



Interagency Council on Homelessness
Executive Committee



20 February 2024



Convention for Recording ICH Committee & Full Council Meetings:

- ❖ Recording for purposes of complying with the Open Meeting Act requirements
- ❖ Available for anyone who requests a copy at ich.info@dc.gov.

Meeting Agenda



- I. **Welcome & Agenda Review (5 mins)**
 - a) Intros & Call for Announcements
 - b) Adopting Meeting Notes & Managing the Listserv
- II. **Systemwide Check-In (25 mins)**
 - a) Tracking Shifts in the Landscape & Client Concerns (15 mins)
 - b) FY24 Budget Cuts & FY25 Fiscal Constraints (10 mins)
- III. **Discussion Items (55 mins)**
 - a) Governance Updates (15 mins)
 - b) Priorities/Projects for CY24 & 25 (40 mins)
- IV. **Announcements & Reminders (as needed)**
- V. **Summary & Adjournment (5 mins)**
 - a) Next Full Council Mtg: Tues. 03/12 from 3 – 4:30 pm, with pre-meeting 1 – 2:30 pm. In person, location TBD.

Intro & Call for Announcements



❖ **Intros:**

- Chat intros for attendees: name, pronouns, org, title/role
- Quick round of hellos from Co-Chairs and ICH staff with formal roles leading or supporting meeting

❖ **Callers:**

- Use *3 to raise your hands so we can see you
- Use *6 to unmute and introduce yourself
- Allows us to check that your audio works and that you can hear us!

❖ **Call for Partner Announcements/Reminders:**

- Please “chat” any significant partner announcements, especially those changes/updates that impact the system
- We will make time on the agenda, as appropriate, or include in the notes

Adopting Notes & Managing the Listserv



❖ **Adopting Prior Meeting Notes:**

- Automatically adopted unless meeting attendees flag issues
- Generally, ICH team sends out meeting notes within a week
- Please review as soon as possible and flag any errors/issues
- If we don't hear back within a week, assuming good to adopt

❖ **Managing the Listserv:**

- Meeting materials are only distributed to listserv members
- If you are **not** on the listserv, you will **not** receive materials
- To join the listserv, email ich.info@dc.gov

Notes on Welcome & Agenda Review



Introductions:

- ❖ **ICH Lead:** Theresa Silla
- ❖ **Co-chairs:**
 - Christy Respress (President & CEO, Pathways to Housing)
 - Rachel Pierre (FSA Administrator, DHS) - Standing in for Director Zeilinger.
- ❖ **Callers:** *43 – Becky?, *50 – Ms. Umi

Feedback on Agenda Review:

- ❖ **FL:** ...

Other Comments/Q&A:

- ❖ **Q (FL):** ...
- ❖ **A (from Agency/Org):** ...

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Purpose & Background/Context



Purpose

- ❖ Orient Executive CMTE to new tools for tracking shifts in the landscape and key constituent concerns

Background or Context

- ❖ January meeting Digest has two components
 - Overview Table that highlights **Areas of Concern/Risks**, **Opportunities for Improvement** or **Underutilized Resources**, **Progress to Celebrate** or **Trends in the Right Direction**, and **Announcements & Reminders**
 - Meeting specific digests (1 pagers)

Notes on Shifts in the Landscape & Client Concerns



Key Discussion Questions:

- ❖ Is an Overview Table helpful?
- ❖ What about the meeting specific 1-pagers?
- ❖ Are we categorizing the right kinds of topics/concerns across the different columns?
- ❖ What stands out as critical to discuss at Executive CMTE today?

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Feedback:

- ❖ **KSM (COH):** This looks really good. It's a great quick way to capture lots of data. One note is all the acronyms and if we want to have notes somewhere on them. For example, I don't know what "Integration of ICC at DDSC" is.
 - Perhaps an acronym reference sheet would be helpful to include and build on.
- ❖ **CR (PTHDC):** This is so exciting! Quick snapshot is helpful. Also helpful to be able to go to individual meeting notes, since difficult to remember what was discussed where sometimes! Thank you to ICH Team for this work, especially related to understand representation, attendance and work advancing!
- ❖ **CE (DCCADV):** This is helpful! So many groups and it has been difficult for me as a newcomer to keep track. Thank you!

Other Constituent Feedback:

- ❖ **UO (CEWG):** Question on ERAP communications and case status.

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- ❖ February At A Glance provides an overview of ICH meetings, including:
 - Meeting Forum Name, Description and Date/Time
 - Proposed Agenda Items
 - Logistics to Join: Webex link and call-in details

 Also, check out the new forum logos!



Key Discussion Questions:

- ❖ Is an Overview Table/Calendar helpful?
- ❖ Is it helpful to include all forums even if they are not meeting in a particular month? For reference, the current draft does not include meetings that are on break for the month.
- ❖ Do you have other immediate thoughts or reactions?

