

**P.A.T.H.S Meeting**  
**November 13, 2024**  
**12:00-2:00pm Polk Community Resource Center**  
**1407 Monmouth Independence Hwy, Monmouth**

Voting Members		
Michael Cherry, Tribal Council-Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde <b>Absent</b> Lisa Leno, Tribal Council-Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde <b>Present</b>	Brian Latta, City Manager, Dallas <b>Present</b>	Jeremy Gordon, Commissioner- Polk County <b>Present</b>
Amy Houghtaling, City Council, Falls City <b>Absent</b>	Rochelle Roaden, City Manager, Monmouth <b>Absent</b>	Sarah Frost, Interim City Manager- Willamina - <b>Absent</b> Mardette Cook, Code Enforcement, Willamina <b>Absent</b>
Kathy Martin-Willis, City Council, Independence <b>Present</b>	Ashley Hamilton, Deputy Executive Director - Mid-Willamette Community Action Agency <b>Present</b>	Christy Wurster, City Manager - Monmouth <b>Absent</b> Bridget Meneley, City Manager - Willamina <b>Absent</b>
Staff Support		
Brent DeMoe, Director-Polk County Family & Community Outreach Department <b>Present</b>	Stephanie Gilbert, Program Manager- Polk County Family & Community Outreach Department <b>Present</b>	Marianne Bradshaw, Consultant <b>Absent</b> Jan Calvin, Homeless Alliance <b>Absent</b>
Ryan Pollard, Homeless Prevention and Outreach Community Coordinator - Polk County FCO <b>Present</b>	Alex Castro, Outreach Specialist- Polk County FCO <b>Present</b> Elaine Lozier, Homeless Alliance <b>Absent</b>	Jessica Blakely, Salem Housing Authority <b>Absent</b> Kristin Kuenz-Barber, Northwest Human Services <b>Absent</b>

## AGENDA

- Welcome & Introductions Commissioner Gordon
- Public Comment (if any) Commissioner Gordon
  - none
- Approval of minutes Voting Members
  - Briant Latta makes approval, Kathy Martin-Willis seconds.
- Polk Rural Homeless Updates Ryan Pollard
  - Homeless Prevention & Outreach data sharing. Some ideas/thoughts for the next data sheet: Adding a bar chart, showing new clients versus re-occurring clients, etc. Housing data numbers to come soon.
- Voting member updates Voting Members
  - City of Dallas: Carson Commons up and in construction. Another 34 unit building about to start construction. 800 multi-family units in the queue in the next 5 years - lots of which scattered across town.
  - City of Independence: Re-visiting the homeless parking area. Kade Swarsher. 5 duplexes going in from Habitat for Humanity.
  - Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency: A long-term client of 7 years being homeless was housed at Redwood Crossings. Re-structured RRH program in Polk County - Starting in October, they split the Salem office with half of them going to Polk County. Lots of the RRH funds for Polk County were for street homeless individuals - now there's

a funding stream that can assist those who are currently housed. Overall, it expands the number of people served. Purchased the Need-Navigator system and can now share access with Polk County Homeless Prevention & Outreach team.

- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde: Just completed moving in families to first ever home ownership. 20 total houses that folks bought and people living in there. In 2025, will start on infrastructure for an additional 35 homes. Building 50 additional low-income and market rate apartments. A new design for a new recreation center with a rock wall, therapeutic pool, 2 full-court gyms, skate park, football park - received a large grant which will pay for most of it - 80% paid for. A new treatment center will be opening up in February. Adding a new detox center to Great Circle located in Salem. Stratus village project - 20 new apartments available for membership. Overall, the need for housing will be decreased as all these new projects start up.
- Church at the Park Matt Smucker
  - Matt Smucker - new role with Church-at-the-Park. Streaming of “No Place to Grow Old” will be hosted on February 19th at 6pm at Rice Auditorium. Opening 2 shelter sites really soon. Currently on track to open the Dallas site in December to host 2 families at a time with 12 beds - adding an ADU building for 2 additional families in 2025. For the Monmouth site, the application for the City of Monmouth is submitted and in review. Public comment will be available as part of the process for Monmouth. Currently have 2 full-time outreach staff making connections in Rural Polk County. For Warming Center updates - will blast out updates as the temperatures drop. Go to [polkwarming.org](http://polkwarming.org) to sign-up for updates. Safe Shower - continuing at Life Church and will continue throughout the year, Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9am - 12pm.
- Homeless Alliance Team Update Commissioner Gordon
  - Elaine Lozier has decided to resign. New additional support staff have been hired by the Homeless Alliance. Some projects put forward for housing: Permanent Supportive Housing, Center for Hope & Safety, MWVCAA RRH & HOME Youth Services, and other programs will receive funding. Total ask is 5.5 million for these programs. Homeless Alliance looking to expand partnerships.
- PIT Count Updates Ryan Pollard
  - PIT Count will be happening in the last week of January. A plan has been conducted and many community partners have come together to support the efforts.
- Organization Updates All
  - Polk County ROCC: Building got put up for surplus. Will be out by January 3, 2025. Looking for a new location to be at.
  - Polk County Behavioral Health: Forensic Assertive Community Treatment (FACT), a treatment model for those experiencing extreme mental illness, is currently up and running working with 12 individuals. For aging adults, there’s a new Adult Behavioral Specialist - Laura Sloan. Crisis building still on target for Summer of 2025.
  - Polk County FCO: Falls City Resource Center - seeing about 20 people per week. Many services operate out of there and caseloads are increasing.
  - West Valley Housing Authority: Not purging the list this year.
- Adjourn

**Next Meeting February 12, 2025**