



Human Services Work Report May 2021



Policy & Budget:

Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB)

On May 6, 2021, The Community Human Services Advisory Board heard from Ms. Carolyn Miller and the Prosecution team on their approach to providing compassionate accountability. The board also recommended that Kulik Strategic Advisors as the consultant to be considered by the Mayor and Council to perform the Community Needs Assessment and Facilitated Program Development. Ms. Knight shared with the board the Mayor's priorities for ARPA funding, gathered the boards input on gaps and preferences that the board had for this funding and shared with the board the proposed process for distribution of these funds.

On May 3, 2021 CHSAB also participated in reviewing the City of Monroe Housing Action plan in a joint meeting with the Planning Commission. After hearing about Community Land Trusts, Chair Harrigan and Chair Pro-tem Balk requested that City Staff reach out to hear more from a local model. And on May 20, 2021, Kim Toskey, Member Director of Washington State and founder of the new Homes and Hope Community Land Trust in Everett Washington came and shared about the history and development of different CLT models.

Project Management Consultant Rachel Adams shared the final draft of the 2021 CHSAB Review of the HPAC Housing Recommendations report with the board. This report was then shared with the Mayor and City Council on May 25, 2021, to communicate what short term housing solutions the board preferred as low hanging fruit.

The report can be viewed here: [2021-CHSAB---HPAC-Housing-Category-Review \(monroewa.gov\)](https://www.monroewa.gov/Archive.aspx?AMID=99)

To view the Agenda materials please visit the City Website:
<https://www.monroewa.gov/Archive.aspx?AMID=99>

Project Management Consultant Rachel Adams is using an issues log to keep track of action items raised by board members, for follow up and reporting back to the board. The 2021 CHSAB Work Plan and Schedule has undergone some recent adjustments to accommodate more in depth discussion on important topics.

Partners, Support Services & Prevention:

Community Asset Mapping and Facilitated Program Development

The CHSAB will reviewed the consultant's proposal and made the recommendation that Kulik Strategic Advisors be considered by the Mayor and Council to perform the Community Needs



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Assessment and Facilitated Program Development. The consultant’s contract was approved by the Mayor and Council on May 25, 2021. KSA’s contract will begin June 1, 2021. The goal is to have the final report in time to inform the CHSAB’s 2022 budget recommendations. Ms. Adams has been working on compiling information on key stakeholders and potential focus groups to share with the KSA team.

Housing & Public Safety:

Grassroots Sheltering Efforts

Local grassroot sheltering and transitional housing efforts are being explored by Roger Evans, the Community Outreach Director of New Hope Fellowship. He has enlisted the support of several leaders of the local faith community who have committed to collaborating with him on this project. Mr. Evans is also networking with the McKinney Vento and Monroe School District Prevention Team to establish a small pallet shelter village for Monroe families. He has been keeping the CHSAB informed on his efforts and progress in establishing his new 501-C3 “Heather’s Hope for Community”. Mr. Evans is committed to establishing the much-needed transitional housing programs that are currently in short supply county wide.

Local Human Service Events during Covid19

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
211 East County Navigator at TTNS				211 East County Navigator at SVDP		
		Sky Valley Foodbank 2pm-5pm	MPD Outreach Team			
TTNS Outreach Team		TTNS Outreach Team		TTNS Outreach Team		
		USDA Food Box Distribution at Seventh Day Adventist Church 11am-3pm				
		Hot Food Event 12pm-1pm at the Library	Hot Food Event 12pm-1pm at the Library		Hot Food at Foursquare Church 10am	
	Food Share 9:30am at The Library	Food Gleanings 2pm-4pm at The Rock Church	Grocery Distribution at French Creek Manor 2pm-4pm	Food Gleanings 4pm-6pm at The Rock Church		
VOA Showers 10pm-2pm		VOA Showers 12pm-5pm				

We Are Monroe WA Stories May 2021



“Living in Northern California, my husband and I felt settled in and happy until 3 little girls moved to Washington State with their Mom. With his young daughters gone out of state, I pushed one theme: we have to move near them and stay in their lives. Without practical plans of where we would live or get jobs, we went to work selling any possessions we could part with and packed up. In this time before the internet, we eventually found a place to park our travel trailer near Flowing Lake in Monroe and began job searching. For a time, we lived in a trailer home near Lake Stevens. The

typing skills I learned in high school gave me a chance at being an administrative assistant in city government, just as Woodinville began and computers entered our offices in full force. I cooked our meals on a pot belly stove even as I urged my husband to "give it more time". We kept on keeping on. Surprisingly, my cousins and his daughters linked up in this part of Washington. So, our next generation bonded as well. For all my current attachment to structure and procedural details, my life has shown me that I flourish in times of no rules. Overall, our family maintains a deep gratitude for those many mini miracles that have carried us through the toughest times and settled us here in Monroe.”





