



Community Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 11, 2025, 11:30 - 1:00 PM

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Attendees:

EOCCO CAC Member Roll Call

Wheeler County: Elaine “Ellie” Bray, **Wallowa County:** Ted Thorne, **Union County:** Commissioner Matt Scarfo, Diana Elledge, Winnie Andrews, **Umatilla County:** Morgan Linder, **Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR):** Maurice Bronson, **Malheur County:**Rebecca Striker, **Morrow County:** Yvonne Morter, **Sherman County:** **Lake County:** Commissioner James Williams, **Harney County:** Harney County Commissioner Patty Dorroh, Jennifer Williams **Burns Paiute Tribe:** , **Grant County:** County Commissioner Mitchel Wilson, Liz Pace, Michael McManus **Gilliam County:** Chanel Kelly, Bonnie Kraxberger, Lisa Helms **Baker County:** Albert Rowley, Kristina Gueli, Chastity Anderson

EOCCO: Marci McMurphy, Lourdes Reyna, Rosalie Kelly, Britney Garcia, Norman Valdez, John Lucero, Summer Prantl, Yami Gonzalez, Alison Hecht, Cheristy Anderson, Cynthia Levesque, Hannah Briggs, Julian Gutierrez, Kali Paine, Amanda Tran, Ann Ford

Guests:

Kitia Chambers, Amy’s phone, Carina Garcia, Jasmine Grove, Karen Mathson, Kimberley Adams, Nicholas Batten, Rosa Armenta, Taylor Menendez, Thadd’s Place Dawanna

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM
Welcome - Chanel Kelly, CAC Chair		
Roll Call & Introductions - Maurice Bronson, CAC Vice Chair	<p>Lourdes Reyna to Everyone 11:33 AM Hello everyone thank you for joining, please put your name and organization in the chat.</p> <p>Morgan Linder (she/her), Umatilla County 11:33 AM Morgan Linder, Umatilla County Public Health</p> <p>Alison Hecht (she/her), EOCCO to Everyone 11:33 AM Alison Hecht, EOCCO</p> <p>Taylor Menendez (PBS) to Everyone 11:33 AM Taylor Menendez, Positive Behavior Supports</p>	

Rosalie Kelly 11:33 AM
Rose Kelly GOBHI

Amanda Tran to Everyone 11:33 AM
Amanda Tran, EOCCO

Hannah Briggs to Everyone 11:33 AM
Hannah Briggs, EOCCO

Nicholas Batten - YOUTH 360 to Everyone 11:33 AM
Nicholas Batten, YOUTH 360

Lisa Helms to Everyone 11:33 AM
Lisa Helms, South Gilliam Health Center in Condon.

Ann Ford to Everyone 11:33 AM
Ann Ford, EOCCO

Bonnie Kraxberger to Everyone 11:33 AM
Bonnie Kraxberger, Gilliam Co parent of a consumer

Mitchel Wilson Grant county commissioner to Everyone 11:33 AM
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Albert Rowley to Everyone 11:33 AM
Albert Rowley, Baker County consumer

Carina Garcia, she/her, OHSU COE to Everyone 11:33 AM
Carina Garcia, Knight Cancer Institute

Jasmine (PBS-OR)(she/her) to Everyone 11:33 AM
Jasmine Grove, Positive Behavior Supports

Patty Dorroh, Harney County to Everyone 11:33 AM
Patty Dorroh, Harney County Commissioner and Harney County Local Health Partnership Rep

Chastity Anderson to Everyone 11:33 AM
Chastity Anderson Baker County Health Department Director

Cynthia Levesque GOBHI/EOCCO to Everyone 11:33 AM
Cynthia Levesque EOCCO/GOBHI

Eliane (Ellie) to Everyone 11:33 AM
Eliane "Ellie" Bray Wheeler County LCHP, consumer

Chanel to Everyone 11:33 AM
Chanel Kelly CAC Chair Gilliam County

Kristina Gueli to Everyone 11:33 AM
Kristina Gueli community member

Kitia Chambers (she/her) YOUTH 360 to Everyone 11:33 AM
Kitia Chambers, YOUTH 360

