Logistics

- All participants can unmute
- You can share your camera
- Questions can be asked throughout the training
- The PowerPoint will be sent out after each training
- Breakout rooms
- Polls/ quizzes
- Handouts/ Materials
- Audio/video issues
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Community of Practice Norms

1. Treat each other with dignity and respect.
2. Differentiate between opinion—which everyone has—and informed knowledge, which comes from sustained experience, study, and practice.
3. Recognize how your social positionality (e.g., race, class, gender, sexuality, ability) informs your perspectives and reactions.
4. Trust each other. Have confidence that the issues discussed will be kept in confidence.
5. Listen first to understand, and don’t be dismissive of the input received when we listen.
6. Be vulnerable and risk being wrong sometimes. Thoughtful discussion is expected.
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Introductions

In Breakout Rooms, please share and discuss:

• Your name & pronouns
• Your organization & role
• What’s something you could use some advice on in your world right now (personal or professional)?

Take notes and be prepared to report out to the group!
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Shared Challenges: Collaboration

What we heard in the last session:

- “Finding partners.”
- “Working with vendors like landlords.”
Shared Challenges: Increasing Affordable Housing

**What we heard in the last session:**

- “Housing is scarce, clients have a lot of barriers.”

- “Lack of affordable housing. Unprecedented. Can’t afford units. Client choice (wanting a house) leading to expired vouchers. Poor quality of housing.”

- “Affordable housing.”
Shared Challenges: Youth Engagement

*What we heard in the last session:*

- “Helping assist youth.”
- “Youth engagement.”
Discussion: Collaboration

In Breakout Rooms

• How would you describe your teams collaboration style? *(share to learn, listen to understand)*

• What has been your biggest challenge in identifying community partners?

• What have been some of your favorite experiences working with partners?

Take notes and be prepared to report out to the group!
Discussion: Increasing Affordable Housing

*share to learn, listen to understand*

In Breakout Rooms

- What is/could be your organization’s role when it comes to increasing affordable housing?
- What creative actions have you taken in the current rental market to support young people in accessing housing?
- What partnerships could be formed to make community resources more accessible?

Take notes and be prepared to report out to the group!
Discussion: Youth Engagement

share to learn, listen to understand
In Breakout Rooms

• What unique services/accommodations does your organization offer for youth?
• How would you describe your organization’s reputation among youth in your community? (street cred.)
• How can your organization build trust among youth in your community?

Take notes and be prepared to report out to the group!
What key take aways do you have to share from your discussion?
Best Practices: Collaboration

7 Agreements of Being an Effective Collaborator:

- Internal Agreements
  - Agree to listen – not just hear, but listen with an open mind
  - Agree to learn – we don’t have all the answers
  - Agree to value what others bring to the table

- External Agreements
  - Agree to not be competitive – instead agree to be collaborative
  - Agree to be fully present
  - Agree to be at the table for the right reasons
  - Agree to come to the table to use time in a productive way – keeping the balance between process and accomplishment
Resources: Collaboration

- Episode 10: Learn to be the Best at Collaboration by Making Seven Agreements (podcast)
- HUD Mainstream System Coordination
- NN4Y Cross System Collaboration
- Best Practice in Interagency Collaboration Brief Series: Housing and Education Collaborations to Serve Homeless Children, Youth, and Families
- Collaboration Works: Examples of Homeless Programs, CoCs, School Systems, and other Education Service Providers working together
- The Benefits of Housing and Education Cross-Systems Collaboration
- Preventing and Ending Youth Homelessness: A Coordinated Community Response
Report Out: Increasing Affordable Housing

What key take aways do you have to share from your discussion?
Best Practices: Increasing Affordable Housing

• Engaging with Landlords
  • Focus on mutual benefits
  • Educate and build awareness
  • Maintain communication

• Assess Barriers
  • Tenant screening barriers
  • Housing retention barriers

• Finding Units
  • Outreach to existing contacts
  • Network with landlord/neighborhood associations
  • Leverage incentives and utilize marketing
Resources: Increasing Affordable Housing

- Supporting Households through the Housing Search Process
- Landlord Marketing, Outreach, and Retention
- COVID-19 Homeless System Response: Landlord Engagement
- COVID-19 Homeless System Response: Leveraging ESF-CV Landlord Financial Incentives to Expedite Engagement
- Rapid Rehousing Roundtable Discussion Series: Landlord Engagement and Unit Acquisition
- HCV Landlord Symposium Toolkit
- HCV Landlord Resources
Report Out: Youth Engagement

What key take aways do you have to share from your discussion?
“Engagement is not about what [products and services] we have to offer, what’s in our backpack, or even the fliers that we have to hand out, it’s really about connecting with the young person.” -clinician

- Trust
- Safety
- Respect
- Boundaries
- Power
- Cultural Humility

When possible tie these strategies to the 4 core outcomes to ending youth homelessness. Safe-stable housing, social-emotional well being, permanent connections, job training & education

National Health Care for the Homeless Engaging Youth Experiencing Homelessness Core Practices and Services
Resources: Youth Engagement

- Homless Hub: Engaging Youth
- The Research Shop: Engaging Rural Youth
- School House Connection: Engaging Students & Part 2
- Science Direct: Youth Engagement (book)
- Annie E, Casey A Framework For Effectively Partnering With Young People
- Ending Youth Homelessness: Building Blocks of a Youth System Webinar
- Journal of Youth Development COVID-19 Homeless System Response: Paying People with Lived Experience and Expertise
- Youth Compensation Challenges and Solutions
- Guide to Authentic Youth Leadership and Collaboration
- True Colors – Youth Collaboration Toolkit
- A Way Home America – Youth Collaboration Toolkit
- Youth Collaboration 201 Roadmap
- Youth Engagement Toolkit
- Youth Leadership Toolkit
- Youth Collaboration Tools and Tips
- Foster Club Youth Leadership Toolkit
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Next Steps

Challenges discussed to date:

• Data Collection
• Partner Collaboration
• Sustainability
• Youth engagement
• Mastering community resources

What’s next? Where do we want to go from here?
Check-Out

- What do you want to discuss in the next Community of Practice session?
  - Share in the poll
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Feedback

We invite you to provide anonymous feedback about community of practice.
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Resources

- Community of Practice Shared Folder
- Community of Practice Calendar
- Community of Practice Anonymous Feedback Form
- ODH Youth Homelessness Program Website