We Are Monroe WA Stories May 2021



The goal of #WeAreMonroeWA is to elevate commonalities and shared values among City of Monroe residents, spark connections, and ultimately cultivate empathy that is grounded in shared humanity rather than circumstances. Similar to Humans of New York.

#WeAreMonroeWA will feature about the people who make Monroe the amazing community it is. Because we are all Monroe. Have a story to share? Email wearemonroewa@monroewa.gov, or text 360-722-1684. Please include a photo with your story submission, and if it is about a specific person, their contact information so the City can get their permission to share the story.



COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The May 6, 2021 Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB) meeting was called to order at 6:02PM by Chair Pro-tem Balk. Mr. Tyler Christian facilitated roll call.

Attendees:

Board Members

Tony Balk(*arrived at 6:04pm*)
Jim Bloss

Lynsey Gagnon
James Harrigan

Members

Amy Plumb

Bryan Lipsy(*arrived at 6:50pm*)

Sarah Lunstrum

Bridgette Tuttle
Aisha Sial

Todd Strickler

City of Monroe

Rachel Adams
Tyler Christian
Deborah Knight
Mayor Thomas
Council Member Rousey

Absent:

Roger Evans
Amber Mehta
Jose Luis Nino De Guzman

Community Members:

Carolyn Miller
Chad Krepps
Yelena Stock
Jeff Jolley

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Member Bloss made the motion to approve the 03.18.2021 CHSAB Meeting Minutes. Board Member Sial seconded. Motion carried: 6-0

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DISCUSSION

Presentation and Discussion with Ms. Carolyn Miller and team from the Prosecutor's Office of the Monroe Municipal Court. (Rachel Adams)

Ms. Carolyn Miller and team gave a presentation to the CHSAB entitled "Compassionate Accountability". Ms. Miller shared with the board that most offenders face issues of homelessness, chemical dependency, mental health or any combination of those three things. She explained that it takes a complete team effort. The City of Monroe is fortunate to have two Embedded Social Workers.

Ms. Miller also shared about the limits they are facing of not having a Probation Officer, not having sober housing, having limited treatment options, and no community court.

Ms. Miller explained that for offenders with chem dependency issues sentencing always includes treatment in offer. The prosecution team works with the social workers to determine recommended sentences. They will offer a plea package where all sanctions are imposed on a single case and then dismiss the remaining cases. Often, they will also offer community service for nonviolent offenders Also if an offender has cases pending in another jurisdiction that has probation the office Ms. Miller's team can reach out for a global resolution where the offender can receive assistance with resources.

Ms. Miller shared the need for a probations officer. She explained that the Court Administrator is over worked. The offenders have unsigned ROIs with multiple agencies. The Court Administrator does not have the resources to assist in navigating the sentence requirements. If Monroe had a Probation Officer that person would be someone who is trained in supervising offenders, navigating resources, communicating with treatment providers, assisting unsheltered populations need.

Ms. Miller also explained that without emergency and sober housing options they must relocate offenders elsewhere.

The prosecution team shared that there is a pending bill SB5476 which aims to address homelessness and drug addiction.

Ms. Miller continued that her "wish list" included: continuing the embedded social worker's contract, a Parole/Probations Officer, more housing options, and better internet and Wi-Fi connectivity.

Board member Bloss referred back to the plea packaging and asked if it was common to take the most serious crime and use that? Mr. Bloss also asked if Ms. Miller an team were involved in involuntary commitments? Ms. Miller responded that typically yes they do take the most serious crime. And that yes they do deal with involuntary hospitalizations but are limited since they are not a felony court. She also

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explained that the prosecution team works closely with the District Attorney to get people the long-term treatment.