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Feedback:

- ❖ **FL (Agency/Org): ...**

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Budget Cuts & Fiscal Constraints



Purpose:

- ❖ Determine how to best have a productive conversation on this front?

Background or Context:

- ❖ We have known for almost a year (since the June 2023 ICH Full Council meeting) that we have significant
 - Downward pressures on District revenues and
 - Upward pressures on District costs/budgets.
- ❖ Also know the Mayor's Proposed Budget generally drops end of March/early April, so we have limited window for feedback to DHS
- ❖ Additional opportunities to provide feedback – Mayor Bowser has announced schedule for Annual Budget Engagement Forums

Notes on Budget Cuts & Fiscal Constraints



Key Discussion Questions

- ❖ Any thoughts on what is critical to fund for each subsystem?
Reminder that we have 4 subsystems: Families, Single Adults, Youth and Veterans

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Feedback:

- ❖ **AW(YAB/CEWG):** Recommend focusing on subsystems that need the most attention and/or specific programs such as ERAP.

Other Comments/Q&A:

- ❖ **Q (RB, PFFC/CEWG):** First point is what is causing the downward pressures vs what costs are we seeing increase with this understanding can help with the give and take that we would need to make concerning reductions?
 - **A (from ICH):** Downward pressures related to revenue, specifically retail and commercial. In terms of increasing costs, understanding there were a number of upward pressures. Likely most appropriate to leverage Mayor's forums.
 - **RB:** In terms of programs, need to look at seniors/aging with consideration to PSH and look out for PIT results to check disparity in resources for Singles. From advocacy perspective, would be helpful to know ballpark figure of how revenue is tied to funding for homeless services.

Notes on Budget Cuts & Fiscal Constraints



Feedback/Other Comments/Q&A:

- ❖ **RW (PFFC/CEWG):** Are we commenting on proposed budget cuts? Reflections from testimony last week at DHCD performance hearing and status of Housing Production Trust Fund. Need to define what adequate services in the system.
 - **A (from ICH):** There are no proposed budget cuts at this point, but the Mayor is holding budget engagement forums, so anticipating cuts.
- ❖ **KSM (COH):** There also feels like there are two stages: 1. Cuts that are going into effect as of April for the rest of this fiscal year and 2. Next fiscal year.
- ❖ **CE (DCCADV):** Are other agencies also making cuts? With the 5% external (that is, program) cuts from DHS, I was curious if other agencies who are being asked to cut are also cutting programs. Or if they are making internal agency cuts as well/instead. Worried about accepting that human services cuts is how we are going to get through a revenue decrease - I think all the subsystem needs are critical and would love to see if we can take an alternative approach to worse outcomes for our most marginalized residents.

Notes on Budget Cuts & Fiscal Constraints



Feedback/Other Comments/Q&A:

- ❖ **CC (Unity):** Echo Robert's comments on returning back to usual budget pressures as pandemic era funding phases down. There were so many effective programs to leverage lessons learned including,
 - How to effectively care for really vulnerable population in time of crisis. Worry that momentum to two non-congregate sites (NCS) is slowing down.
 - PSH Plus for older and medically vulnerable individuals with needed medical and mental health supports on site, short of assisted living.
- ❖ **RB (PFFC/CEWG):** One additional thing to point out is the non congregate momentum will affect the conversation about the replacement of Harriet Tubman and I am concerned about that as well.
- ❖ **RP (DHS):** Re: NCS – There is not a lack of momentum from DHS perspective as continue contracts and progress on renovations. Aston is still set to open this summer. E Street will likely be pushed back to October to allow for ramp up and so not opening two new sites at the same time.

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Purpose

- ❖ Update Executive CMTE on status of ICH Full Council Nominations for seats vacant and expiring in 2022 and 2023 cohorts.

Background or Context

- ❖ There are many steps to the nomination process, many of which are not under the control of the ICH Team.



2022 Nominations



- ❖ **Overview:** For expired seats at the end of 2022.
- ❖ **Status:** Under Council Review.
 - Individual resolutions can be tracked through [LIMS](#).
 - Anticipate approval, pending Council Review by 03/10.
- ❖ **Special Notes:**
 - To make up for the delay in approval, terms for this cohort will end *May 1, 2025*.
 - One candidate has since moved from their provider role. ICH to identify replacement from 2023 Provider category candidates.

