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December Agenda

Welcome/Sign in the chat

Group Agreements

Presentation Habitat for Humanity

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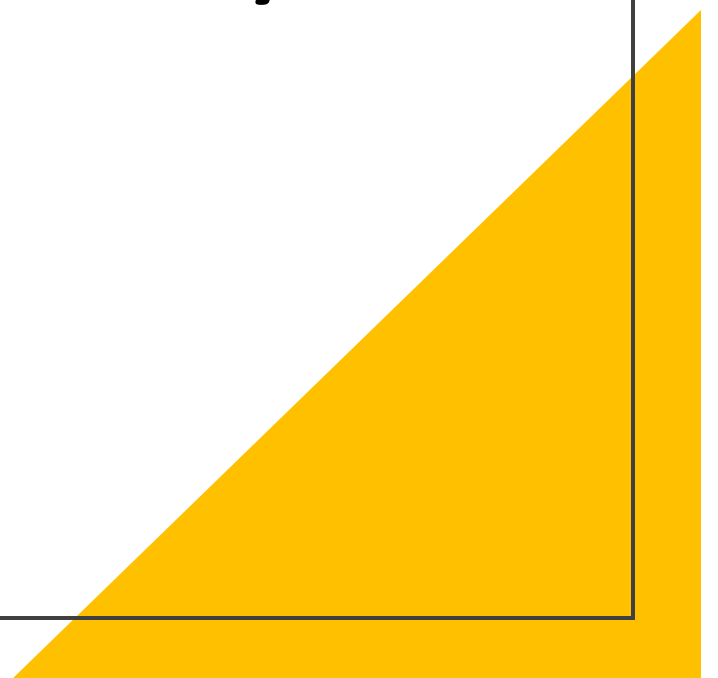
Housing Updates

Group Agreements

- **Speak your truth:** Say what is in your heart, trusting that your voice will be heard, and your contribution respected. Be aware that the impact of your words on others may be very different from your intent.
- **When things get difficult, turn to wonder:** If you find yourself disagreeing with another, becoming judgmental, or experiencing challenging emotions, try turning to wonder: "I wonder what she is thinking?" "I wonder what brought him to this place?" "I wonder what they are feeling right now?" "I wonder what my reaction teaches me about myself."
- **Identify assumptions and suspend judgment:** Our assumptions and judgments are usually invisible to us, yet they undergird our worldview. By identifying our assumptions, we can then set them aside and open our viewpoints to greater possibilities.

Habitat for Humanity Presentation

Mary Ayers



CoC Updates



CoC Updates

UWSCMI is closed from December 23 – January 2nd

2026 Point in Time Count is Thursday January 22nd from 6-12:30am. Registration is open: [2026 PIT Count Volunteer Registration – Fill out form](#)

Plan to End Homelessness Update – Picking up in January with a review of the initial draft for feedback; incorporating federal changes into the plan

FY25 HUD CoC NOFO changes (Released Nov. 13th – due January 14th)

Major Programmatic Changes in the FY2025 NOFO

1. Cap on Permanent Housing (30% Limit)

- Only 30% of a CoC's funding can support permanent housing (PSH, RRH, and Joint TH-RRH)
- Previous NOFOs protected approximately 90% of renewal funding in Tier 1
- The new NOFO reduces Tier 1 protection to only 30%, making 70% of funding competitive
- CoCs must reallocate funding to transitional housing and street outreach regardless of demonstrated outcomes

FY25 HUD CoC NOFO changes

2. Treatment-First Requirements

- Alignment with Executive Order 14321 "Ending Crime and Disorder on America's Streets" is now a scoring priority
- CoCs must prioritize projects with on-site behavioral health treatment and "participation requirements"
- Service participation requirements are now factored into local ranking and scoring
- The NOFO emphasizes transitional housing as a pathway to "self-sufficiency"
- This reverses two decades of evidence-based Housing First policy

FY25 HUD CoC Competition changes

3. "Public Safety" and Law Enforcement Cooperation

- CoCs must demonstrate cooperation with law enforcement as a major scoring factor
- Scoring favors communities with laws prohibiting camping and public drug use
- HUD cites the Supreme Court decision in *Grants Pass v. Johnson* as justification
- CoCs must show enforcement protocols and "use of involuntary" interventions

4. Prohibited Activities and "Risk Review" Provisions

HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject applications if the project applicant has previously or currently:

- **Utilized harm reduction practices** (such as safe injection sites or similar services)
- **Facilitated or promoted racial preferences** (potentially including equity-focused policies)
- Conducted activities that rely on or use **"a definition of sex other than as binary in humans"**

FY 25 HUD CoC Updates

FY25 HUD CoC Competition update: HUD rescinded the NOFO December 8th. Multiple court cases were filed. HUD to provide updates to court 12/19..

