



## Homeless Coalition of Greater Battle Creek & Calhoun County

**Tuesday, June 16, 2020 12pm – 1pm**  
**Location: Zoom Call**

### 1. Welcome and Introductions – Maggie Honaker, Chair

- Please subscribe to the Homeless Coalition Listserv for the most updated information from this coalition: <http://eepurl.com/cwoyDP>
- New team members?
- Additions to the Agenda?

### 2. Housing Solutions Board Update to General Membership – Maggie Honaker

- Taking board member applications – passion for homelessness, countywide
- Board voted on 5/21/2020 to prioritize funding for the MSHDA Emergency Solutions Grant – COVID-19 application. The grant will be submitted this week to the state for review and approval.
- Next board meeting is this Friday, June 19, 2020 at 10:00AM via Zoom.

### 3. New business, Training, and Presentations

- COVID-19 Grant Funding
  - Grant with City of Battle Creek is a multi-agency partnership between the City, Community Action, Haven, Legal Services SCM, SAFE Place, Summit Pointe Housing, and TRHT.

Received Full Amount Requested					
Application in Progress, Waiting					
Application in Progress, Expected					
Partial Award Only					
Not Awarded					
<b>Summary of Grants</b>					
	<b>Funding Organization</b>	<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Primary Objectives</b>	<b>Amt Requested</b>	<b>Amt Received To Date</b>
	United Way Battle Creek Kalamazoo Region	Summit Pointe Housing	Hotels (partner with Haven, SAFE Place, SHARE)	\$ 70,875	\$ 70,875
	United Way Battle Creek Kalamazoo Region	Summit Pointe Housing	Hotels (partner with Haven, SAFE Place, SHARE)	\$ 41,600	\$ 41,600
	United Way Battle Creek Kalamazoo Region	Summit Pointe Housing	Hotels (partner with Haven, SAFE Place, SHARE)	\$ 45,000	\$ 20,000
	United Way Battle Creek Kalamazoo Region	SAFE Place	Staffing, food, mileage, technology	\$ 6,657	\$ 6,657
	United Way Battle Creek Kalamazoo Region	SHARE Center	Food, staffing	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
	Rotary Club of Battle Creek	SHARE Center	To-go containers, water	\$ 500	\$ 500
	Rotary Club of Battle Creek	Homeless Coalition	Handwash stations, water	\$ 1,000	\$ 500
	Rotary Club - District level	Rotary BC for SHARE	Takeaway Meals Service	\$ 2,000	
	Rotary Club - District level	Rotary BC for SHARE, Haven	Handwash stations, water	\$ 4,920	\$ 4,500
	Homeless Coalition	SHARE Center	Handwash stations, water	\$ 500	\$ 500
	Carewell Services/3B Area Agency on Aging	Summit Pointe Housing	Hotel Vouchers for seniors	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
	Carewell Services/3B Area Agency on Aging	Haven of Rest Ministries	Hotel Vouchers for seniors	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
	Carewell Services/3B Area Agency on Aging	SHARE Center	Food service for seniors	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
	Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness	Summit Pointe Housing	Hotels (partner with Haven, SAFE Place, SHARE)	\$ 10,000	\$ -
	Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness	Haven of Rest Ministries	Staffing	\$ 10,000	\$ -
	Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness	SHARE Center	Food service	\$ 9,000	\$ -
	Frankenmuth Insurance	Haven of Rest Ministries	Emergency shelter	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
	Marshall Community Foundation	Haven of Rest Ministries	Emergency shelter	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
	MSHDA ESG-CV	Multiple, see below	Various Housing programs, hazard pay, supplies	\$ 310,901	\$ 41,627
	CARES Act Paycheck Protection Program	SAFE Place	Payroll, utilities	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000
	CARES Act Paycheck Protection Program	Haven of Rest Ministries	Payroll, utilities	\$ 289,000	\$ 289,000
	City of Battle Creek CDBG-CV & HOME 2019	Multiple, see below	Case Mgmt, Housing, Utilities, Legal Services	\$ 1,016,334	
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,892,787</b>	<b>\$ 550,259</b>

- Reminder: Regional COVID-19 Quarantine site – Hampton Inn at Riverside Drive (63 rooms) – for those symptomatic who don't have a home where they can safely return (per Health Dept referrals)

