry Summit Date! Attend the whole event to receive a gold certificate!!

We are at your local library!! Want help job searching or building your resume, but can't make it to our office? Check out [www.pacareerlink.pa.gov](http://www.pacareerlink.pa.gov) for upcoming dates and times and see below!

#### Recruitments-

**ResourceMFG**- This Manufacturing staffing team is here every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10 am to 4 pm. Stop by or email [Sabrina.green@prologistix.com](mailto:Sabrina.green@prologistix.com) . No pre-registration required to attend this event. Please arrive 15 minutes early for our sign in process.

\*For more information on hiring events. Please view our Facebook events! \*

**Please arrive 15 minutes prior to events to fill out our new Digital Intake process if you have not yet done so. Thank you.**



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BEAVER COUNTY COMMUNITY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COALITION

# BEAVER COUNTY UNITY GAMES

## SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2025

**COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF BEAVER COUNTY (BASEBALL FIELD)**

**(In case of inclement weather we will be in the Dome)**

**1 CAMPUS DR. MONACA, PA 15061**

**9:00AM - 1:00PM Registration 8:15AM**

**\*\*\* NEW GAMES ALERT\*\*\***



The Beaver County Unity Games is an event filled day designed to build and maintain community and law enforcement relationships throughout Beaver County. We are looking for police/first responders, students in grades 8-12 and volunteers who will compete in fun field activities alongside each other for prizes. The entire family, friends and neighborhood are welcome to come out and cheer on and support this event you don't want to miss out on.

Registration is required and a free t-shirt for all participants.

Transportation is also available if needed.

**\* FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY \***

**Bounce House & Activities for younger kids**

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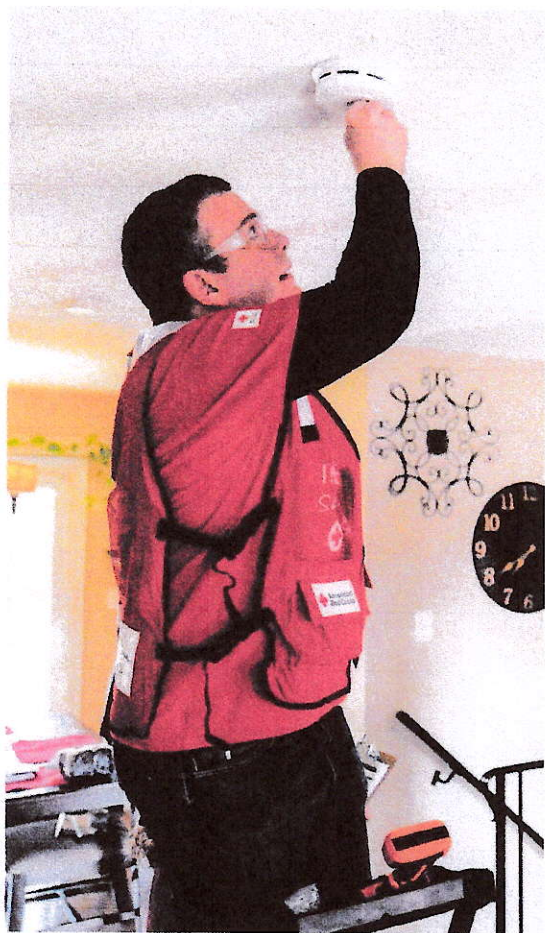
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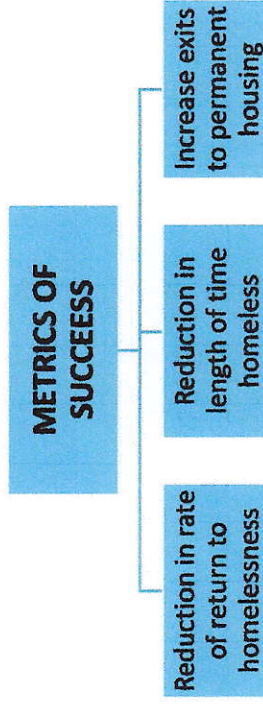
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## PA-603 COC – 2021- 2024 STRATEGIC PLANNING TOOL

The PA-603 Steering Committee is committed to the goal of ending homelessness in Beaver County by operating a system of partners that quickly identifies, engages, and rehuses households who face a housing crisis. The Steering Committee will use this tool in addition to the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action plans to guide their decision making over the course of the next 3 years (2021-2024). It will be updated periodically as determined necessary by data and outcomes.