Call for
Nominations
(11/21 –
02/22)

Non-Conflicted
Full Council &
Exec CMTE
Review Panel
(03/22)

Executive CMTE
Approval
(04/22)

Mayoral
Review
Coordinated
by MOTA
(05/22)

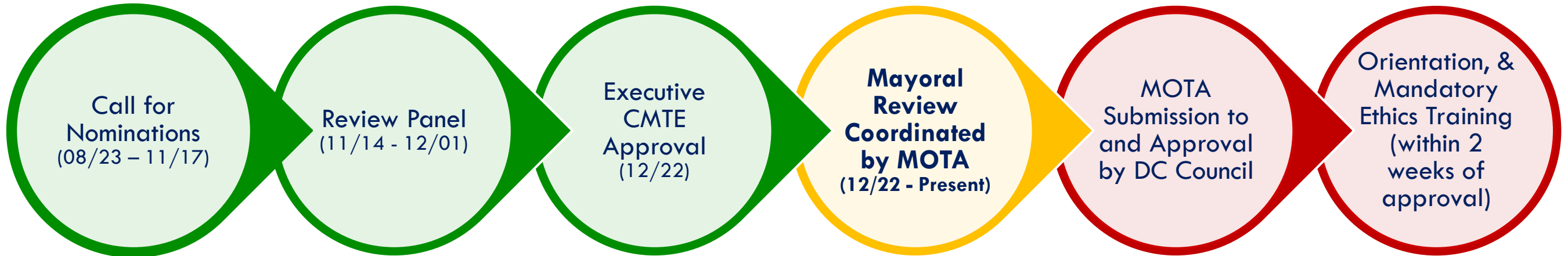
**MOTA
Submission to
and Approval
by DC Council
(Introduced
01/24)**

Orientation,
incld CMTE
assignments &
Mandatory
Ethics Training
(within 2 weeks
of approval)

2023 Nominations



- ❖ **Overview:** For the eleven (11) vacant and expired seats at the end of 2023, including
 - 2 Advocate
 - 2 Business/Private Sector
 - 5 Provider
 - 2 Lived Experience
- ❖ **Status:** Under MOTA Review.
- ❖ **Highlights:** ICH distributed profiles of 2023 Nominees.
 - 7 of 11 nominees identify as people of color.
 - 3 re-appointed members, 8 new members.
 - 3 individuals currently serve as ICH CMTE/WG Co-Chairs.
 - Lived Experience (LE): In addition to the 2 LE seats, 2 people with LE were selected to serve in other categories (Provider and Advocate). Total of 6 LE members, including 2 women.



Notes on Governance Updates



Feedback & Q&A:

- ❖ **Q (RB, PFFC/CEWG):** For those in the 2022 cohort, will those nominations be asked to participate in the roundtable?
 - **A (from ICH):** Council does not yet have the individual resolutions for the nominees from the 2023 cohort, so do not expect them to be included. ICH can follow up with Council to confirm.
- ❖ **Q (RB, PFFC/CEWG):** When we have the Full Council meeting will the 2022 and 2023 cohorts be seated at the meeting?
 - **A (from ICH):** Yes, that is the intention!
- ❖ **Q (RE, PFFC/CEWG):** Which DC Council Committee and Council member oversee nominations? I thought it was Chairperson Mendelson.
 - **A (from ICH):** The Council Committee with oversight of the ICH is the Committee on Housing chaired by CM Robert White, though believe the resolutions were introduced to the Committee of the Whole.

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Roadmap for Discussion



- ❖ Overview, including Purpose & Background
- ❖ Proposed Priorities by
 - Executive Committee
 - WGs under Executive CMTE
- ❖ Annual Calendar



Purpose & Background/Context



Purpose

- ❖ Orient Executive CMTE to ICH proposed Priorities, Projects, and Annual Calendar.

Background or Context

- ❖ Rooted in the Legislated Mandates and Coordination across ICH forums!
- ❖ Aligned with the roles and responsibilities outlined in the ICH Bylaws.
- ❖ Reminder that legislated mandates include:
 - Comments to the Mayor's Proposed Budget (annual),
 - Strategic Plan (every 5 years) and Updates (annual),
 - Community-wide assessments and inventories (annual) – including
 - ✓ Key Performance Indicators (KPIs),
 - ✓ Point-in-Time (PIT) and Housing Inventory Counts (HIC), and
 - ✓ Homeless Youth Census
 - Input on federally mandated applications and plans (annual)



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PRIORITIES & PROJECTS

Proposed Priorities



1. Ensuring Coordination Across the ICH
2. Additional Key Priorities
3. Reviewing and integrating the cross-cutting priorities advanced by associated workgroups

1. Coordination Across the ICH



Proposed Projects

- ❖ **Planning for and tracking efforts to meet locally and federally legislated mandates, including:**
 - Comments to the Mayor's Proposed Budget (annual),
 - Strategic Plan (every 5 years) and Updates (annual),
 - Community-wide assessments and inventories – including Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), Point-in-Time (PIT) and Housing Inventory Counts (HIC), and Homeless Youth Census (annual)
 - Input on federally mandated applications and plans (annual), and
 - Winter Plan (Annual)
- ❖ **Tracking key issues/concerns surfacing across ICH forums, including:**
 - Identifying and reviewing key concerns surfacing across ICH Forums,
 - Triaging emerging key concerns to appropriate ICH Forum and alerting relevant agencies for attention and support, and
 - Following up to ensure that key concerns are addressed within the appropriate timeframes.
- ❖ **Supporting essential ICH governance functions, including**
 - Issuing annual call for nominations to identify and rank candidates for expiring or vacant Community Seats on Full Council
 - Regularly reviewing and updating ICH Bylaws to ensure they track critical shifts in the landscape, including necessary changes to the ICH infrastructure

