



## Human Services Work Report February 2022



### **Policy, Budget & Public Safety:**

#### **Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB)**

At the February 3, 2022, CHSAB meeting the board heard from City of Monroe Community Development Director Lance Bailey and Principal Planner Anita Marrero about the Housing Element of the City Comprehensive Plan. Some of the biggest updates to the Comprehensive Plan that will interest the board are related to housing and diversity, equity and inclusion. The board also wanted to hear more about multifamily tax exemptions and emphasized having diversity on the Community Advisory Committee for the Comp Plan to help advocate for some of the housing concerns that came up in the 2021 Human Services Community Needs Assessment.

At the January 17, 2022, meeting the CHSAB heard from Police Chief Jeff Jolley about the Monroe Police Department Community Outreach Team and discussed how recent legislation has impacted their work. Chief Jolley shared three things that the Police Department deals with that effects the community: Substance Abuse, Mental Health, Homelessness. These are not Policing issues; they are Human Services issue. The Chief expressed that the Police Department would be happy to turn these over to another agency. Chief Jolley also shared that the Monroe Police Department is very much on board and supportive of the legislative changes and that any concern at this point is over wording.

The board also reviewed the 2021 Annual Human Services Report which was presented by Management Analyst Tyler Christian to the Mayor and Monroe City Council on February 22, 2022 [monroewa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/12771/2021-Human-Services-Annual-Report?bidId=](https://monroewa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/12771/2021-Human-Services-Annual-Report?bidId=)

#### **Virtual Resource Center**

The Monroe Municipal Court hosted an informational zoom meeting with local service providers to share about the new Therapeutic Court and Virtual Resource Center. Pam Hailey and Judge Ness shared their vision and request of support through partnership.

### **Prevention, Housing, Partners & Support Services:**

#### **New Partners**

In February, City Staff met with several new service providers and invited them to join the monthly service provider check ins:

- Anh Ong-DSHS, Washington Connection Community Access Consultant: [Washington Connection Community](#)
- April Provost - Peer Outreach Specialist Snohomish County with Ideal Option: [Ideal Option](#)
- Debbie Black - DSHS Workfirst Supervisor Monroe: [Monroe DSHS](#)
- Jasmine Donahue - Hope N Wellness, Peer Support & Re-entry Services: [HopeNWellness](#)



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- Lance Morehouse and team – Sherwood Community Disability Integration Services: [Sherwood](#)
- Mike Kersey Courage to Change Treatment: [CTC Recovery Services](#)
- Shannon Smith - Sound Pathways Program Manager Snohomish County Syringe Services: [Sound Pathways](#)
- Susan Gustafson - Director SnoCo Futures Yong Adult Services - Lilia Khan onsite at St Vincent De Paul: [SnoCo Futures](#)

### Point in Time (PIT) Count

Take the Next Step led the Monroe effort to gather data on the number of Homeless individuals in Monroe along with the rest of the County on February 22, 2022. The last count was in 2020 and had a total of 673 literal homelessness (plus 459 without a permanent place to stay for a total of 1,132).

Resource Navigator Michael Lorio, with Take the Next Step (TTNS) led an information session with volunteers and coordinated two shifts going out to interview people living in cars and unhoused around Monroe and in encampments. The PIT count is done annually, and is intended to quantify the number of people, and also qualify the need for services. The PIT count interview includes questions about: the total duration and number of times an individual has been homeless, if they have substance use dependency, disability or mental health needs, and other demographic information. On February 22, 2022, TTNS was able to collect 14 completed surveys on the first day. The count continued for the rest of week with more surveys anticipated to be collected during TTNS regular weekly homeless outreach activities.

In Sultan, the PIT Count was led by the Volunteers of America Sultan Resource Center. VOA hosted a breakfast event on campus to bring people together to complete the survey. They also offered resources and free showers.

The full assessment of PIT count data for the County is anticipated to be released in June. [Point In Time \(PIT\) | Snohomish County, WA - Official Website \(snohomishcountywa.gov\)](#)

### Community Land Trust Forum

CHSAB Chair Harrigan partnered with Kim Toskey, of Homes and Hope, to create a community Forum sharing the information about Community Land Trusts. Five people, including Mayor Thomas, attended.