- Haven continues to partner with Grace Health for COVID-19 testing
- Shelters Update, coronavirus action plans – Ellen Lassiter Collier, Daniel Jones, Robert Elchert
  - Haven – Population is increasing. Street Outreach has restarted. Emily Andres House is going to become the County Quarantine site for COVID-19-positive individuals who are not able to quarantine at home. It will be staffed by the County.
  - SHARE Center – Continuing to see 15-35 participants daily at Full Blast. From March 23, SHARE Center has provide approximately 18,000 meals to the community. Thank you for all of the community support.
  - SAFE Place – has started welcoming back residents into the shelter at reduced capacity and will continue to use hotels to supplement. Focused on high danger/high lethality cases for emergency shelter. All services are ongoing. Counseling is available by telehealth or face-to-face. Courts are still operating by appointment.
  - Summit Pointe Housing – There are 137 people on the waiting list related to triage for eviction assistance. Currently hiring for a housing case manager for prevention, rapid rehousing work (focus is on the City of Battle Creek CDBG grant).
- People Helping People BC, <https://www.peoplehelpingpeoplebc.com/>
  - A group on Facebook titled “Battle Creek Michigan Area Covid19/Coronavirus Grassroots Resource Network”
- Albion Notes
  - Mr. Bonner would like to follow up with BCPD and Melissa Smith, along with Vivian and J.R. to gain connections with the Albion PD.
- United Way funding opportunity
  - UW-BCKR – Volunteers may register at [getinvolved@uwbckr.org](mailto:getinvolved@uwbckr.org). UW continues to have a disaster relief fund with a balance of around \$113K. To apply, send an email to [communityimpact@uwbckr.org](mailto:communityimpact@uwbckr.org) for more information.
- Truth Racial Healing and Transformation (TRHT)
  - J.R. Reynolds from Beyond separation team presented overview training on TRHT and how organizations may get involved. Presentation deck will be attached on listserv email.
  - The Beyond Separation team is currently focused on housing inequities for Battle Creek.
  - Areas of TRHT include Narrative Change (education, solutions focus), Racial Healing & Relationship Building (healing circles, spaces for conversation), Law (development phase currently), and Beyond Separation (ways to bring the community together, tackle discrimination issues, review/change policies & procedures)

#### 4. Updates on collaborative work:

- **HMIS User Group** – SP Housing, Tara McKernan
  - Extension to submit PIT/HIC count, currently on target
  - Group expected to restart soon
- **HARA Update** – Jamie Schook, Tara McKernan
  - Continuing to transition out of hotels
- **Veteran by Name List** – Hannah Patton, Cindy Carrier
  - Meeting every week. There are 11 vets on the current list.
- **Rental Housing Roundtable** – Alisa Parker or Anna Moss
  - No update
- **Income Increase / Employment** – Robert Elchert
  - No update
- **Hunger Free Calhoun – Homeless** – Laurel Clark
  - Meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday via Zoom. This month the focus will be on gaps from disaster response.
- **Calhoun County Connect & VA Stand Down 2020** – Laurel Clark/Ellen Lassiter Collier

- Meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday via Zoom. Will be looking at offering the fair in a different format due to COVID-19 social distancing concerns
- **Coordinated Entry System** – Maggie Honaker
  - NOFA for 20/21 MSHDA ESG grant will be released soon and will be communicated via email and social media announcements.
  - NOFA for 20/21 CoC grant is still being discussed for path forward this year. There is some expectation of a “bonus” application for DV programs.
  - Homeless Coalition of Calhoun County has a Facebook page.  
<https://www.facebook.com/HomelessCoalitionCalhounCounty/>
  - Population Health Alliance Homeless Shelter Task Force has been created to help develop additional capacity (with social distancing) for our community to serve our homeless residents.
  - Highlights from Peer-to-Peer call this week with HUD highlighted the focus on prevention and rehousing as we transition to the next phases around COVID-19. Prioritization plans are in place, using the VI-SPDAT homelessness assessment tool. Racial equity work will be ongoing with TRHT. Landlord engagement is critical.
- **Street Outreach – PATH and Haven** – Deborah Grays, Patrick Paradine, and Cindy Carrier
  - PATH is supporting about 2 days/week, checking in known locations in conjunction with the Haven
  - Officer Herbstreith gave a shout out to the shelters for their service. Looking for support along with Officer Gentry for a homeless individual that needs services & connection to support. Deborah will take the lead on this item.

## 5. Next Meeting

- July 21, 2020 @ 12:00PM via Zoom