2. Additional Key Priorities



Proposal to focus projects on

- ❖ Addressing Fiscal Constraints
- ❖ **Expanding Income** including Employment and Entrepreneurship Opportunities
 - It's been a goal for a long time!
 - Work time for this is critical, so we can have a devoted conversation. Leveraging breaks is critical.
 - Can we plan a co-meeting with the Workforce Investment Council?
 - Benefit cliffs – supporting clients with understanding the impact of increasing income, especially related to Peer Opportunities!
- ❖ **Regional Coordination and Collaboration**
 - Vehicle for supporting clients with ties outside the District has been Project Reconnect
 - May be opportunity for more because many of us and our clients have ties/connections and are mobile across the DMV
 - Operationalizing the agreements and coordination, especially around residency requirements
 - Lots of practical low hanging fruits – how do we identify POC and create a simplified map of the homeless services system in neighboring jurisdictions

3. Reviewing & Integrating Priorities by WGs



Reviewing and integrating the cross-cutting priorities advanced by associated workgroups:

- ❖ Consumer Engagement
- ❖ Racial Equity and Inclusion

RACIAL EQUITY & INCLUSION WORKGROUP PRIORITIES & PROJECTS

Priorities



1. Reviewing System Operations
2. Establishing an REI Assessment Tool
3. Advancing Housing as a Right

Reviewing System Operations



Projects:

- ❖ Annual review of gap in performance/outcomes for the single adult and family subsystem
- ❖ Improve racial equity practices, especially for ICH structure and operations

Status:

- ❖ Most advanced because ICH Team developed and is implementing a framework for the analysis and work underway.

Establishing an REI Assessment Tool



Proposed Projects

- ❖ Identify and evaluate readily available resources that can be tailored to homeless services, for example the ORE and CORE assessment tools
- ❖ Tailor most appropriate racial impact assessment tool to our system
- ❖ Develop protocols and pilot provider-level and system-level policies and programming
- ❖ Conduct a baseline review of significant policies and programming to determine impact on different racial and ethnic groups
- ❖ Adopt and promote standards for continuous and ongoing system-level and provider-level examinations

Status:

- ❖ Brainstormed aspects of developing an REI Assessment Tool last month

Advancing Housing as a Right



Proposed Projects:

- ❖ Review the TCP/Urban Institute housing insecurity/instability survey
- ❖ Work with the District's Office of Planning (OP) to
 - integrate findings of the housing insecurity/instability survey and
 - estimate level of assistance needed to bring insecure households to stability and appropriately relieve rent-burdened households in District
- ❖ Work with the District Housing Authority (DCHA) to understand the gap between
 - Preliminary estimates on need obtained from working with the OP and
 - Need that the DCHA can meet given current federal funding levels
- ❖ Work with Federal gov to determine if & how the Federal gov can address gap

Status:

- ❖ Urban Institute slated to present on Housing Insecurity/Instability study at 03/18 Housing Solutions CMTE Meeting!



CONSUMER ENGAGEMENT WORKGROUP PRIORITIES & PROJECTS

Proposed Priorities



1. Establishing a comprehensive Consumer Advisory Group (CAG) or Lived Experience Advisory Group (LEAG)
2. Mapping client experience and addressing constituent grievances related to homeless services
3. Supporting key projects that are vital in addressing constituent concerns

Establishing a Consumer Advisory Group



Projects:

- ❖ Identify and secure funding to cover stipends for a minimum of 16 constituents with lived experience (4 for each subsystem – family, singles, veterans, and youth)
- ❖ Recruit and onboard the 16 constituents with lived experience once the proposed structure is approved at the appropriate Executive or Full Council meeting – focusing on ensuring continuity between the existing Consumer Engagement Workgroup and SHY Youth Advisory Board members.

Mapping Client Experience & Addressing Grievances



- ❖ Gather and refer the concerns of constituents with lived experience to the appropriate CMTE/WG forums
- ❖ Ensure adequate representation of constituents with lived experience at ICH Forums (Full Council/CMTE/WG meetings) to support the system mapping work underway
- ❖ Identify the priority areas for mapping client experience and addressing constituent grievances across the appropriate CMTE/WG meetings

Supporting Key Projects to Address Concerns



- ❖ Advancing Housing as a Human Right,
- ❖ Ensuring dignity in death,
- ❖ Expanding access to food, and
- ❖ Developing and implementing Move-On/Graduation strategies from long-term supportive services

2024 Schedule for ICH Executive CMTE



- Standard meeting recurrence is 2nd Tuesday every month from 1:30 – 3 pm.
- Standard breaks throughout the year so that ICH can finalize reports to meet legislated mandates.
- Resuming standard cadence of Full Council meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of March, June, Sept. and Dec.