Board member Tuttle shared that she felt like the speakers at the last meeting had a negative view of the Parole Officer and that there was not agreement about Monroe needing one. Ms. Tuttle also asked if there is information available on what areas of Monroe have internet issues. Ms. Miller replied that the downtown corridor where we have municipal court has internet issues. Ms. Miller expressed that she doesn't know where our population is logging in from, but there are frequently connectivity issues there. Ms. Tuttle agreed that she could definitely see that that is a problem if people can't make it to their appearance because of their connectivity. Ms. Miller also shared that the City has looked into grants. She elaborated that high usage and band width is also an issue. "Every time we start court we cross our fingers and hope it works." Ms. Tuttle also asked that the board get more info about the pros and cons about the Parole Officer. Ms. Yelena Stock, another member of the prosecution team, chimed in that Monroe is the only court that doesn't have a Parole Officer. Ms. Stock shared that the defense is looking for what is in the best interest of their client and sometimes in probation clients don't succeed. Ms. Tuttle responded that "success" and "what the best interest" is often subjective and requested clarified terminology.

Board member Sial reported that she had discussed some of this with son who is a Public Defender. There is some concern over the title of officer vs counselor. Ms. Sial said that she does see that the Public Defender part of the Municipal Court could also benefit from a Probation Officer. She added that the board should do what they can to help the Court Administrator not be over worked and be able to help the frequent fliers. Ms. Miller added that when they first got Ofc. Delgado there was also concern that she wouldn't have success, but she has had great success.

Member Plum added that as someone who has worked in Community Mental Health the title of "counselor" does imply confidentiality which in probations would be a slippery slope. Chair Harrigan agreed that maybe that can be written into the job description somehow.

Mr. Chad Krepps shared with the board more information about the Senate Bill. It is pretty wide reaching and states that the State's simple controlled substance violation/conviction is unconstitutional. The bill turns class C felonies into misdemeanors. It also created a mandatory action for law enforcement where if they are acting with individuals with SUD issues, they are now required to divert them from law enforcement at least two times. (How do you keep track?) If someone is known to have SUD issues, and known to have refused treatment on two occasions then law enforcement can send them to the prosecutor. This bill was written to legalize or decriminalize drugs. Based on the LEAD model. The bill also created a homeless outreach stabilization transition program. Drug paraphernalia has also all been eliminated from the statute. The intent of the bill to turn the war on drugs from a criminal justice battle to a public health battle. Ms. Knight asked about the personal possession levels. Mr. Krepps replied that all of that was removed and the verbiage that was added is that an individual

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can't "knowingly" possess a controlled substance. Personal use may come back into the next legislative session.

Member Plum shared that they had mentioned Project LEAD and that she sits on the stakeholders committee if the board would like more information.

Motion to recommend to the Mayor and Council that Kulik Strategic Advisors preform the 2021 Human Services Community Needs Assessment and Facilitated Program Development. (Deborah Knight)

Board Member Sial made the motion to approve. Board Member Bloss seconded. Chair Pro-tem Balk requested to hear the presentation.

Ms. Adams and Ms. Knight gave background on the process of selection and scope of work for Kulik. Then they asked for the other interview panel members present to contribute their thoughts.

Chair Pro-tem Balk shared his observations that Kulik was committed to our project and the success, that he felt they will best fit in our community and that this project will carry their name.

Board member Lunstrum stated that though she wasn't able to stay for the second interview this was the application she preferred out of the two.

Board member Sial contributed that Marcos is also bilingual.

Board member Bloss requested that Chair Harrigan call the question. Motion carried: 9-0

STAFF AND BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Chair Harrigan opened the meeting for board reports and asked that anyone who was able to join the joint meeting with the Planning Commission might be able to share about their impressions and the experience now.

Board member Bloss shared that he felt the overall impression was that the board did well and didn't embarrass anyone. That our board members spoke up and got the important main points across.

Board member Sial thought it was a good meeting and thanks to Bridgette Tuttle for making it happen and to Tony Balk for being well organized with the three top agenda items. Ms. Sial also thanked Jim Bloss for emphasizing the needs for specialized needs populations. Ms. Sial stressed the importance of not having high barriers.

