

# Home Again

*A 10-year plan to end homelessness in  
Portland and Multnomah County*

## Coordinating Committee to End Homelessness (CCEH)

First United Methodist Church

1838 SW Jefferson, Portland OR, Room 202

Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013

<b>1. Introductions / Review of Minutes</b> (Shannon Singleton, CCEH Co-Chair) <b>Announcement of new CCEH Co-Chair, Stacy Borke</b>	3:00-3:15
<b>2. Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CHATpdx – Vanessa La Torre, Cascade AIDS Project</li><li>• CCEH Racial Equity Training – Thursday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 8:30am-12:30</li><li>• One-night homeless count – Street, Shelter, turn away counts</li></ul>	3:15-3:35
<b>3. Housing First in Action</b> <p><i>Housing First</i> is an approach that provides people experiencing homelessness with housing quickly and then links to services as needed. While some programs require clients to commit to addictions/mental health treatment before being considered "housing ready," a <i>Housing First</i> approach connects people with housing and then combines that housing with supportive services in the areas of mental and physical health, substance abuse, education and employment. Typically, housing is provided in apartments scattered throughout a community.</p> <p>Dr. Sam Tsemberis has led New York's much-studied <a href="#">Pathways to Housing</a> in this work since the 1990's. Their "scattered site" model fosters a sense of home and self-determination, and helps speed the reintegration of clients into the community.</p> <p>Join this discussion exploring <i>Housing First</i> in our local housing community. Panelists will discuss how effective components of the approach are applied in each of their programs serving different populations of people experiencing homelessness. Panelists include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lynn Smith-Stott, Central City Concern – Community Engagement Program (CEP)</li><li>• Mike Boyd, HUD - VASH (Veteran's Administration Supportive Housing) Program</li><li>• Rachael Duke, Home Forward - Apartments at Bud Clark Commons</li><li>• Bill Boyd, JOIN – Housing and Retention</li></ul>	3:35-4:30
<b>4. City of Portland FY13-14 Budget Update</b> (Traci Manning, Portland Housing Bureau)	4:30-4:45
<b>5. Community Announcements</b>	4:45-5:00
Next CCEH Meeting: Wednesday, March 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2013 3:00-5:00pm First United Methodist Church 1838 SW Jefferson, Portland OR, Room 202 For more information, contact Jennifer Chang at (503) 823-2391 or <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Chang@portlandoregon.gov">Jennifer.Chang@portlandoregon.gov</a>	