Month	Date	Notes
January	01/09	<i>Break. Due to proximity to New Year holiday and shift in mtg schedules.</i>
February	02/20	<i>Moved to 3rd Tues. from 1 – 2:30 pm to accommodate shift in mtgs.</i>
March	03/12	ICH Full Council Meeting (Quarterly)
April	04/09	All ICH CMTE Meetings devoted to Budget Engagement to support the ICH Comments to the Mayor’s Proposed Budget
May	05/14	<i>Break. Goal: ICH Finalize Comments to Mayor’s Proposed Budget.</i>
June	06/11	ICH Full Council Meeting (Quarterly)
July	07/09	
August	08/13	<i>Break. Goal: ICH Team focused on advancing Winter Plan.</i>
September	09/10	ICH Full Council Meeting (Quarterly)
October	10/08	
November	11/12	<i>Break.</i>
December	12/10	ICH Full Council Meeting (Quarterly)

Notes on Priorities/Projects for CY24 & 25



Feedback/Q&A:

- ❖ **KSM (COH):** Would be okay with monthly report out of meetings and WG materials, not weekly.
- ❖ **RB:** Definitely employment and entrepreneurship and regional.
 - Do not let employment services off the hook this is where those who are mention in the plan and those who are votes on full as far as the gov have to help us here.
 - Unfortunately, for this year we have to handle the fiscal constraints but far as a long term priority we need to refer to the employment goal in the plan
- ❖ **KSM (COH):** Related to employment/entrepreneurship - we have not made much progress on this front, so where does this fit in? Is it realistic to keep as CMTE priority?
 - **A (from ICH):** Have an opportunity to determine how to leverage breaks in meeting schedule to hold focused forums and coordinate with appropriate agencies to advance on this front.

Notes on Priorities/Projects for CY24 & 25



Feedback/Q&A:

- ❖ **RE (PFFC/CEWG):** Will the DHS peer academy disturb someone's SSI payments? Has anyone looked into that it may end up causing more hardship in the end if there is not an agreement between DHS and Federal gov.
 - **A (from DHS):** Part of the orientation is to inform individuals for their own decision making to accept or decline payments.
 - **A (from Pathways):** Also working to pull resources to support for long term planning as people enter into the work force and move to hourly/salary positions.
 - **Q (SP, ICH):** Are you able to establish something like a temporary estate for individuals, or LLC for individual, so funds can go into the separate account, but they can have access later.?
- ❖ **RP (DHS):** Regarding OMS – regional coordination is not as concrete as it may appear.
- ❖ **RB (PFFC/CEWG):** So what about the Hoover building? Are we going to support a Title 5 for our true downtown services center?
- ❖ **RB (PFFC/CEWG):** Employment is part of regional coordination because many of the job opportunities are not within DC. Unless we do something special like were any of the people hired for the 801 replacement were retained and where in the region were they placed for assignments after 801 was completed.

Notes on Priorities/Projects for CY24 & 25



Feedback/Q&A:

- ❖ **CE (DCCADV):** I see Strategic Planning & ERSO Committees have a section on DV "supporting strategic engagement with adjacent systems that impact all subpopulations, particularly Domestic Violence, and Justice-Involved Populations". What are the "Adjacent Systems" for DV that this is referring to?
 - **A (from ICH):** We know we need better coordination with DV and singles system including adults and young adults, since we have a good model at the front door of the families system. For example, related to immediate needs and temporary housing (under ERSO) - do we have the appropriate response and knowledge on how to refer individuals who prefer and/or are best served by DV system. Under Strategic Planning, larger conversation through CAHP on how to support clients experiencing DV to permanent housing resources.

Notes on Priorities/Projects for CY24 & 25



Feedback/Q&A:

- ❖ **AP (CHASS):** Shared via Webex chat.
 - **Regarding employment and entrepreneurship opportunities:** How is the ICH working to leverage existing resources and explore new funding opportunities to address homelessness in the district? Can you provide examples of innovative funding strategies or partnerships the ICH has pursued to expand income and support services for individuals experiencing homelessness?
 - **Regarding regional coordination and collaboration:** How does the ICH collaborate with neighboring jurisdictions and regional stakeholders to address homelessness on a broader scale? What efforts are being made to coordinate services and share best practices with other regional agencies or councils tackling homelessness?
 - **Regarding the growing disconnect within organizations:** How does the ICH work to foster collaboration and communication among the various organizations and agencies involved in addressing homelessness in the district? What strategies does the ICH employ to address any challenges or barriers to effective coordination and collaboration among stakeholders?
 - **Regarding the impact of migrant-related crime:** How is the ICH responding to concerns about crime associated with migrant populations experiencing homelessness? What partnerships or strategies are in place to address safety concerns and ensure the well-being of both migrants and the broader community?
 - **Coordination of mental health services:** How does the ICH collaborate with the Core Service Agency and the Department of Behavioral Health to ensure that individuals experiencing homelessness have access to mental health services? Are there specific initiatives or programs in place to address the mental health needs of individuals living in encampments or affected by gang-related crime?

