

COASTAL SUPPORT SERVICES PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH WINTER SHELTER

To serve all of Lincoln County

OVERVIEW

A reoccurring issue every Winter Season is the lack of an efficient shelter to protect our “houseless” population from the threat of Hypothermia.

Hypothermia: is a medical emergency that occurs when your body loses heat faster than it can produce heat, causing a dangerously low body temperature. Normal body temperature is around 98.6 F (37 C). Hypothermia occurs as your body temperature falls below 95 F (35 C). When your body temperature drops, your heart, nervous system and other organs can't work normally. **Left untreated, hypothermia can lead to complete failure of your heart and respiratory system and eventually to death. Hypothermia is often caused by exposure to cold weather or immersion in cold water. Primary treatments for hypothermia are methods to warm the body back to a normal temperature.** (SOURCE: www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/hypothermia/symptoms-causes)

Warming Shelters or Motel voucher programs are based on temperature triggers, both of which only protect people from Hypothermia part of the time.

OUR PROPOSAL

I, Amanda Cherryholmes, under the umbrella of Coastal Support Services am willing and eager to take on the leadership role of ensuring the establishment of a permanent facility for an annual Winter shelter open for a solid 4 months in every year. The idea is that Lincoln County would provide the space / facility / building etc and costs associated with maintaining the facility as well as the funding for Lincoln County Transit to provide a special route during the dates the Winter shelter is open to ensure all “houseless” individuals in need of shelter are able to get there. The other side of the idea is that all the Cities in Lincoln County would pledge a certain dollar amount for Operation costs to run a solid Winter Shelter. Lincoln County would be the fiscal agent for receiving the funds, and then would contract with a non-profit to run the Winter Shelter program. This creates a revolving program with a guaranteed revenue stream to pay for ongoing Operational costs.

Execution Strategy

A three-piece project with cooperation from County government, City government and agencies. Recently, Lincoln County passed matching funds with multiple city entities to give non-profits the ability to run a motel voucher program for the Winter Season. Having government entities with the willingness to cooperate on this level opens possibilities to have cooperation between County and City entities on a long-term basis.

In order for this strategy to be successful, the following elements would have to be in place

- Lincoln County would agree to provide the space / building / lot for the Winter shelter as well as provide the funding for a special bus route to reach all cities in the county for “houseless” individuals.
- Every individual City in Lincoln County would agree to a monetary amount to be used specifically for ongoing Operational Costs to run a Winter Shelter.

- Samaritan Hospitals would agree to a monetary amount to be used specifically for ongoing Operational Costs to run Winter shelter.

Project Deliverables

Following is a complete list of all project deliverables:

Deliverable	Description
Deliverable #1	Establish Permanent location on County property for seasonal Winter Shelter on an annual basis / Establish account for receiving funds from cities for Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #2	Permanent transportation program through Lincoln County Transit that functions on an annual basis for transporting “houseless” individuals to Winter Shelter
Deliverable #3	Establish partnership and cooperation between Coastal Support Services and agency developing Lincoln County’s 5-year strategic plan
Deliverable #4	Establish partnership and cooperation with Lincoln County Administration to develop MOU between Lincoln County and cities in Lincoln County for the purpose of operation costs for the Winter shelter
Deliverable #5	Signed MOU with City of Lincoln City to establish funds given to Lincoln County on an annual basis to support seasonal Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #6	Signed MOU with City of Depoe Bay to establish funds given to Lincoln County on an annual basis to support seasonal Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #7	Signed MOU with City of Newport to establish funds given to Lincoln County on an annual basis to support seasonal Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #8	Signed MOU with City of Toledo to establish funds given to Lincoln County on an annual basis to support seasonal Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #9	Signed MOU with City of Siletz to establish funds given to Lincoln County on an annual basis to support seasonal Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #10	Signed MOU with City of Waldport to establish funds given to Lincoln County on an annual basis to support seasonal Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #11	Signed MOU with City of Yachats to establish funds given to Lincoln County on an annual basis to support seasonal Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #12	Signed MOU with Samaritan Hospitals to establish funds given to Lincoln County on an annual basis to support seasonal Winter shelter operation costs
Deliverable #13	Establish foundational permanent rules / security system for facility/ space

Timeline for Execution

Key project dates are outlined below. Dates are best-guess estimates and are subject to change until a contract is executed.

