May 22, 2013

Cowlitz County Coalition Meeting:

Frank Morrison Presided.

There will be a free training on June 4th at the Cap Building starting at 1:30 PM

The premise of the training is learning to help those with Trauma issues. Traumas such as child abuse, sexual abuse, and anger issues.

Michael Torres gave a presentation of the grants that are available to help those who need housing.

The grants include:

HPRR/CHG

EFH

ESG

HEN

These grants help people who are at risk of becoming homeless. The goal is to help them find a permanent home, the help is short to medium term.

AMI- a scale to figure out the income levels to see if they qualify for assistance for each city

HPRR/CHG-

Helps those who are facing eviction, homelessness, or are in temporary situations

Income eligibility- 50% with children and 30% without

The assistance includes help with utility shut offs, rent (all or partial) utility deposits, moving costs, and credit checks

With CHG- you are allowed 24 months of help, with HPRR only 18 months.

The money goes to the landlord, in which the program communicates openly with about the program.

EFH:

Provides rent assistance or motel/hotel stay for up to 30 days.

6 months of assistance with a possibility of another 6 months.

Case management with wrap around services is provided also.

ESG-

For people who are facing eviction or couch surfing or who have moved 2 or more times in the last 60 days

AMI is 30%

HEN: DSHS care services, who are long term disabled and who cannot work for a year or more and who are at risk for homeless

The program includes: rental and utility, move in costs. You get it as long as you are eligible or if funding is available.

\$197 per household for essential needs such as toiletries, bus passes, and cleaning supplies will be provided.

Not for ABD or PWA