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 - a) DC Council: Performance Oversight Hearings Schedule
 - b) DHS: Central Unit Repository ***NEW***
 - c) DHS: Industry Day ***NEW***
 - d) DHS: Peer Case Management Institute
 - e) DSLBD: The Aspire Incubator Program
 - f) DSLBD: The Dream Grant Pitch Program
 - g) ICH: Open Positions Announcement ***NEW***
 - h) Mayor Bowser: Annual Budget Engagement Forums ***NEW***
 - i) MWCOCG: Regional Fair Housing Plan
 - j) OSSE: New Funding For District's Advanced Technical Center ***NEW***
 - k) TCP: Open Positions Announcement ***NEW***
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DC Council: Performance Oversight Hearings

Please find the schedule of all (*)Agency Partners and relevant hearings to the work of the ICH. For locations, online viewing, and to sign up to testify go to dccouncil.gov

DC Council Committee on	Agency	Date	Time
Housing	*Dept of Housing and Community Development & Housing Production Trust Fund	Thursday, February 15th	9:30 AM – 6 PM
Recreation, Libraries & Youth Affairs	Dept of Youth Rehabilitation Services	Thursday, February 15th	9:30 AM – 6 PM
Executive Administration & Labor	*Dept of Employment Services (Public Witnesses)	Wednesday, February 21st	9:30 AM – 6 PM
Facilities & Family Services	*Child and Family Services Agency	Wednesday, February 21st	9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
Housing	*Dept of Columbia Housing Authority	Thursday, February 22nd	9:30 AM – 6 PM
Facilities & Family Services	*Dept of General Services (Public Witnesses)	Monday, February 26th	9:30 AM – 1:30 PM



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DC Council Committee on	Agency	Date	Time
Executive Administration & Labor	*Dept of Employment Services (Govt Witnesses)	Tuesday, February 27th	1 PM – 5 PM
Whole	*Office of the State Superintendent of Education (Public Witnesses)	Wednesday, February 28th	9:30 AM – 6 PM
Housing	DC Housing Finance Agency, *Interagency Council on Homelessness, *Dept of Human Services	Thursday, February 29th	9:30 AM – 6 PM
Facilities & Family Services	*Dept of General Services (Govt Witnesses)	Thursday, February 29th	2 PM – 6 PM
Whole	*Office of the State of Superintendent of Education (Govt Witnesses)	Friday, March 1st	9:30 AM – 6 PM

DHS Central Unit Repository ***NEW***

LIST YOUR UNITS HERE TODAY!

Are you a housing provider with available units
in the District of Columbia?

Do you want to help end homelessness?

If so, the District of Columbia's homeless services system Central Unit Repository (CUR)
is now LIVE and accepting vacant units for immediate posting!

Please share your unit(s) to help house District residents with a voucher or rental
subsidy by uploading your unit(s) today! Thank you for your consideration and we
look forward to our continued partnership.

Need more information on how to get started with the Central Unit Repository?

Please see the following links below.

Still have questions? Please submit your inquiry via the CUR's questions tracker
or e-mail curhelps@dc.gov directly for more information.



DHS FSA Industry Day ***NEW***

Overview:

DHS FSA is hosting an Industry Day Event which is an opportunity for existing and prospective grantees and service providers to come out and learn about upcoming DHS FSA Grant Funding Opportunities, hear directly from DHS staff, and network with other service providers.

Details:

- **When:** Tuesday, Feb. 20th from 3 – 5pm
- **Where:** 64 New York Ave, NE, 6th Floor. NOMA Conference Rooms A, B, & C.
- **Register:** Visit bit.ly/IndustryDay2024



HUMAN SERVICES (DHS)
FAMILY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
PRESENTS

HUMAN SERVICES INDUSTRY DAY

Join DHS to learn about upcoming Grant Notice of Funding Opportunities and program update and steps you can take to prepare as a grant applicant.

This event will be a great opportunity to learn about DHS grant funded programs and to network.

FEBRUARY 20, 2024
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

64 New York Ave, N.E.
Washington, DC 20002, 6th Floor
NOMA Conference Rooms A, B & C

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

The following program areas will be highlighted as upcoming and potential Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) within DHS during **Industry Day February 2024**:

- **Youth Services Programs** – Extended Transitional Housing and Emergency Shelter
- **Individuals Services Program** – Comprehensive Street Outreach
- **Family Violence Prevention Services Act (FVPSA) Programs** – Domestic Violence Immediate Shelter and Domestic Violence Supportive Services

At the event applicants will learn about upcoming funding opportunities, have the chance to speak with FSA Program and Operation Divisions about Requests for Applications (RFAs), and network with DHS team members and other industry providers during the event!