[Community Land Trust Forum Recording](#)

**Sky Valley  
Community Forum**

Community Land Trust Housing

Join the discussion regarding the housing crisis and the role of the CLT here in Monroe and Sky Valley!

In partnership with  
**Homes and Hope  
Community Land Trust**

**February 23rd at  
5:15PM (via ZOOM)**

**Kim Toskey**  
Featuring award-winning CLT leader  
Kim Toskey of Homes and Hope  
Community Land Trust



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## Cold Weather Shelter

In February 2022, the Monroe cold weather shelter location opened 10 nights and served 94 guests.



**NOVEMBER 1 - MARCH 15**

when temperatures are forecast to reach **below 34° or below**

### MONROE

NEW HOPE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH  
1012 W. Main St.

### SNOHOMISH

SNOHOMISH EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH  
210 Avenue B

Doors Open 8pm • Doors Close 10pm • Reopen 7am

**Need a ride? Sultan Library shuttle departs at 7:45pm**

▼ FIND OUT IF THE SHELTER IS OPEN ▼



**QUESTIONS?**  
Call 360-793-2400  
(Mon-Fri 9am-4pm)

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## Local Human Service Events Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
211 East County Navigator at SVDP		211 East County Navigator at TTNS		211 East County Navigator at SVDP		
	Sky Valley Foodbank 4pm-6pm		Sky Valley Foodbank 9am-11am			
TTNS Outreach Team		TTNS Outreach Team	MPD Outreach Team	TTNS Outreach Team		
		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 10am-2pm				



## Community Human Services Advisory Board

Regular Business Meeting  
Thursday, February 3, 2022, 6:00 PM Zoom Online  
Meeting Platform

**CHAIR**  
James Harrigan  
**VOTING MEMBER**  
Junelle Lewis  
Megan Wirsching  
Sarah Lunstrum  
Jose Luis Nino De Guzman  
Lynsey Gagnon  
Tony Balk  
Aisha Sial  
Marci Scott-Weiss  
Roger Evans  
**MEMBER**  
Todd Strickler

## MINUTES

### 1 CALL TO ORDER

Virtual Participation Information:

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Join Zoom Meeting:

- [Click here](#)
- Dial in: (253) 215-8782
- Passcode: 393405
- Meeting ID: 864 6396 1290

The February 3, 2022, Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB) meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Chair Harrigan. Mr. Tyler Christian facilitated roll call.

### 2 ROLL CALL

#### Attendees:

##### Board Members

Tony Balk

Lynsey Gagnon

James Harrigan

Junelle Lewis

Sarah Lunstrum

Aisha Sial

Marci Scott-Weis

Megan Wirsching

##### City of Monroe:

Rachel Adams

Tyler Christian

Deborah Knight

##### Members:

Todd Strickler

##### Presenters:

Lance Baliey

Anita Marrero

##### Absent:

Roger Evans

Jose Luis Nino De Guzman

## Community Members:

Ice Breaker - Chair Harrigan

### 3 PUBLIC COMMENTS

*(This time is set aside for members of the public to speak to the Community Human Services Advisory Board on any issue related to Human Services. Three minutes will be allowed per speaker.)*

### 4 CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Minutes from 1.20.22

Board Member Balk made the motion to approve the date CHSAB Meeting Minutes. Board Member Lunstrum seconded. Motion carried: 7/0

### 5 ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

- a) Monroe Comprehensive Plan - Housing Element - Deborah Knight, Lance Bailey, Anita Marrero

Ms. Knight introduced the Comprehensive Plan Presentation and Mr. Lance Bailey as the City's new Community Development Director. Mr. Bailey will be presenting with Ms. Anita Marrero this evening. This board will be working closely with Mr. Bailey and Ms. Marrero on the Housing Element.

Mr. Bailey introduced the Comp Plan as a requirement of the GMA. It is really a comprehensive analysis to support growth. After the Comp plan is done it is required to be updated every 8 (or 10) years. The Comp plan is a road map intended to articulate a vision. The implementation falls into the community development code. There are required elements and optional elements of which the city has two: Economic Development and Parks and Recreation.

