



PARTNERS IN CARE

Oahu Continuum of Care

Partners in Care is a coalition of Oahu's homeless service providers, government representatives and community stakeholders working together in partnership to end homelessness.

Advocacy Committee Minutes

Date: 12/13/2023 | Time: 3PM

Location: MS Teams

See attendance list below.

Topic	Discussion	Outcome/Action
Call to Order	Call to order at 3:00PM	
Continuing Business	<p>Open House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Disappointing turnout, mainly due to conference on Maui and the fact that not a lot of legislators were in office. - Will revamp and try again next year. <p>True Cost Coalition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Budget for homeless services has not changed in about 10 years, regardless of inflation & other increasing expenses; TCC attempting to remedy this. - Laura is on leadership team and advocacy team, Nikos is on advocacy team. - Not looking at creating legislation at this point, more budget and meetings with legislators. - DHS asking for 20% increase to their budgets; TCC assisting with testimony. - Nikos: TCC looking for people to write letters to the editor, strengthen engagement in general because it's such a crucial initiative to service providers. <p>Senator Morikawa/Homeless & Housing Briefing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PIC did presentation for one of the Reps, shared about what CoC is working on. <p>2024 Legislative Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BTG will have the same priorities. - Continuing to push our priorities regardless of Maui fires, as homelessness is still a critical issue, only getting worse now. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Not a ton of migration of Maui residents into the O'ahu homeless system. o Kristen: Lots of migration to the Big Island homeless system. 	
Meeting Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 3:20pm	
Next Meeting	Next Meeting: January 25th at 3pm (week after the session starts, and will have new chair)	

Attendance (PIC - Laura, Sara, Jillian)

- Mike Goodman – Community member
- Sarielyn Curtis - SOHHS
- Lydia Pavon – DVAC
- Keanan Kamaka – WIN
- Nikos Leverenz - HHHRC
- Kristen Alice – HOPE Services
- Melissa – Kinai Eha
- Marya Grambs – PIC BoD