### STRATEGIES

1. Monitor system and program outcome data regularly and develop strategies for improvement.
2. Ensure coordinated entry into the homeless system with an order of prioritization, efficiency, and equity
3. Engage more landlords in our efforts
4. Address disparities (racial, gender, abilities) in referrals and outcomes
5. Continue to build diverse partnerships in our work
6. Increase employment and income opportunities
7. Create an affordable housing collaboration
8. Develop strategies to address gaps in services including seeking new funding.

### GAPS IN SERVICE

1. Lack of affordable housing options
2. Disparate outcomes
3. Wait times that lengthen time homeless
4. Lack of case management/supports both pre and post housing placement (peer, CM for non-disabled households, open table, FGDM type concepts etc)
5. Memorandums of Understanding with critical partners
6. Housing needs of teens and young adults
7. Housing needs of people exiting jail/prison
8. Housing needs of elderly homeless
9. Housing needs of people with complex MH



## PA-603 Continuum of Care Strategic Plan to End Homelessness In Beaver County, PA

### PURPOSE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING TOOL

The Strategic Planning Tool is meant to be used as a reference to guide decision making and to help make funding decisions. It is used by the CoC Governing Board, the CoC Coordinator, and the Collaborative Applicant. Entities who apply for some homeless funds are asked to structure their proposals around the needs identified in this document. The Governing Board reviews the Strategic Planning Tool annually and formally updates it every 3 years. Input is gathered from CoC and ESG funded programs and from Housing & Homeless Coalition members. The CoC Coordinator also provides data to inform the process.

### CONTEXT OF HOMELESSNESS IN BEAVER COUNTY

PA-603 CoC is made up of partners working in coordination with various housing programs to end homelessness in Beaver County. Ending homelessness means the experience of homelessness is a rare occurrence and when it does occur it is brief and non-recurring. The Housing & Homeless Coalition is comprised of 280 distinct service and resource partners and advocates. Of these partners approximately 50 regularly attend monthly partner meetings. 15 different programs provide housing to homeless people and include: 3 Permanent Supportive Housing programs, 2 Transitional Housing programs, 6 Rapid Rehousing programs, and 5 Emergency Shelters. These housing programs provide 365 beds for people who are homeless (2023 HIC). On the night of January 23, 2023, 94.5% of those beds were filled (345 people). This is the second year the number of people has decreased and is similar to pre-pandemic levels of 330 people reported on the 2020 HIC. Numbers peaked at 444 people during the height of the pandemic in 2021 as reported on that year's HIC. Length of time homeless has steadily decreased over the last two years which is slightly surprising given the extraordinarily tight affordable housing market (FY 2021 and 2022 System Performance Measures). In fact, in 2022 the Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania estimated that Beaver County only has 57 affordable housing units for every 100 extremely low-income households.

### METRICS OF SUCCESS

The PA-603 CoC has a wealth of data to determine progress toward the goal of ending homelessness in Beaver County. The Governing Board has adopted the three metrics indicated on the Tool to determine progress toward meeting that goal. These metrics further guide the Governing Board's planning efforts and their development of strategies to improve performance and overall progress toward the goal. The chart below demonstrates these outcomes over the last four years.



| Metric of Success                         | FY 2019          | FY 2020          | FY 2021          | FY 2022          |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Avg length of time homeless for ES        | 76 days          | 77 days          | 60 days          | 66 days          |
| Avg length of time homeless for ES and TH | 99 days          | 125 days         | 74 days          | 70 days          |
| Exits to PH from ES, TH, RRH              | 44% (339 people) | 49% (347 people) | 48% (380 people) | 51% (395 people) |
| Exits to PH or maintenance of PH from PSH | 96% (213 people) | 95% (231 people) | 98% (196 people) | 91% (197 people) |
| Returns to Homelessness                   | 15% (62 people)  | 16% (68 people)  | 16% (70 people)  | 15% (64 people)  |

#### ANALYSIS OF METRICS OF SUCCESS

Comparing FY 2022 to FY 2019, PA-603 CoC has decreased the average length of time homeless by 10 days for ES and by 29 days for ES & TH combined. Exits to PH from ES, TH, and RRH increased by 7% since 2019. Exits to PH ( or maintenance of PH) from PSH decreased by 5% from 2019 to 2022 and needs further analysis to develop strategies to address this decline. Returns to homelessness have remained relatively stable.