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Youth Services Providers
- Homeless Services Providers
- Domestic Violence Service Providers
- Vendors interested in learning about Grant Opportunities with the Family Services Administration

HOW TO REGISTER

Please visit our website at bit.ly/IndustryDay2024 to register and secure your spot today. Each organization is limited to maximum of (2) participants to attend. REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE AT 12 PM ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024.

Peer Case Management Institute

- **Applications** can be submitted via the following link: bit.ly/45TFmYI from January 30th to February 22nd 2024.
 - DHS will also share paper applications and submission boxes in shelters and day centers around the city.
 - If you know someone who would be a great candidate, please encourage them to apply!
- **Info Sessions for Interested Candidates:**
 - **Virtual Info Session #1:** Thursday February 8, 2024 at 1:00 PM
 - Join link: <https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=meb224e5c06f1558c89e69869f290ee9d>
 - Webinar number: 2308 338 7083
 - Webinar password: PEER (7337 from phones and video systems)
 - Join by phone: 1-202-860-2110 United States Toll (Washington D.C.); Access code: 231 257 43197
 - **Virtual Info Session #2:** Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 3:00 PM
 - Join link: <https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=m56c2b5d745dadb99cc707985bebd0e96>
 - Webinar number: 2300 138 6251
 - Webinar password: PEER (7337 from phones and video systems)
 - Join by phone: 1-202-860-2110 United States Toll (Washington D.C.); Access code: 230 244 47753
- **Provider Practicum Placements:** Fill out the interest form via Smartsheet [here](#).
 - Please attend the provider information session on Thursday, February 15th at 2pm:
<https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=m9372b162f7d0fcdae2c7f68867298040>
 - Meeting number (access code): 2319 830 6936
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 - Agencies will be provided \$3,000 for each student they accept/supervise

DSLBD: The Aspire Incubator Program

Overview

- ❖ The 2024 Aspire Incubator Program is a part of the Bowser Administration’s continued investment in and support of local businesses.
- ❖ Through the Aspire Incubator Program, which has awarded approximately \$750,000 over the past three years, entrepreneurs have access to a comprehensive range of resources, including mentorship, guidance, and educational training to help turn their business ideas into reality.

Aspire Incubator Program Overview:

- ❖ The 2024 Aspire Incubator Program will support 20 DC residents who are returning citizens or justice-impacted individuals looking to start or grow a business.
- ❖ Participants in the Aspire Incubator Program will benefit from a community of support, and up to \$5,000 in stipends for completing various business development milestones, covering planning, regulatory compliance, finance, and public speaking.
- ❖ **Apply by March 1, 2004 at dslbd.dc.gov/weaspire**



DSLBD: The Dream Pitch Program

Overview

- ❖ The 2024 Dream Grant Program is part of the Bowser Administration’s continued investment in and support of local businesses.
- ❖ The Dream Grant Pitch Program provides financial and technical assistance to entrepreneurs from Wards 7 and 8 and provides a platform to develop the skills needed to run a successful business; over the past three years, local entrepreneurs have received approximately \$1.5 million in Dream grants.

Dream Pitch Grant Program Overview:

- ❖ At the heart of the program is the Dream Pitch Competition, offering participants a platform to present their businesses to a panel of judges. The competition includes pitch awards of up to \$7,500. The program spans seven years and focuses on business pitching, accounting and bookkeeping, marketing and branding, and mentorship opportunities.
- ❖ **Apply by March 1st at dslbd.dc.gov/dreampitch**



ICH: Open Positions ***NEW***



The ICH is hiring for two positions! Application window closes on 02/26.

- ❖ **Special Advisor Participatory Planning and Strategic Communications**
 - **Focus:** responsible for planning, developing, and communicating the ICH's vision, mission, strategic planning initiatives, and activities both internally throughout the District, as well as externally to the general public through media, various constituencies, and municipal entities for the agency.
 - Apply [here](#).

- ❖ **Special Advisor for Integrated Care Strategies**
 - **Focus:** to improve health outcomes, equity, and continuity of care by implementing the relevant goals, objectives, strategies, and activities outlined in Homeward DC 2.0, the strategic plan for preventing and ending homelessness.
 - Apply [here](#).