Ted Thorne to Everyone 11:33 AM
TED THORNE - WALLOWA COUNTY VETERANS SERVICES

	<p>Liz Pace to Everyone 11:33 AM Liz Pace EOCCO Member</p> <p>Maurice Bronson X-1495 to Everyone 11:34 AM Maurice Bronson CAC Co Chair Umatilla Indian Reservation</p> <p>Jennifer to Everyone 11:34 AM Jennifer Williams, Crossroads Ranch of Harney County, HARney LCHP, Member rep</p> <p>jgutierrez_gobhi to Everyone 11:34 AM Julian Gutierrez - GOBHI</p> <p>Diana's to Everyone 11:34 AM Diana- consumer, Lchp, housing commissioner.</p>	
<p>Approval of Minutes - Maurice Bronson</p>	<p>Maurice called for the approval of the CAC meeting minutes. Ellie Bray motioned to approve the CAC meeting minutes from April 30, 2025. Diana Elledge seconded the motion. The motion passed.</p>	<p>The following Motions was made: Bray / Elledge Motion: to approve the April 30, 2025 CAC minutes</p>
<p>EOCCO Board Update - Chanel Kelly</p>	<p>Chanel Kelly spoke about attending the EOCCO Board meeting on May 16, 2025 in Baker. She presented on the Community Benefit Initiative Reinvestment (CBIR) and Supporting Health for All through REinvestment (SHARE) Funds.</p> <p>Ann Ford 11:35 AM You did a great job presenting Chanel!!</p>	
<p>SHARE Update - Hannah Briggs, EOCCO</p>	<p>Hannah presented on the SHARE - Supporting Health for All through REinvestment awardees. At the last meeting the CAC approved 16 applications that the CAC Subcommittee recommended. These then went to the EOCCO board for final approval. Nine applications were approved and funded at a cost of \$1,328,564.00. The annual LCHP budget was approved for \$732,574.00.</p>	

2025 SHARE Projects

Applicant	Project Title	Funding
Eastern Oregon University	Eastern Oregon University Prison Education Program	\$125,000
Lifeways	Transitional Housing Renovation Initiative	\$100,000
Working Homes	EM&M Fire Suppression System	\$100,000
Lake County School District #7	Gap Care	\$80,450
Morrow Discovery Center	Support Free Admission for Children and Families to Morrow Discovery Center	\$62,400
Outback Strong	Personal Hygiene Trailer	\$55,000

2025 SHARE Projects

Applicant	Project Title	Funding
North Central Education Services District	Little Explorers – Wasco Playground	\$50,000
Umatilla County Public Health Department	Pendleton Community Gardens Project	\$14,740
Community Action Program of East Central Oregon	Feeding Rural Communities in East Central Oregon to Improve Social Determinants of Health	\$8,400

Not all applications were approved. EOCCO received a record 29 applications. The CAC recommended more projects than there were funds for. EOCCO prioritized projects that aligned with the 2025-2029 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). Specifically - Environmental Health and outdoor activities, Children, Youth & Families, and Neighborhood and Built Environments. All the SHARE applicants have been notified of award status. EOCCO is contracting with the awardees. The 2025 SHARE projects will begin in October. EOCCO also worked with eligible applicants who didn't get awarded to apply for Community Capacity Building Funds (CCBF). Hannah thanked everyone who worked or helped on the SHARE project. You are appreciated!

If you have questions about grants, or opportunities email us at EOCCOGrants@eocco.com. There is also information available online at <https://www.eocco.com/providers/grants>