Chair Pro-tem Balk shared that he felt the board should make a statement as the CHSAB in support. Mr. Balk also shared his reflections of the meeting. Mr. Balk added that the state requires the City to do an

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amendment addressing special needs housing. Ms. Knight inquired about the bill number that requires the City to do an amendment. Mr. Balk explained that Anita would have it.

Board member Lunstrum shared that from the perspective of someone who works with people who need housing now it's hard to hear about potential percentages. She shared a client's story. It is tough to go back to work and then see the need.

Chair Harrigan responded that "that's what this board is all about, bringing the perspective of real human issues". Mr. Harrigan said he also agreed with Tony that a board recommendation would be a good idea.

Chair Pro-tem Balk responded that he understands the frustration. That even when the plan is adopted it is still a strategic plan. That we are talking about long term planning. Mr. Balk emphasized that the other thing that Sarah mentioned was the people needing housing today and funds to stay in homes. He concluded that it is not one or the other, we have to do both.

Mayor Thomas spoke up and expressed that he hears exactly what Sarah is saying. Mayor Thomas added that just like Tony said this is a high policy level. Mayor Thomas assured Sarah that these efforts will mean something for someone someday. The process that something that was once really high level, finally reached an ordinance, and reached serving the people. "That's why this group exists. That's why HPAC was created. The work you are doing may take time to get to helping the people today, but we will get there."

Board member Lunstrum responded that she wanted "to encourage you, Mayor Thomas, to be bold". Ms. Lunstrum added that with these ARPA funds we might have the opportunity to do something really great.

Board member Tuttle added that she is also familiar with how long some of this takes. One of the reasons she wanted to have the joint meeting was so some of those ideas could be brought to the Planning Commission. Ms. Tuttle asked for insight from this group on the solutions for the Planning Commission. Ms. Tuttle added that she didn't want it to just be a check off the list that we had one meeting with the Planning Commission.

Chair Harrigan shared that he thought the meeting went very well and the Planning Commission appreciated our input. Chair Harrigan requested to have the revised HAP emailed out to the group. Chair Harrigan also requested more information on the Community Land Trust. Aisha mentioned one at the joint meeting and Chair Harrigan looked into it and felt it was a compatible operation. Chair Harrigan requested to reach out to them to give a presentation to the board.

Chair Pro-tem Balk explained that he would also love to see the new HAP but that it is an evolving process and won't be finalized until the Planning Commission recommends it to the City Council. Mr.

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Balk also mentioned that Home and Hope is an existing CLT in Snohomish County. Would be interesting to hear from both organizations.

Board member Sial stressed that she wanted to have someone who can speak to codes and regulations speak more to this board. She expressed the concern that she did not want to get linked to not having ADUs on foundation unless there is a compelling reason not to. Chair Harrigan reiterated that what he was hearing Ms. Sial say is that she wants to minimize barriers. Board member Bloss chimed in to call them constraints. Ms. Knight offered to follow up by email or at the next meeting.

Ms. Knight continued to explain that the CHSAB did have some scheduling issues that City Staff needs some direction from the board on. On next meeting agenda the plan is to bring back ARPA and have the review of the Public Safety Category. Ms. Knight asked if other board members wanted to hear from a CLT. Ms. Knight offered to have Ms. Adams and herself work on finding someone to come in to speak to us. Ms. Knight also shared that the schedule for Public Hearing is for June 14, 2021 with Council Action on the 22nd. If the board is going to talk about the HAP and make recommendation that would need to be done at the June 3rd CHSAB meeting. Ms. Knight concluded that City Staff will then plan to bring back the HAP on June 3rd and that will be when the CHSAB will make a recommendation.

Mr. Christian reported that the internet at City Hall had just been upgraded. He shared that since this has been completed internet connectivity has gotten better.

Chair Pro-tem mentioned that the HAP does not address special needs housing. And that there is a new state law that requires the City to go into more detail on that.

Board Member Tuttle followed up on the topic of internet. Ms. Tuttle requested to know more about the areas that have less accessibility and to hear more about special needs housing.

Chair Harrigan brought up to follow up on unnecessary constraints that can be avoided.