Project (Description)	Start Date	End Date	Duration
Research, Prepare, Produce and Present to Lincoln County and all cities in Lincoln County proposal for permanent Winter shelter asking for cities/ agencies to agree to pledge amount	12/12/2022	9/1/2023	9 months
Establish working partnership with contracted agency developing 5-year strategic plan for HB4123 and work closely with agency to ensure efficiency in project carryout	12/12/2022	12/13/2023	Whole Term
Partner with County Administration to determine the terms of the agreement (MOU) between Lincoln County and Cities within Lincoln County to enter into funding agreement for Operation Costs associated with County Winter Shelter	12/12/2022	2/14/2023	2 months
Establish funding agreement with each city in Lincoln County and Samaritan Hospitals for the purpose of Operating Winter shelter.	3/1/2023	9/1/2023	6 months
Begin building / remodeling / clearing lot space / etc for the permanent location of the Winter Shelter	6/1/2023	12/1/2023	6 months
Establish permanent facility / space / lot / etc rules and program requirements for operation of County Winter Shelter	9/1/2023	12/1/2023	3 months
Attend all Advisory meetings on a monthly basis to give project updates throughout term	12/12/2022	12/13/2023	Whole Term

EXPECTED RESULTS

Financial Benefits

- Result #1: Save taxpayers thousands of dollars related to the cost of medical treatment for hypothermia, EMS calls, Ambulance rides. Average Hospital stay \$44,000, average ambulance ride: \$1,200
- Result #2: Save taxpayers thousands of dollars related to the cost of arresting/ jailing someone for committing crimes due to “houselessness” sometimes caused by addiction or mental health. Average cost to jail someone for a year: \$44,021
- Result #3: Save taxpayers thousands of dollars related to the cost of clean-up due to closed restrooms or no safe place for people to put their belongings.

Other Benefits

- Cities who enter into financial agreement to support running the Winter Shelter will have transportation of “houseless” persons to Winter shelter provided by Lincoln County Transit.
- It will drastically reduce the appearance of “houseless” individuals around areas with high tourism populations which will increase tourism
- The ability to provide Case Management and connection to wrap around service needs for “houseless” individuals.
- Provide a safe place for “houseless” individuals to get on their feet and move through the system.

PRICING:

Services Cost Disbursement 1 12/12/2022 – 6/12/2023	
\$50 / hr @ FT (980 hours)	\$49,000.00
Services Cost Disbursement 2 6/13/2023 – 12/13/2023	
\$50/ hr @ FT (980 hours)	\$49,000.00
Total	\$98,000.00

Disclaimer: The prices for services listed above are based on the average rate for similar services on multiple websites as well as the Living Wage Calculator for Lincoln County.

FEE SCHEDULE BREAKDOWN POINTS:

Glassdoor.com Average Salary for Strategy Consultant: \$104,442.00

Salary.com Average Salary for Strategy Consultant \$112,094.00

Zippia.com Average Salary for Strategy Consultant \$117,472.00

Average of all 3 \$111, 336.00

Lincoln County Living Wage Calculator: Typical Management Salary: \$106,754

Lincoln County Living Wage Calculator: 3 children / 1 adult working: \$44.01 per hour needed

I use the calculation for 3 children and 1 adult working because that is my current household

CONCLUSION

I look forward to working with everyone on this endeavor to establish a solid Winter shelter open for a solid 4 months starting in mid-November and closing in mid-March.

Sincerely,

Amanda S Cherryholmes
Coastal Support Services