<p>GOBHI New Chief Behavioral Health Officer - Ann Ford</p>	<p>Ann Ford, GOBHI CEO introduced Cynthia Levesque - LPC, CDC III. Cynthia is looking forward to working with everyone. Feel free to reach out to her. clevesque@gobhi.org</p> <p>Are there training opportunities members would like to have? Please let GOBHI or Lourdes know.</p> <p>Eliane (Ellie) 11:46 AM Welcome Cynthia! I'd love to see more trainings on ACEs.</p> <p>Cynthia Levesque GOBHI/EOCCO 11:46 AM clevesque@gobhi.org 541-209-0586</p>	
<p>Youth 360 Project - Kitia Chambers & Nicholas Batten</p>	<p>Kitia Chambers and Nicholas Batten are the executive directors and founders of Youth 360 and run the 906 Youth Center. When they realized that there wasn't a lot of support for youth to grow, learn and thrive. They created goals to empower youth using four pillars of support:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Health/Housing. 2. Education. 3. Employment. 4. Community. <p>Health includes financial assistance, resource navigation and case management. They want to meet the physiological needs like food, water, and sleep, along with the safety of having a home. Every youth deserves to have love and belonging in their lives. Youth 360 helps them achieve deeper and more meaningful relationships. This creates self esteem when youth acquire the skills needed. The final aspect is for youth to reach their highest potential. They provide rental assistance, help youth navigate systems and case management for each individual.</p> <p>The Education portion has school support hours, an education success program, and a personalized path for the youth.</p> <p>For the Employment goal Youth 360 works with local businesses to connect youth and give them job experience. Here too they provide financial assistance, resource navigation help, case management and have a job and work readiness program that youth can participate in before they go out into the workforce.</p> <p>The last pillar is community. Youth 360 has a mentor program, a family support program and youth peers that work with new youth. There is a whole host of community partners that they work with and who provide resources.</p> <p>Of the youth who have gone through the job readiness program, 10 of the 12 have found work outside of the organization (2 didn't want to work).</p> <p>Teen action board - they wrote a grant this year and got money to hold a community party. In the fall they are planning on having teachers and city managers come for a walk through the center.</p> <p>In 2025 there were 250 youth visits a month, 122 youth members and a total of 2,137 youth visits. The 906 Cafe served an estimated 2,600 meals to youth and their families.</p>	

	<p>For the future: There is a disconnect in the way that youth experience homelessness and how the data is being captured. Some youth weren't reporting or didn't count themselves as homeless if they were living in a car or couch surfing. So they expanded the conversation by increasing housing support. The Housing Insecurity HUB - would like to create locations for 13 -24 age where youth with housing insecurity can go or the community can send them without judgment and totally accepting the youth. The youth helped create an intake form which includes housing, school, education, health, do you feel safe, go to the doctor, brush your teeth etc. Long term youth 360 would like to run a transitional living facility in La Grande. Increase JWR (job and work readiness) and provide them a transition to work at a job where they understand the youth are learning. With the goal they will then go on to full time work. They have applied for funding to increase participation for the support recovery school. Sustainability - how do we keep the project alive and growing? Build community - this work takes a village to pull it off, and they will need to build partnerships with the community. Contact info: Kitia Chambers - kitia@eoyouth360.org Nicolas Batten - nicholas@eoyouth360.org unioncountyfamilysupport.com/youth-360</p> <p>Youth 360 is looking for funding. They applied but didn't get the SHARE award this year that helped out with rent last year. If anyone has funding please reach out.</p> <p>Rebecca Striker with Malheur County. Asked a question regarding community orchard. Kitia loved the idea of creating a healthy partnership. They also partner with the warming station. Hoping OYCC Oregon Youth Conservation Corps will assist with the orchard work picking up fallen fruit etc.</p> <p>Eliane (Ellie) 11:57 AM Kitia and Nicholas, this exciting information. It's encouraging to see our youth being pulled into community health action!</p> <p>Jennifer 12:07 PM Kitia and Nicholas, good job, I love what you're doing!</p>	
<p>Incentive Measure Update - Alison Hechts, EOCCO</p>	<p>Alison presented and gave an update on the CCO Incentive Measure program. The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has a committee that selects the measures and targets each year to see how well Coordinated Care Organization (CCOs) are doing. The CCOs are awarded quality pool funds based on their annual performance on the measures. EOCCO uses the funds for quality bonus payments to providers, enhanced Patient-Centered Primary Care Home Program (PCPCH) payments, and Community Benefit Initiative Reinvestment (CBIR) grants. The presentation included the goals and how EOCCO is doing compared to 2024. The data presented is captured through insurance claims through the end of April.</p> <p>There are some \$75-\$50 Amazon gift cards available for some of the</p>	

child incentives.
Comments and questions:

Eliane (Ellie) 12:23 PM

I'm with Patty! Given that EOCCO's Incentive Measure Program provides individual rewards for completing key health activities, I'd love to explore how this could be expanded in a senior-friendly way. For example, incentives for things like fall risk screenings, nutrition education, vision and hearing checks, or even attending a community event could have a powerful impact—especially for older adults living on a fixed income. These small steps support independence and quality of life, and help prevent higher-cost interventions down the line.

If the immunizations are given at the doctors office, does it still count?

Yes, the doctors office will report the immunizations to the state, we request the data, and they will count.