Ms. Adams reported that there was an email in board members inboxes from Board member Nino de Guzman explaining his recent absences.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:54pm Chair Pro-tem Balk made the motion to adjourn. Board Member Bloss seconded. Motion carried: 9-0.

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The May 20, 2021 Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB) meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Chair Pro-tem Balk. Mr. Tyler Christian facilitated roll call.

Attendees:

Board Members

Tony Balk

Jim Bloss

Roger Evans

Lynsey Gagnon

James Harrigan

Bryan Lipsy

Sarah Lunstrum

Amber Mehta

Jose Luis Nino De Guzman

Bridgette Tuttle

Aisha Sial

City of Monroe

Rachel Adams

Tyler Christian

Deborah Knight

Mayor Thomas

Council Member Rousey

Members

Amy Plumb

Absent:

Todd Strickler

Community Members:

Kim Toskey

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Member Bloss made the motion to approve the 05.6.2021 CHSAB Meeting Minutes. Chair Pro-tem Balk seconded. Motion carried: 11-0

DISCUSSION

Community Land Trust Presentation and Discussion with Ms. Kim Toskey of Homes and Hope. (Rachel

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Adams)

Ms. Kim Toskey shared an overview of Community Land Trust (CLT) Models and the history of CLT's. "Community is the first word in CLT and every Community needs to find the right fit." Ms. Toskey shared.

Ms. Toskey shared a story of the beginning of CLT in through the 1940's and 50's. Moving ahead to Bernie Sanders finding a CLT. In Vermont the legislature made CLT legal, and Vermont also has the largest CLT.

Ms. Toskey is the Member Director for Washington State. This year Washington had five CLTs present at their annual gathering.

Ms. Toskey shared that communities are concerned that they don't have places for people to live and own their homes. And that we are undergoing rapid growth phase. What then happens is the price to purchase goes up and up and people stay in the rental market causing rental costs to go up. CLT creates attainable homeownership which also frees up space behind them in the rental market.

Using a lease hold the cost of the house is removed from the cost of the land. The house then becomes affordable. The family gets to buy a house that is priced way below market value. When they sell the house, it is to a family of similar income level. The resale formula is 1.5 or 2% compound simple interest. Most CLT owners sell and move out into market rate housing. CLTs give homeowners the stability to start out.

Ms. Toskey shared that in 2017 a family of four in Snohomish county was considered low income if they made \$70K a year.

Chair Pro-tem Balk asked who builds the houses? Ms. Toskey replied that the homes can come into a CLT portfolio in a variety of ways. Sometimes on behalf of a homeowner leaving a legacy. Sometimes people will pay market for a fixer upper and then sell it to a community land trust. Homes and Hope purchased two parcels of land. Sometimes the land is donated. Who builds depends on any strings that come from funding. Sometimes there are developer deals for more houses. There is also a scattered site acquisition model, shared equity models and the ARCH model. Mr. Balk commented that sometimes if a developer donates a single lot then they get a lot bonus. Ms. Toskey replied that in Bellingham they have density bonus that they use.

Board Member Bloss asked how to start up a CLT? Ms. Toskey referenced Grounded Solutions Network – the National CLT has a startup hub with standard documents and procedures. She added that the biggest thing is you have to start having the conversation. The to decide if you want to have your own CLT or be under the umbrella of another CLT? Mr. Bloss exclaimed "Hire Kim." Ms. Toskey shared that there are consultants available or she can come back and talk about the benefits of being under Homes and Hope umbrella.

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Board Member Sial asked if she was finding that families that are at the point of the 10 year move into the market housing were finding that going to the next level was difficult? Ms. Toskey replied that here in Washington there are more than a dozen active resales. Ms. Toskey also added that this is a 99-year lease that is inheritable and transferable. But yes, she said, we are still seeing families move out and the average occupancy is 7 years.

Chair Harrigan asked how the CLT goes about selecting people? Ms. Toskey responded that when they had their startup meeting, they would dance up and run away from this topic. She shared that she struggles hugely with the idea that homeownership at a CLT should be about luck. So, what Homes and Hope has chosen to do is facilitate multiple orientation meetings about what is needed to apply. Then they are calling it "first come first serve" but that all the applications that come in on the same day have the same rank. The applications are then prioritized through a well published set of priorities. The idea is that "you will be given as much support as you need to get you to a place to apply. Want it to feel like people worked to become homeowners not just won a bingo."