#### STRATEGIES

The Strategies identified on the Strategic Planning Tool will advance the goal of ending homelessness as described below. The numbers correspond with the strategies numbered above.

1. Monitoring data enables the CoC to gauge its progress toward the goal of ending homelessness. The CoC needs to develop a formal process for this analysis and for developing strategies to enhance this progress. The Governing Board is currently taking this issue under consideration.
2. Fair and equitable access to CoC services will help ensure efficient and effective service delivery to all homeless households. Coordinated Entry (CE) has recently implemented the referral system through HMIS thereby expediting access to the housing programs. The CoC is also in the process of updating the CE tool to reflect changing needs and to be more inclusive and respectful. The Lived Homeless Experience committee is also providing insight into this effort.
3. Landlords are a critical partner in quickly housing homeless households and for providing PH options upon exit. Although our programs tend to have strong partnerships with many landlords, the CoC does not have a formal process to recognize those efforts. Further, there is very limited landlord representation on the Housing & Homeless Coalition. Currently one landlord regularly attends the monthly Coalition meeting and she is also an active member of ACRE (the local landlord association). Enhancing efforts to invite more landlords to the monthly meeting would be beneficial.



4. The CoC is aware of disparities in how different people enter the CoC and move through our CoC. While CoC partners are aware that many systemic factors have an impact on these disparities, they also want to determine which factors are within their control so they can address them. Currently a cohort of partners is attending a HUD Community Workshop series to review CoC data for disparities and to develop strategies to address them. This cohort intends to develop a local committee to continue this work.
5. The CoC recognizes that no two homeless situations are the same; therefore, households benefit from different combinations of supports and services to resolve their unique housing crises. To do this, we need broad partnerships of diverse services and resources, and across sectors. We currently have 280 entities represented in our Housing & Homeless Coalition with approximately 50-60 who regularly attend the monthly partner meeting. We are always inviting new partners into the work. And current partners are encouraged to invite new people as well. Since they are out navigating the resources, they often encounter new people who could play a stabilizing role in homeless situations. This enables the CoC to grow its membership every year and continue to offer the unique complement of services from which a household facing a housing crisis may benefit.
6. The CoC recognizes stable income as a significant factor in achieving long-term housing stability. CoC partners do coordinate with job training and education resources and the CoC Coordinator is in the process of growing these efforts. The housing programs also screen households for other sources of income for which they may be eligible, and they work to connect the households with these resources. Our CoC funded programs increased income by 5% for stayers in the last year (FY 2022 System Performance Measures). However, these same programs saw a 5% reduction in income for those households who left the program during the last year (FY 2022 System Performance Measures). It is worth noting that the FY 2022 numbers show significant progress compared to the previous year when there was an 11% decrease in income for stayers and a 7% decrease in income for leavers. This issue will continue to be addressed by the programs and the CoC will continue to pull in partners to assist.
7. As detailed above, Beaver County continues to face an affordable housing shortage. Partners have requested an affordable housing collaboration to help develop more affordable housing in the County. Also, the County received \$2 million to develop affordable housing for homeless people and is currently reviewing 3 proposals for implementation.
8. The CoC has identified several gaps in vital services and is committed to developing strategies and funding to address them. Requests for Proposals for homeless funds include the Strategic Plan and require that proposals address it. This ensures that new funding is being directed at the identified gaps. Further strategies include identifying relevant partners and experts to address the gaps, considering reallocation of funds as needs change, securing new funds, and learning best practices for addressing the gaps.

#### GAPS IN SERVICE

The CoC Coordinator, CoC partners, and the Governing Board identified these 9 gaps in services as having a negative impact on ending homelessness in Beaver County. Each is detailed below according to the number of the gap as listed above.



