

Project PATH

4th Quarter Report, FY 22-23

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is provided in accordance with the Service Agreement between Stepping Stones Alliance and the City of Umatilla as part of the West Umatilla County partnership to provide services to our community's homeless residents through Project PATH (Practical Assistance through Transitional Housing). This report provides an update on site preparations, community outreach, strategic plan, budget, and general services. More detailed materials are available upon request which might include draft/adopted operational policies and procedures, meeting minutes of Stepping Stones Alliance, or general member policies and code of conduct. This report is intended to serve as a high level update of the services provided and the general progress we have made thus far.

PILOT PROGRAM CONTACTS

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Dan Dorran

CITY MANAGERS

Dave Stockdale, Umatilla

Byron Smith, Hermiston

Ben Burgener, Stanfield

Dave Slaght, Echo

PROJECT CONTACT

Esmeralda Perches

STEPPING STONES CONTACT

Jesalyn Cole

Sunday
Spotlight
Lilly Cooke

What Made You want to be a part of Stepping Stones Alliance?

"Stepping Stones gives me a great opportunity to gain knowledge on ways I can better serve and understand the community. It will also provide me with beneficial experience to support my future career in serving the public."

What are you most excited about working with Stepping Stones Alliance?

"I am excited to be a part of a great project, and connect with the community."

What is your favorite quote?

"Things work out best for those who make the best of how things work out."
- John Wooden



PERSONNEL

Stepping Stones hired one full time night staff employee and two seasonal college students. SS is actively seeking two full time night shift staff to replace the college student towards the end of July/August.

Stepping Stones has hired a summer intern paid by donor directed funds.

Stepping Stones is continuing to get their Human Resources training requirements established. This quarter all staff participated in Narcan and de-escalation training.

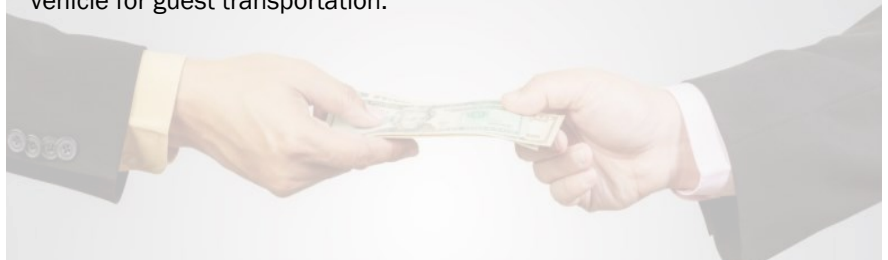
CONSTRUCTION SITE

Cultural study has been completed at sent to SHPO for comment, SHPO did not comment on the Geotech report. Ground leveling was completed. Currently we are seeking bids for fencing, electrical and septic drilling.



TRANSPORTATION

Atkinson Staffing has continued to donate the use of a company vehicle for guest transportation. Night staff drops off guest in town at 7:15am and picks up at 7:15pm. Project Path received two grants: EOCCO \$50,000 and Wildhorse \$16,000. These funds will be used for the purchase of a vehicle for guest transportation.





COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The summer intern has begun to work on media campaigns including but not limited to: board/staff spotlights, weekly grocery list, partner spotlights.

Media posts have reached over 12,000 people on Facebook and Instagram. There were a total of 52 posts this quarter.

Stepping Stones has been attending local community activities to share information.



PARTNERSHIPS

Convening was held this quarter and brought over 40 individuals from regional community organizations. This meeting was to share information, resources and how to address gaps in service. Attendees shared desire to continue an annual meeting.

AWS continues to be a huge partner; financially and with outreach.

Marlette was instrumental in completing a lot of the prep work for the ISU work days. Marlette is also designing and building two ADA ISU units.

Rural Oregon Continuum of Care has accepted our membership and toured our facilities and is looking to assist us in funding/partnership opportunities.

SERVICE REPORT UPDATE

Stepping Stones hosted a board retreat facilitated by Brenda Turner. The purpose of this retreat was to learn board roles, reviewing mission/vision and SWOT analysis work. Stepping Stones received a \$15,000 grant from Fair Housing to use toward the purchase of items to assist any guest with accommodation needs (hearing/sight/mobility/language).

STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Plan has been adopted by all communities and ready to view on all websites.

SLEEP CENTER

Numbers have decreased overall. Below is the monthly average and total. There was an average of about 5 new guests per month from guests that had never received services from us previously.

April's average was 9 guests daily with a total of 259 total guest.
May's average was 7 guests daily with a total of 217 total guest.
June's average was 6 guests daily with a total of 170 total guest.