Local Competition paused: Letters of Interest are due Friday December 19th at 4pm

Working with local partners to address temporary gaps in funding

When the new NOFO is released, a new competition will take place.

Obligation deadline is September 2027

MCAH has worked with MSHDA & MDHHS to measure the potential short-term and long-term funding gaps that the CoC NOFO may create to inform the ED of MSHDA and Governors office.

Anticipated funding gap between January – June for Michigan will be \$12,500,000

Winter Shelter Update

Temporary Warming Shelter (12/1 through 3/31)

Ministry with Community – Singles (daily)

Dignity in Motion – Community Members requiring medical respite

HRI – Shelter Coordination (Monday – Friday 8:30-4pm)

*To access temporary warming shelter' contact HRI Monday – Friday 8:30am 269-382-0287 x 1. Check their FaceBook page for updates

Other Warming Centers:

Westminster Presbyterian 1515 Helen Ave. Portage, MI

10am-2pm Tuesdays and Thursdays; closed Christmas Day

Portage Zhang Senior Center 203 E. Center

Monday/Friday - 7:45am-5pm

Tuesday-Thursday – 7am-7:30pm

Sunday – 2pm-5pm

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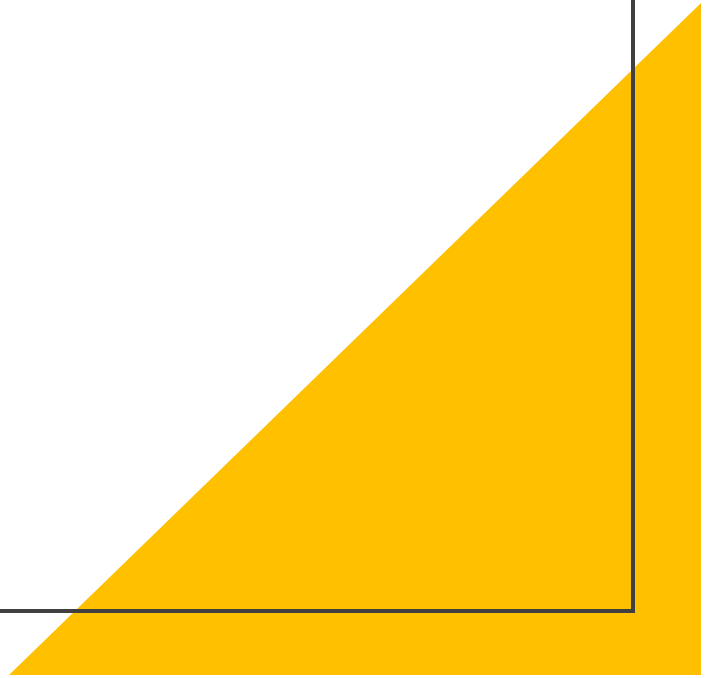
Upcoming Events & Happenings

If you have an event, happening or resources that you would like to share

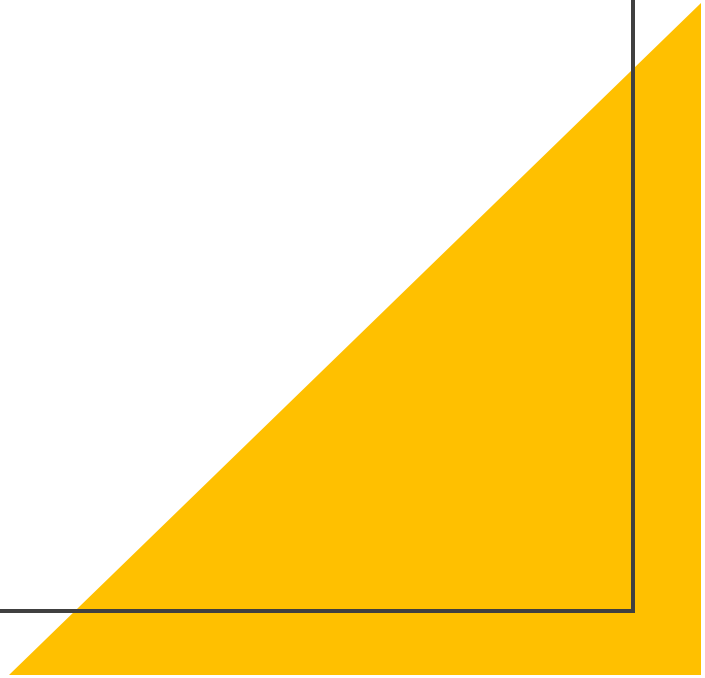
Send an email to coc@uwscmi.org with a copy of the flyer and/or the details



Service Provider Updates



Housing Provider Updates



**Thank you for your
partnership.
Next meeting: Tuesday
February 17th, 1pm**