The City of Monroe's Comp plan a part of a regional planning effort. In terms of housing, there are growth targets that come out of the population in the area. Planning is around where that growth will be centered and the infrastructure to accommodate. Within the Comp plan there are also requirements to do countywide planning. The City of Monroe's planning process is a subset of other planning that is going on. The city will be working with a consultant over

the two-year process to do the Comp plan update. The Community Advisory Committee will be formed from the existing boards and committees.

Some of the biggest updates that will interest CHSAB will involve affordable housing and DEI.

Ms. Marrero introduced the Housing Element. A lot of the work that was done in the HAP will carry over into the work that needs to be done to update the Housing Element Chapter.

Board Member Balk reminded the board that on June 7, 2021, the CHSAB sent a letter focusing on certain elements on the HAP. Mr. Balk asked if multifamily tax exemption will that be on the work plan. Mr. Bailey responded that In previous position the city that he was working with, the city did adopt the Multifamily Tax Exemption for affordable housing. It is not on the work plan right now, but other cities have done it so we wouldn't have to reinvent that. It would initially go to the Planning Commission and then the Planning Commission would make a recommendation to City Council. Board Member Balk also mentioned his interest in comparing the census data when we get it.

Board Member Sial In our need assessment done last year there's a section on housing support and it lists four subgroups. Ms. Sial asked if Ms. Marrero had had a chance to look at that report and how the GMA and Comp plan is going to address those housing concerns in terms of DEI. Can we address those needs in the plan? Mr. Baily responded that the answer is yes, those things can be incorporated into policies and goal statements.

Chair Harrigan observed that when the work is being done to establish the Community Advisory Committee having diversity on that board would be a good way of advocating for those issues.

## **6 BOARDMEMBER REPORTS**

Board Member Sial mentioned that the legislature right now is in session and there is a back and forth about the police accountability items. Ms. Sial is trying to find out what's going on in the current session. Her question for the board is: Do you want me to come back to you and say this legislation needs support? Ms. Knight responded that there are two options for your presentation: you could identify legislation that is in the review process recommending the City Council pay attention to it. Or you could wait until after the legislative session and talk about what has been done and implementing anything new. Ms. Knight also shared that the challenge will be that most of the bills will be on the floor. Board Member Balk offered that he thought it was well worth our time to share our perspective on certain bills, have a robust discussion and share that with City Council. The other thing is that many times there is legislation

that is before the state that the City Council hasn't taken a position on. Is this an appropriate forum to suggest board members as individuals take an interest in those items? Ms. Knight responded that it would be great to send those to Rachel and create a broad legislative update. Board Member Lunstrum shared that she would love to hear Aisha's take on this and to hearing Chief Jolley's take on it also would give us a rounded review. Maybe if there is a blank later in the schedule we could also get an update. I appreciated Tonys email on support for Family Resource Centers.

Chair Harrigan shared that being a part of Snohomish County were lucky to have a brand new Community Land Trust established with Homes and Hope. Mr. Harrigan shared that he is interested in how CLT could be a good fit in the Sky Valley. He met with Kim Toskey and is trying to plan a community meeting about what a CLT is and how it works and to gauge interest. The meeting will be sometime this month.

## **7 STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- a) 2021 Annual Human Services Report - Rachel Adams

Ms. Adams explained that she wanted to share the report with the board before it went to Council next week.

- b) Snohomish County Council Resolution Thanking Cold Weather Shelters - Rachel Adams
- c) City of Monroe Proclamation recognizing the month of February as National Black History Month - Rachel Adams

## **8 ADJOURNMENT**

Majority vote to extend past 8:00 p.m.  
Next Meeting February 17, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

At 7:11PM Board Member Scott Weis made the motion to adjourn. Board Member Balk seconded. Motion carried: 7/0.



