



FOUNDATIONS

A. COLLABORATE ACROSS ALL LEVELS

Partner with Organizations

- Foster communication and break down silos to better serve clients, i.e. By-Name case conferencing
- Position PATHS to be effective i.e. Form work groups, add a voting member with lived experience, update this plan

Engage Community Members

- Provide information about homelessness to reduce stigma and myths, i.e. PATHS website, video project with youth/young adults who have lived experience, meetings

B. USE DATA & EVIDENCE TO MAKE DECISIONS

- Split Marion/Polk regional reports to show break-outs for rural Polk County
- Include data from more rural Polk County services and programs in regional reports
- Integrate data sources (align on definitions, identify overlap between data sources)
- Develop a data analysis plan with an equity lens to show race/ethnicity, LGBTQIA+ identities, and geographic location

C. ELEVATE EQUITY

- Identify barriers for equity in terms of race/ethnicity, LGBTQIA+, and geographic location
- Develop plans to decrease those barriers
- Elevate voices of lived experience

SOLUTIONS

1. PREVENT HOMELESSNESS

Increase Holistic Prevention

- Streamline access to a variety of services by opening the new Resource Center in Monmouth
- Increase availability and access to programs that foster self-sufficiency such as food, employment supports, housing choice vouchers

Resolve Imminent Risk – Prevent homelessness for 120 households in 2023 facing eviction and plan for 100 per year 2024-2027 (as needed per annual review)

- Administer funded programs to prevent homelessness for households with an eviction notice (or an impending one)
- Communicate with landlords and help solve problems to decrease evictions i.e. Hold monthly landlord meetings
- Secure funding for future years to offer assistance for rent, utilities, repairs, barrier removal

2. IMPROVE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE HOMELESS RESPONSE SYSTEM ACROSS THE HOUSING CONTINUUM

Increase Outreach and access to services

- More outreach with more coordination for more impact. i.e. Monthly outreach meeting with a commitment to geographic coverage.
- Develop a plan for a safe place unsheltered can sleep

Meet the need for Transitional Housing: Open 80 new beds in 2023, and plan for 50 per year 2024-2027 (as needed per annual review)

- Stand up transitional housing to serve specific populations such as tribal members, families, youth, adults 18+, justice-involved individuals, young adults, veterans, seniors
- Stand up transitional housing with equity (race/ethnicity, LGBTQIA+, geography)

Meet the need for Rapid Rehousing: House 75 households in 2023 and plan for 50 per year 2024-2027 (as needed per annual review)

- Support the Emergency Order funded projects in 2023
- Pursue funding for projects 2024-2027
- Build landlord relationships to foster communication
- Provide wrap-around services and supports that correlate with successful exits from homelessness

3. INCREASE THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Open 100 new affordable housing units by end of 2027. Have an additional 100 units of affordable housing in the pipeline by end of 2027.

- Each PATHS community is engaged in short-term and long-term efforts to decrease barriers to increase affordable housing
- Work with partner who are adding affordable housing in rural Polk County
- Seek to add Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in rural Polk County
- Explore cottage clusters
- Coordinate rural regional efforts with legislative initiatives