

# Community Human Services Advisory Board Work Report – July 2020

## Policy & Budget:

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

The City has received fourteen applications for the Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB) which will be the standing City of Monroe board formerly known as the Homelessness Policy Advisory Committee. The new name broadens the committee's mission to consider policies that affect community members who are experiencing homelessness, who are at risk of becoming homeless, who are experiencing poverty, or are adversely impacted by a crisis.



To view the full Agenda Bill & Resolution:

<https://monroewa.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Item/9895?fileID=12281>

## Partners, Support Services & Prevention:

### **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Consensus**

Through facilitated meetings the TAC has finalized the Mission, Vision, and Values.

**TAC Mission:** Creating a community where individuals and families find access to meaningful realistically available services, shelter, and housing. Where all those who struggle to make ends meet can find affordable housing and help meet their basic needs.

**TAC Vision Statement:** Monroe and Sky Valley communities are thriving and desirable locations for all individuals and businesses for generations to come, responding affectively to the needs of all residents ensuring stability and self-sufficiency.

**TAC Values:** Monroe's Technical Advisory Committee values a relational, collaborative, and action-oriented approach to championing equity, empowerment, and learning throughout Sky Valley.

The TAC continues to work on drafting the RFP for the One Stop Center for Health and Human Services along with City Staff. A small group is being tasked from the TAC to examine three different models and give their feedback on which model is a best fit for Monroe.

### **Service Providers and Resources**

The service providers continue to meet bi-weekly on a zoom call to share information and resources and continue to do an incredible job collaborating.

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## Community Relief Fund Grant and Response During Covid19

Through the CARES Act \$50,000 is being made available in the form of a Community Relief Fund grant for service providers and non-profits to apply for. The City received nine grant applications. A small group task force of service providers worked with City Staff to review the applications and assist City Staff to recommend how these grant funds should be awarded to those serving Monroe's most vulnerable community members. The proposed grant awards will be presented to the Mayor and Council at the August 11th

## State Face Covering Program

City Staff is supporting the Department of Emergency Management's efforts to continue communications about which local agencies are available as pick up sites to serve those who still need a face covering and qualify for this program. This information can be viewed on the City Website along with up to date additional resources for community members being affected by the Covid19 crisis: <https://www.monroewa.gov/937/Additional-Resources>

## CFSC Grant

All the grant funds awarded to the City to respond to those experiencing Homelessness during covid19 have been accounted for and distributed. The CFSC Grant funds continue to support laundry services with the Monroe Laundry Company using laundry certificates.

## Communications Plan



#WeAreMonroe

The communication team has launched the #wearemonroewa social media campaign on Facebook and Instagram and is sharing stories on acts of kindness intended to elevate commonalities among community members.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/We-Are-Monroe-WA-105780997847486>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/wearemonroewa/>

City Staff has amended the EnviroIssues contract to continue their services and give more time to complete deliverables.

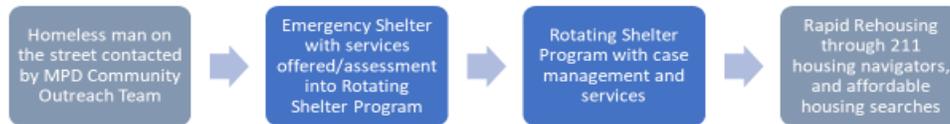
## Housing & Public Safety:

### Congregations for the Homeless Model

The Mayor and the City Council have authorized City Staff to pursue grant funding to support the launch of a year-round low barrier emergency shelter and rotating shelter with case management services that would be similar to the Bellevue WA. Congregations for the Homeless model.

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## Path to Housing



The Agenda Bill can be viewed in full here:

<https://monroewa.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Item/9937?fileID=12333>

Currently one grant application has been submitted to Snohomish County for consideration. The City of Monroe requesting the support of Snohomish County in the amount of \$250,000 to expand the Monroe Cold Weather Shelter into a low barrier emergency shelter operating in tandem with a high barrier year-round shelter with case management that rotates between several host churches in East Snohomish County.