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**Board Members**

Tony Balk

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James Harrigan

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Megan Wirsching

**City of Monroe:**

Rachel Adams

Tyler Christian

Rich Huebner

Deborah Knight

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

Chief Jeff Jolley

Commander Paul Ryan

**Members:**

**Presenters:**

Chief Jeff Jolley

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**Absent:**

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**Community Members:**

Chris Gray

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**4 CONSENT AGENDA**

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Board Member Balk made the motion to approve the date CHSAB Meeting Minutes. Board Member Wirsching seconded. Motion carried: 6/0

**5 ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

- a) CHSAB - Monroe Police Department Update - Jeff Jolley

Ms. Knight introduced Chief Jolley and acknowledged Commander Paul Ryan.

Chief Jolley shared three things that the Police Department deals with that effects the community: Substance Abuse, Mental Health, Homelessness. This is not a Policing issue this is a Human Services issue. The Police Department would be happy to turn these over to another agency if one were to become available.

Chief Jolley shared some current response examples from the field involving Designated Crisis Response, Narcan and the Community Outreach and Embedded Social Worker Team. Chief also shared about the Municipal Court, City Human Services Department acknowledging Rachel Adams, and the Diversion Center.

Chief Jolley shared about the Police Reform Legislation. The need for clarification was due to hasty legislation that police department stakeholders were not involved in. For example: What is the exact definition of use of force,

reasonable force and reasonable suspicion? Police change and police reform is always a good thing and welcome. Monroe is nothing like Minneapolis - The Chief does not comprehend that type of culture existing. For Monroe the community supports us, and we are usually ahead of the curve. Also, just in terms of Everett versus Monroe: there are not a lot of similarities between what they do and how they deploy their police. One is not the same everywhere.

None of the things that changed in the legislation needed to be changed here in Monroe. Monroe Police Department does not use choke holds, no knock warrants etc. The changes that were made did not impact business - Monroe has always done business in a progressive way.

This agency has over 1000 hours of cultural diversity training. CJTC training is also done regularly for all employees. There are seven different tools that are given to officers to help use a less lethal mindset. The Police department is also very involved with community partners and in the community.

Ms. Knight is accountable for daily oversight and reports to a strong mayor. Also reports to a Public Safety Committee. Policy is also overseen by the Monroe City Council. Monroe Police Department is very much on board and supportive of the suggested legislative changes. Any concerns are over wording.

Board Member Balk asked about who makes up the Public Safety Committee. Chief Jolley responded that it was a sub-committee of the City Council. Mr. Balk recalled that at the beginning of the presentation Chief Jolley talked about Substance Abuse, Mental Health, Homelessness and asked how much officer time is spent on those things. Chief Jolley responded that a ballpark guess would be half of their time.

Board Member Weis thanked the Chief for the service of the community. Ms. Weis asked about MPD not using no knock warrants. And about what structural changes would be needed to offset that time. Chief Jolley shared that the city investment in the human services department and Ms. Knight exploring a DCR for the area and getting the service providers to work together. Chief thinks were headed in the right direction. And no knock warrants have just been a matter of policy.

b) Police Reform Legislation 2022 - Deborah Knight

Board Member Sial began with a thank you inspired by our partner in public safety the Monroe Police Department. Ms. Sial also thanked the board and acknowledged gratefully the recent investments being made into human services.

Ms. Sial agreed that Monroe is not the same as Minneapolis. However, that what the legislation is looking at are State laws. ACLU sites a 60% reduction in police related death since the legislation. Ms. Sial believes the board needs to keep DEI as our lens and become familiar with the [leg.wa.gov](http://leg.wa.gov) site. Bills become laws, there is also a question of funding and then implementation. Ms. Sial is tracking 150 bills currently.

The City Council voiced concern around some of the Police Accountability Laws, wrote a letter requesting clarification and drew attention to three bills.

Bill 1054. Bill 1719 is correcting a concern that Law enforcement had, clarifying which devices could be used. Bill 1310 mentions use of force inviting clarification and gave the Attorney General a full year to come back with clarification. Bill 1735 is a live bill this session addressing when a Police Officer can now legally intervene but does not cover criminal activity.

One of Ms. Sial's questions is if AWC represent the City of Monroe throughout the Legislative Session.