Board Member Bloss asked about special needs category groups. Ms. Toskey replied that every community makes their decision. Homes and Hope has made "inclusive, supportive and accessible" an area of focus.

Board Member Mehta asked if Homes and Hope provides wifi. Ms. Toskey responded that right now, they are not planning to but they have talked about it.

Chair Harrigan asked what it might look like for a City to participate in a CLT. Ms. Toskey responded by sharing stories of different models where Cities used land, money and/or philosophy as support for different CLTs. She assured that there are lots of ways the City can be involved.

Board Member Bloss stated that it seemed like a very flexible model and struck him as collaborative. Mr. Bloss asked if Ms. Toskey had seen collaborative models? Ms. Toskey replied that "what we do very well is we maintain the affordability." It is not uncommon for CLTs to partner with other organizations and incorporate sweat labor. Ms. Toskey concluded her presentation by saying that "you can't solve it overnight and can't solve it in a silo".

Continued Discussion: American Rescue Plan Act Allocation Alternatives (Deborah Knight)

Ms. Knight gave a review of the context: "The purpose of the discussion tonight is to get more ideas about how the City can use the funding." Ms. Knight then asked Ms. Adams to walk the board through the questions from the presentation and for her to take notes.

Board Member Lipsy volunteered that there are a number of places in the sidewalks where the trees are pushing up the sidewalks making it not very wheelchair accessible. Mr. Lipsy added for the list City wide broadband. Mr. Christian responded that he used to work in the Public Works department. He shared that with more information they are more successful at fixing them. Mr. Lipsy asked how he

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should tell someone. Mr. Christian offered that Mr. Lipsy could follow up with him by email if he would like.

Board Member Tuttle suggested to fund the infrastructure the City needs – like City Staffing infrastructure so that plans don't just sit on a shelf because there isn't staff to do those things. Ms. Tuttle agreed with investigating Citywide broadband. She shared that she was not sure that supporting small businesses is a priority on this board. A lot of money has been allocated to that already but that that is not our priority on this board.

Board Member Bloss said that there is lots of input ongoing from other groups. He read the question "How can we ensure equitable distribution of funds," and responded that he felt it should be to each according to their need. To fund where it is most needed.

Board Member Mehta offered the idea to fund full after school programming at Frank Wagner, so that families can have jobs and income. Childcare is extremely expensive. Ms. Mehta shared that she supported anything we can do to help with childcare and liked that Mr. Lipsy brought up the sidewalks, because people do need support with that.

Board Member Lundstrom joined in by agreeing with everything that Ms. Mehta said. She offered that she doesn't know about the crosswalks, but was in support of childcare, affordable housing, mental health services, mental health and SUD assessments and treatment.

Chair Pro-tem Balk added that it is important to make sure that when the eviction moratorium expires there is the infrastructure in place to do the screening and delivery of the money. Mental health is more greatly needed and daycare.

Mr. Christian asked to share something with the board. There are a lot of ideas but need to have something specific with a plan. "We have a lot of broad ideas but how to get to those ideas. See the goal in the distance and not just be shooting in the dark."

Chair Harrigan shared a personal story. Mr. Harrigan is in support of having counselors in Monroe. How much money do you need to put mental health services back in Monroe?

Board Member Bloss asked if someone had asked the Compass Health behavioral health providers what it would take to bring the clinicians back to Monroe.

Board Member Lunstrum hesitantly shared that Next Step has put in an application for ARPA funds or that they are drafting one and talking with a former compass health person about meeting people at their location.

Board Member Lipsy asked if we could we use the money for the Community Resource Center?

Ms. Adams replied that we are waiting to see if the funding can be used for capital investments.

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Board Member Lunstrum added that we are also waiting to see the results of the Asset Mapping.

Mr. Christian added that we are waiting for clarification.

Board Member Lipsy mentioned that if a one stop shop is our goal, then we should look at what it looks like with childcare and mental health.

Board Member Sial offered up having a “doable roadmap to with help with evictions.” She also shared that she has experienced working in an afterschool program and felt that a model within our reach here: was an afterschool daycare offered in a school but staffed through the YMCA or Boys & Girls club.

