

## *Columbia County Community Advisory Council (CAC) Summary*

*Monday, October 5, 2020, 3:30-4:30PM*

### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

Chair opened the meeting at 3:41PM- September minutes were approved, and guests welcomed.

**Habitat for Humanity:** Habitat for Humanity main goals are helping families build strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter. Construction cost is also brought down by generous donor and building experts who volunteers their time to guide the construction process. Families will have to perform 400 hours of sweat equity, they work alongside volunteers to help build their home. 50% of the labor can be donated by friends and family. Current projects are two attached town homes in St Helens, will be finished in about 6 weeks. Next project will be behind the current project and have already selected families (3-bedroom home).

### **Regional Coordinator for Dual Diagnosis (DDA):**

A peer-led organization that uses a 12-step model (with a twist), have additional 5 steps that focus on having a dual diagnosis of mental health diagnosis; 100% of the employees are folks with lived experience they been in recovery for two year. It's a 12-step program with additional components to address mental health, and is compatible with a variety of programs, including faith based, secular, harm reduction, etc. [www.ddainc.org](http://www.ddainc.org).

**Innovator Agent (IA) Update:** provided COVID update, we passed the 1 million death mark globally, over 200,00 in US and 563 in Oregon as of 8/5. Columbia County numbers are 191 COVID cases. Increasing cases are likely connected to Labor Day holiday gatherings. During the week of September 21st- 27th, 37% of all Oregon COVID-19 cases were in individuals 20-29 age group, seen big increases lately in counties that have universities. 48% of Oregon's COVID-19 half of the deaths have occurred in individuals who are 80 years of age or older.

**Community Updates:** CHS is currently providing flu shots by appointment only in Rainier and Saint Helens clinics 5 days per week. Scheduling a couple of drive-through flu vaccine clinics and hope to vaccinate about 500.

**Next meeting:** Next meeting November 2, 2020

**Location** Virtual

Meeting adjourned at 4:39.