A question regarding vaccines and what the plan from the State is going to be using with the federal changes.

Yami Gonzalez, OHA 12:35 PM

Great question--I am happy to take that back

Yami Gonzalez, OHA 12:35 PM

Lots of federal changes being monitored

Fire Tablet to Everyone 12:39 PM

Thanks yami, I figured you might be informed of new info coming 😊

Alison highlighted one of the programs, the Diabetes Management program through Teladoc Health. This program is offered free to EOCCO members ages 18 years and older with type 1 or type 2 diabetes. You can register by calling 1-800-835-2362 using the registration code EOCCO. Or you can enroll on the website TeladocHealth.com/Register/EOCCO. You will get a blood glucose meter, unlimited test strips and lancets, and if you would like it, you can opt-in for personalized health coaching.

Mail Order Pharmacy through Costco and Postal Prescription Services (PPS). EOCCO members have access to mail-order pharmacy service through either Costco or PPS, where you can have your medication delivered directly to their homes. With pharmacies closing, this can be a way to get your prescriptions easily. To enrol contact EOCCO Pharmacy Customer Service at 888-474-8539.

If you are traveling you can find an in-network pharmacy using the [Navitus Member Portal](#).

Bonnie Kraxberger 12:40 PM

A note for you to take back to your team- For midlife incentives, I would value incentives to reduce c-section rates, increase v-bacs, see lactation consultants after

	discharge, and receive mammogram screenings.	
2025 Peer Conference - Cheristy Anderson, GOBHI	<p>Cheristy Anderson is the Traditional Health Worker Liaison with GOBHI. She works to support EOCCO peers. Last year, GOBHI started the Eastern Oregon Peer Workforce Conference in La Grande at EOU. They set the capacity at 100 peers and reached it. This year the conference has been renamed the Oregon Peer Workforce Conference and is being held in Pendleton at the Pendleton Convention Center on August 21 and 22. The capacity is set at 300. The conference is a place for peers working in behavioral health in Eastern Oregon and across the state to connect, learn, and grow together. The cost is \$175. This includes two lunches, one dinner, and two breakfasts. There will be two days of presentations and training sessions centered around the theme of Resilience, Perseverance, and Integrity. Cheristy is working to have something for all the peer worker specialty types. This will help peers use their lived experience to support their clients. She has speakers lined up but is looking for Native American and veteran peers to present. Some of the presentations include Overcoming Imposter Syndrome in Peer Recovery Work, Connection is the Future: Leading with Integrity in a Disconnected World, Motivational Interviewing, Challenges of Caring, Professional Resilience and many more. The conference is open to peers and anyone who works alongside peers or has interest in what they do. Including clinical teams. Peers provide non-clinical services in concert with the clinical teams.</p> <p>Cheristy Anderson, THW Liaison - GOBHI/EOCCO 12:44 PM 2025 Oregon Peer Workforce Conference, August 21 - 22 in Pendleton https://www.gobhi.org/peer-conference canderson@gobhi.org eopeerconference@gobhi.org</p> <p>Norman Valdez (EOCCO) 12:52 PM If you are interested in tabling the Peer Conference event, you can reach out to myself as well for more information. nvaldez@gobhi.org</p>	
OHA Updates - Yami Gonzalez, OHA	<p>Yami gave updates on what may be coming from the Federal Bill in congress. Many of the proposed policies are still being discussed. Some will require more requirements from members. Once the final decisions are made OHA will give updates. Any concerns or questions please reach out to Yami: yamileth.gonzalez-perez@oha.oregon.gov</p>	
CAC Member Comment & Feedback - Maurice Bronson	<p>Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) benefits - comment that when a member's medical need requires medical treatment outside of the service area, the SDOH doesn't follow them. It creates fragmented support when people are the most vulnerable. Love to have some conversations on how we can fix this.</p> <p>Yvonne Morter Morrow Co Public Health 12:59 PM It was brought up last week at our LCHiP meeting in Morrow Co about the lack of dental care. People are utilizing ER as a Band-Aid for dental problems.</p>	

	Getting into treatment for mental health has been difficult. Dental treatment is getting hard to get as dentist offices close in rural areas.	
Public Comment - Maurice Bronson	None	
Next Meeting	August 13, 2025	
Adjourn	The meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m. Meeting minutes submitted by Rose Kelly	

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