1. Beaver County only has 57 affordable housing units for every 100 extremely low-income households. This shortage impacts how long a homeless household remains homeless while looking for housing. It also lengthens the time in a program while a household looks for affordable housing when ready for exit. And finally, as a household may need to move or is evicted, the lack of affordable housing makes it more likely that the household will become homeless again.
2. The CoC is committed to embedding equity into our programs so that all homeless households have equal access to the appropriate level of housing supports and within reasonable timelines, and the opportunity to establish long term stable housing without returns to homelessness.
3. Many factors impact the length of time a household remains homeless - limited affordable housing options, insufficient case management support, delayed referrals, poor communication between partners etc. The CoC has implemented three new strategies to reduce the time homeless. First, the new Men's Emergency Shelter will streamline supports to men in the shelter thereby shortening the length of time that they need shelter. Second, Coordinated Entry is now referring homeless households directly to the programs with openings via HMIS. And finally, Coordinated Entry has recently streamlined the process to upload client information into a shared, secure depository for the accepting programs thereby expediting the housing programs ability to engage new households.
4. Partners have identified the need for more case management support after a homeless household is housed. The CoC recognizes that household challenges to housing do not disappear with housing alone. For long term housing stability ongoing case management support is needed – even if only as a safety net to prevent returns to homelessness. Partners have also highlighted the need for case management for people without behavioral health challenges as this population is often not eligible for traditional case management services.
5. PA-603 is a stand alone CoC within the geographical boundaries of Beaver County, PA. Beaver County is a small county where many partners have worked on the issue of homelessness for extended periods of time. This means that partnering is often seamless and non-contractual. However, CoC partners recognize the value in formalizing these partnerships so that consistent service is rendered. There is also value in being able to point to these formal partnerships when applying for funding and when demonstrating the cohesion within our CoC partnerships.
6. Children under 18 years of age do not have the option for emancipation in Beaver County. This means that unaccompanied children are still viewed as part of a family unit by our Child Welfare partner. Landlords are not likely to rent to persons under the age of 18. And those aged 18-21 often struggle with maintaining independent living initially. We work to address this with supportive services, but programs tailored to meet the needs of unaccompanied children and young adults are needed to better meet their unique needs. The CoC Coordinator is in conversation with our Child Welfare partner and other CoC partners to address this critical gap.
7. People leaving jail face many challenges to secure housing including a criminal history that often serves as a barrier to housing. We currently have an agency who connects with people in jail who are readying for release. This enables the incarcerated person to start working on housing



before they are out in the community with no money and limited supports. This population could benefit from expanding this program and/or other programs similar to it.

8. Elderly households face many challenges to secure housing including but not limited to low incomes and the need for in-home supports to live safely and healthfully. Partnering with our Office on Aging and other elderly focused service partners enables the CoC to bring specialized supports to these households but there continues to be a gap for those elderly adults with complex medical and behavioral health needs.

9. Our CoC continues to struggle with a small segment of the population who does not meet the criteria for institutional residential settings but who face many emotional and behavioral challenges to living safely, healthfully, and independently in the community. The CoC works very closely with Beaver County Behavioral Health and numerous other behavioral health treatment providers, but stably housing households with complex behavioral health needs remains a very real challenge in the CoC.

#### CONCLUSION

The Strategic Plan is meant to guide the CoC's efforts toward the goal of ending homelessness in Beaver County. It identifies the measures that are used to gauge progress toward that goal and provides data to demonstrate that progress. It highlights gaps in services that slow that progress, and it outlines strategies to fill those gaps. The Strategic Plan is formally updated every 3 years by the Governing Board and reviewed annually (by the Governing Board and the Housing & Homeless Coalition) and updated as needed. The CoC Coordinator amasses input from partners throughout the year and pulls data to further inform the process for updating the plan. As the Lived Homeless Experience committee continues to grow, they too will review the Strategic Plan and provide input. Anyone with input or questions on the Strategic Plan may reach out at any time to the CoC Coordinator, Dina Ciabattoni, at [dina@beavercounty.org](mailto:dina@beavercounty.org) or 724.987.0714.