Bill 2037 regarding use of force. There seems to be more contention on this item. Bill 5919 the ACLU found it disappointing that the Senate would rush through a bill that would harm communities. Bill 1788 regarding high-speed chases did not pass while Bill 5919 is moving forward.

Ms. Sial posed the question about training but acknowledged that Chief Jolley already covered that.

Bill 5051 has to do with training and oversight. Ms. Sial didn't see much of ideas relating to this in the legislative session. This idea of oversight has been around a long time.

Ms. Sial also wanted to know about the ambiguities that concern the cities. Ms. Sial found two different sections on how to eliminate ambiguity and a reporting process.

Ms. Sial gave the interpretation that a Code Enforcement Officer would create a possible burden and might want to be handed over to another department but felt that accountability at that level was also important. Chief Jolley explained the limited commissions of these positions but because they site people in court the question became do these positions need the same training that police officers go through, and we felt that it was not necessary.

Ms. Sial encouraged the board to be good partners in our role to the Police. Ms. Sial also felt it was very important and how we manage our grant funding. Ms. Sial also encouraged the board to support Bill 1620 regarding extreme weather.

Board Member Balk thanked Board Member Sial for her work and then redirected his question to Chief Jolley observing that the Police Department is made up of human beings and human beings are flawed. Mr. Balk asked if he had any concerns about the ability to hold officers accountable. Chief Jolley responded that there are protections but he in his experience has never had a problem being able to navigate dismissals and disciplinary processes whenever necessary.

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas addressed the board sharing that about a year and a half a resident asked some questions about the union contracts and upon review Mayor Thomas didn't see anything of concern. The Bill 1782 as Mayor Thomas understands it as the missing middle housing which has not progressed. The City is committed to creating more missing middle in the Comprehensive Plan and promote a more diverse housing stock. There are also other things that get in the way that result in the type of laws we have today. There are laws against condominiums. There are apartment complexes that have been converted into condominiums. Developers don't have incentive to build condominiums due to extended warranties. Board Member Balk overserved that this bill doesn't get in the way of city action. Mayor Thomas responded sharing some of the planning difficulties and growth targets that impact housing and housing prices. The Mayor hopes that in the Comprehensive Update we can address some of these things. Ms. Knight affirmed that the GMA makes it so that you can't over zone for housing. Mr. Balk pointed out a point in the Housing Action Plan that concerns displacement for low income and BIPOC people. Mayor Thomas responded that in the Comp Plans his hope is to have a DEI lens and look at local economic information.

Chair Harrigan shared that the approach he is pushing for is the Community Land Trust approach to maintain the missing middle.

Board Member Balk mentioned that on all the bills when there is a public hearing you can sign on and click support or oppose and that is it! You can also give testimony if you would like to.

Chair Harrigan returned to the CLT topic to encourage as much support from the City as possible.

- c) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion - Tyler Christian

This item was put on hold for another meeting on account of time.

## **6 BOARDMEMBER REPORTS**

Board Member Weis expressed a plea on behalf of new members to explain acronyms.

Chair Harrigan shared the information about the Community Forum on CLT at 5:15pm on the 23rd with Kim Toskey. Mr. Harrigan encouraged the board to spread the word and encourage community engagement. Board Member Sial spoke up to amplify his interest in CLT and shared about the incredible difference it has made for her own family members. That CLT also incorporated a solar panel project and expressed her inspiration by the difference this can make in people's lives.

## **7 STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Ms. Knight shared information about ARP Round Two and how to get involved in the review committee process. Ms. Knight also shared that the NOFA for the general fund will be coming out after March 1st. So, there is a lot of money being distributed \$100,000.00 in City funds and \$860,000.00 in State Funds. Chair Harrigan asked if it would be the same three categories. Ms. Knight responded that was correct.

## **8 ADJOURNMENT**

Majority vote to extend past 8:00 p.m.  
Next Meeting **March 3, 2022** at 6:00 p.m.

At 7:38PM Board Member Balk made the motion to adjourn. Board Member Sial seconded. Motion carried: 6/0.