Preliminary Budget(s) of launching The Sanctuary Project:	Plan A.	Plan B.
Mats/Cots	\$1,000	\$1,000
Safe Storage	\$1,000	\$1,000
Case Manager	\$50,000	\$50,000
On Site Oversight Person(s)	\$100,000	\$50,000
To go food items/Hygiene kits	\$10,000	
Annual retainer for overnight emergency low barrier space.	\$25,000	\$25,000
Administration and over-sight person.	\$50,000	\$25,000
<b>Subtotal</b>	\$237,000	\$152,000
Additional insurance & business set up costs, EGM Shelter Bed, Data System RFP and beginning buffer for cost estimates.	\$13,000	\$13,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$250,000	\$165,000

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**2020 HPAC Action Plan - Gantt Map Chart (X = Started O = Not Started) (CV – On hold due to Coronavirus)**

<b>A. Housing</b>												
Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing (Crisis Housing, Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing)	O	O	CV	CV	X	X	X					
Evaluate Property Units			X	O	CV	CV	CV					
Negotiate Lease – Master Leasing				O	O	O	O					
Write RFP and Secure Program Manager through RFP				CV	O	O	X					
Develop criteria with TAC	O	O	CV	CV	X	X	X					
Provide Rental Assistance through RFP	O	O	O	X	X	O	O					
Establish Sky Valley Housing Consortium	X	O	CV	X	O	X	O					
Inventory Surplus Property			X	X	X	O	O					
Identify Housing Needs	O	X	X	X	X	X						
Work with TAC to identify partners and available funding		X	X	X	X	X						
<b>B. Partners</b>												
Form a TAC	X	X	X	CV	X	X	X					
Identify non-profit stakeholders and partners	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Determine shared mission and vision		O	O	O	X	X	X					
Evaluate needs and resources for one-stop shop			X	CV	O	X	X					
Write scope of work for RFP for one-stop shop				CV	O	X	X					
Establish Transportation service between Sky Valley and Everett	O	O	O	O	O	O	O					
Evaluate transportation needs with partners	X	O	O									
Evaluate existing transportation contracts with non-profits	X	O	O									
Apply for Transit Go (grant) program			X	X	O	O						
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.	O	O	O	X	X	X	X					

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Work with partners to develop and promote annual “human services days” set up like a vendor show.	O	O	CV	CV	O	O	O					
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**C. Prevention**

Educational Campaign (Enviroissues Contract)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
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Develop education and outreach communication plan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
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Educate Property Owners about laws, enforcement, trespass – Chamber of Commerce & Downtown Monroe Association		O	O	CV	X	X	O					
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Educate public about aggressive panhandling, property crime, and personal safety		O	O	CV	O	O	O					
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Educate public about safety regarding vigilantism and bullying		O	O	CV	O	O	O					
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Develop and implement Block Watch Program – residential and business buy in/ education/ communication – training & certification program.					X	X	X					
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Develop working relationship with McKinney Vento liaison at Monroe High School				X	X	X	O					
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Identify needs of homeless families	O	X	X	X	X	X	X					
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Work with McKinney-Vento Family Liaisons in the Monroe School District to distribute flyers of local and county services for homeless students and families and encourage MSD to post flyers on school premises			X	X	CV	O	O					
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**D. Public Safety**

Implement law enforcement strategies	O	O	O	X	X	X	X					
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Review Solicitation Regulations		O	O	CV								
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Evaluate Bail Fees				CV	O	O	O					
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Develop and implement Block Watch Program – residential and business buy in/ education/ communication – training & certification program					X	X						
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Continue Embedded Social Worker Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
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Police Department (Existing Program)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Public Defender (New level of services)			X	X	X	X	X					
Install Cameras in Parks	O	O	O	O	O	O						
Collect data on court cases. Determine with Monroe Municipal Court the costs/benefits of community court model						X	X					
Identify partners to develop community court model						X	X					
Determine with Monroe Municipal Court and partners the cost/benefits of community court model						X	X					

**E. Support Services**

Coordinated Services – One Stop Shop				CV	O	X	X					
Develop scope of work with TAC	X	X	CV	CV	O	X	X					
Issue RFP			CV	CV	O	O	O					
Award RFP						O	O					
Establish Homeless HMIS/by name lists						O	O					
Work with TAC and Snohomish County to identify resources to provide housing and mental health navigators in the Sky Valley	X	X	CV	X	O	X	X					
Provide facilities and funding for non-profits	O	O	CV	X	X	X	X					
Work with Take the Next Step and Volunteers of America to designate a family resource center and/or services in Monroe			O	O	O	X	O					

**F. Policy & Budget**

Define 2021 Work Plan, Priorities, and implementation Model						O	O					
Identify performance measures, and a full HMIS utilized by service providers.						O	O					
Lobby for changes to State and Federal law	X	O	O	O								
Collaborate with Affordable Housing Consortium (AHC) on writing new						O	O					

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housing chapter for the city's comprehensive plan update.												
Continue HPAC as a standing committee	X	O	CV	CV	CV	X	X					
Implement HB1406 and explore all revenue options for housing, mental health and chemical dependency.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Identify needs			X	X	X	X	X					
Develop criteria with TAC												
Provide Rental Assistance through RFP	O	O	O	CV	CV	O	O					
Evaluate Program						O	O					