Board Member Lunstrum shared that Take the Next Step does offer an afterschool program.

Board Member Tuttle replied to Mr. Christian’s comment that she was struggling with hearing that the board needed to have some solid ideas to put down on paper. She shared that this process invites conversation more than direct answers. Ms. Tuttle felt there was some board consensus around sidewalk repair, broadband, on the issue of housing and eviction help with a partnership between the finances and the people who are benefiting from it. She reminded the board that there was also mention of youth connectivity and socializing by designating money for scholarship or sponsoring teams of local baseball and soccer clubs

Board Member Evans shared that Monroe has nonprofits and asked how we can as a community come alongside them, and help them, help the people that were talking about. “And the one stop, I know we’re getting ahead of ourselves, but it is a need, at least I think it is.” Mr. Evans also agreed with the consensus around broadband, sidewalks & crosswalks.

Board Member Sial replied that she wanted to say thank you to Mr. Evan and asked if funding could be used to support his group home plan. Mr. Evans responded that right now we don’t even know how the money can be used.

Board Member Nino de Guzman shared that he appreciated the call out by Mr. Christian and Chair Harrigan to get to tangible items we can get ourselves around. He also agreed that there was consensus around childcare, broadband, eviction assistance. Mr. Nino de Guzman also asked with respect to using the nonprofits, is there a time frame that the money needs to be used by? Ms. Knight returned to the meeting and shared that the deadline to use the funds was December 2024.

Ms. Knight continued that the City will be sending out the grant applications in July and the review will be done by our boards and commission. CHSAB will review the resiliency applications in August. She also shared that the current proposal is to distribute half of the money at first and hold some back to see what’s working well and if there are still any gaps.

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Board Member Nino de Guzman offered that Pioneer last year had to shut down all their outpatient Mental Health and SUD because the model shifted last year. "There are some top-notch mental health providers going into private practice right now."

Member Plum agreed that the Community Mental Health industry collapsed on itself. She advocated for making mental health available and for keeping quality folks. Ms. Plum also agrees with Mr. Bloss that the funds need to go where they're most needed. Ms. Plum pointed out that when we are talking about our BIPOC community members we need to hear from them directly. She also mentioned that she was curious why Compass didn't have an adult service program here?

STAFF AND BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Ms. Adams requested feedback or questions on the CHSAB Housing Report. She said that since there was not a lot of time Members could also email any thoughts or questions. Mr. Bloss mentioned wanting to see more on housing for special needs populations.

Board Member Bloss said "don't forget to invite our speaker back." Chair Harrigan agreed that he would also like to hear more about Homes and Hope and maybe how ARPA funding can be a part of that.

Board Member Lunstrum reported that Take The Next Step would be doing a renters rights program by zoom on June 2, 2021 at 6pm.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:00pm Board Member Lunstrum made the motion to adjourn. Chair Pro-tem Balk seconded. Motion carried: 11-0.

	January 2021	February 2021	March 2021	April 2021	May 2021	June 2021	July 2021	August 2021	September 2021	October 2021	November 2021	December 2021
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Apply for Transit Go (grant) program												
Provide information about services to remain housed, financial training, and incentives for businesses to hire employees with entry level skills, information about mental and behavioral health services.	X	X	X	X	X							
Work with partners to develop and promote annual "human services days" set up like a vendor show.												
Standardize Case Management Action Planning												
C. Prevention												
Develop education and outreach communication plan	O	X	X	X	X							
Poverty 101 Trainings												
Crisis Response Trainings												
Identify needs of homeless families	O	O	X	X	X							
Work with McKinney-Vento Family Liaisons in the Monroe School District to connect families with resources.	O	X	X	X	X							
D. Public Safety												
Promote Block Watch Program – residential and business buy in/ education/ communication – training & certification program												
Explore Mobile Medical Unit Outreach Program												
Identify partners to develop community court model												
Hire Probations Officer – <i>City Court Assessment</i>	O	O	O	X	X							
Explore Fee Revenue – <i>City Court Assessment</i>												
E. Support Services												
Coordinated Services – One Stop Shop – <i>City Strategic Plan</i>		X	X	X	X							
Facility Build Out (<i>TBD/On Hold</i>)												
Implement local Shared Database System												
Establish Family Resource Center					X							