Friday, 6/16 @ 8am-12pm
 Friday, 6/16 @ 3:30pm-7:30pm
 Saturday, 6/17 @ 8am-2pm

Contact Kire to sign-up today!
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 Umatilla Public Works Yard
 1205 3rd St. | Umatilla, OR

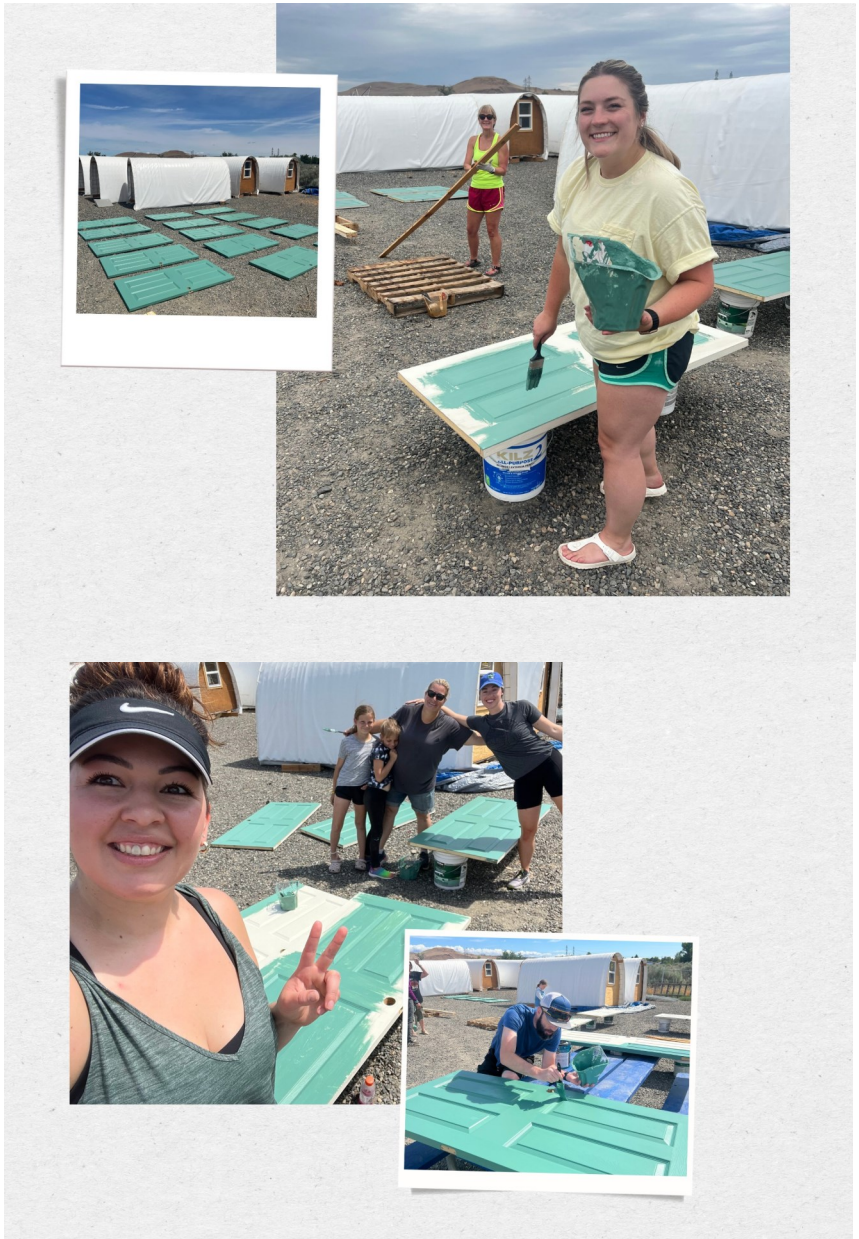
Summer intern has started a volunteer newsletter that will be sent to past and current volunteers monthly. This will be an avenue to share any updates. SS has also started a monthly appreciation item for all volunteers.

Below are total volunteer shifts:

- April: 120 Shifts
- May: 91 Shifts
- June: 60 Shifts
- Meals:
- April: 29 Meals
- May: 25 Meals
- June: 29 Meals

Individual Shelter Units

Stepping Stones has worked tirelessly in gathering volunteers to help build the ISU's. Over 200 volunteer-hours were put in to finally complete the individual shelter units. ISU's are now complete and ready for placement!



Looking Forward....

1. Applying for HUD funding.
2. Applying for HB 5109
3. Street Outreach