



**Benton
County**



Home, Opportunity, Planning, and Equity (HOPE)

Executive Committee Meeting

Approved Minutes

November 12, 2025 from 4 pm to 5 pm

Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Dina Eldridge (Community Action Agency Director Designee); Jessica Andrade (Philomath City Councilor); Nancy Wyse (Benton County Commissioner); Rachel McEneny (County Administrator); Chris Workman (Philomath City Manager)

Excused: Jim Moorefield (Corvallis City Councilor); Mark Shepard (Corvallis City Manager);

Absent: None

Staff Present: Brigetta Olson (Housing and Neighborhood Services Manager, City of Corvallis) serving as proxy for Mark Shephard; April Holland (Benton County Health Department Director); Rebecca Taylor (CHRO Program Manager).

**Community
Members:** None

I. Welcome and Introductions. Meeting agenda overview.

II. Public Comment: none.

III. Approval of prior meeting minutes and other business.

- a. Nancy moves to approve September 10, 2025 Executive Committee meeting minutes, Rachel seconds. Vote via thumbs up or audible yay/nay. Approved.

IV. HOPE Board Bylaws Updates for Structure and Membership

- a. Newest updates from county counsel and requested by county commissioners:

- i. Membership numbers and descriptions more descriptive.
 - ii. Chair/Co-chair

- b. Discussion questions from any HOPE Members?

- i. Some wordsmithing needed for local government entities being able to recommend which elected official they would like to have serve.
 - ii. Discussion of term of office, but no changes needed.

- c. Need Motion to recommend to BOC the updating of the HOPE Board with revised Bylaws with permission for CHRO staff to make grammatical edits if needed.

- i. **Motion:** Councilor ANDRADE
 - ii. **Second:** Chris
 - iii. **Passed:** ALL IN FAVOR.

V. Coordinated Homeless Response Round Table Updates

- a. State Legislative Emergency Board request from CHRO for sustainable shelter funding
 - i. Review and approve letter of support from HOPE Board organizations as CHRO partners.
 - ii. Motion to approve this letter of support with individual signatures from all HOPE Members. Nancy moves to approve, and Rachel seconds. Motion approved.
 - iii. CHRO staff to follow up within a few days to request signatures and finalize letter.
- b. Statewide Shelter Program (SSP) update
 - i. CHRO going forward with submitting application to be the Benton County "regional" lead – just to serve in this capacity for Benton County. Application is due November 25, 2025.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:01pm