Mayor Bowser: Annual Budget Engagement Forums ***NEW***

Overview

- ❖ Mayor Bowser is inviting residents to join the annual Budget Engagement Forums to share values and priorities before sending her FY25 budget to Council.
- ❖ At the forums, residents will:
 - receive an overview of the current budget environment,
 - hear from other residents about their priorities, and
 - participate in small group discussions about how the Mayor should allocate funds.
- ❖ Residents can learn more and register for all upcoming budget engagement forums on budget.dc.gov

Date/Time	Location	RSVP Link
Saturday, February 24th at 11:00 AM	Deanwood Community Center (1350 49th St, NE)	eventbrite.com/e/fy-25-budget-engagement-forum-deanwood-tickets-840160983117
Wednesday, February 28th at 11:00 AM (Focus on Senior Citizens)	TeleTownhall: Watch parties at all Senior Centers. Call In (844) 881-1314	eventbrite.com/e/fy-25-senior-budget-engagement-town-hall-tickets-840168646037
Wednesday, February 28th at 5:30 PM	Brookland Middle School (1150 Michigan Ave, NE)	eventbrite.com/e/fy-25-budget-engagement-forum-brookland-tickets-840167081357
Thursday, February 29th at 5:30 PM (Focus on Gen-Z)	Watch online at mayor.dc.gov/live or on Mayor Bowser's Facebook or X	eventbrite.com/e/fy-25-gen-z-budget-engagement-online-forum-tickets-840170030177

MWCOG: Regional Fair Housing Plan



Eight Area Governments Finalize Regional Fair Housing Plan

- ❖ COG announced the completion of the Regional Fair Housing Plan, with the eight participating jurisdictions submitting their portions of the plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in December.
- ❖ The plan includes:
 - Analysis of impediments to fair housing choice across the region and provides
 - Strategies to increase access to safe and affordable housing,
 - Increase investment and resources in priority areas, and
 - Create more inclusive communities.
- ❖ COG will now support jurisdictions as they seek to implement the strategies identified in the plan to prevent housing discrimination and address the root causes of housing inequity in the region.
- ❖ Link to the plan - [Regional Fair Housing Plan](#)




OSSE: New Funding For District's Advanced Technical Center *NEW*

Overview

- ❖ The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) received a \$4.1M Career Connected High School Grant from the Biden-Harris Administration to expand access to the District's Advanced Technical Center (ATC).
- ❖ The initiative offers dual-credit Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses in high-demand industries to students citywide, including
 - Advanced & Career Ready Internships,
 - General Nursing Program, and
 - Cybersecurity Program.


For more information check out <https://osse.dc.gov/service/career-and-technical-education-cte>



BUILD FUTURE

Advanced Technical Center

OSSE is committed to ensuring DC learners have access to robust and sustainable pathways to a fulfilling career and life by reimagining high school and providing relevant and accessible postsecondary programming. In the 2022-23 school year, OSSE launched the Advanced Technical Center (ATC), the District's first citywide hub for Career and Technical Education (CTE) programming. The ATC enables high school students from across the city to earn college credits and industry certifications while remaining enrolled in their DC public school or public charter school. The ATC's dual enrollment programming prepares students for careers in high-skill, high-wage, in-demand disciplines, such as cybersecurity and general nursing. In Fall 2023, the ATC moved to its new, permanent home: a \$10.3 million facility at Penn Center that includes state-of-the-art science and technology labs for students.




IMPACT METRICS

- In the 2023-24 school year, the ATC is serving nearly 200 students from across the city, representing 15 high schools
- Students who took classes at the ATC in the 2022-23 school year attended nearly 13 more days of school than their peers who did not
- During the 2022-23 school year, students attending the ATC earned a total of 740 college credits – worth approximately \$570,000 in tuition – at no cost to students or their families
- 80 percent of students who completed their first two CTE courses during the inaugural year at the ATC returned for the 2023-24 school year

The Advanced Technical Center to me is another place to call home. Here we learn how to operate in the real world. This opportunity is life changing at free at cost. So far, I've learned the basics of nursing and learning how to actually care for a patient. Overall, the Advanced Technical Center is life changing and an eye-opening experience from teachers, classmates to staff.

– Brandon Lemons Jr., 11th grade student at Friendship Collegiate Academy, first year general nursing pathway



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KEY ACTIVITIES

- Construct and open the new ATC at Penn Center, featuring a new welcome center and sophisticated science and technology labs
- Partner with faculty from Trinity Washington University and the University of the District of Columbia to offer coursework within two CTE programs of study, nursing and cybersecurity
- Connect students to paid internships and help them explore post-secondary college and career options
- Transport eligible students to ensure they have safe and timely access to the center when transitioning among the ATC, their high school and home


TOTAL INVESTMENT AMOUNT

- \$4.4 million over three years in federal stimulus COVID-19 recovery funds (American Rescue Plan Treasury and Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds), in addition to \$10 million in capital funds for Penn Center renovation

The Advanced Technical Center (ATC) has been an invaluable resource for me as a freshman. It has provided me with the opportunity to explore my interests and discover what I might like to pursue as a career in the future. In particular, my cybersecurity class has instilled in me the importance of maintaining a secure online presence. This newfound caution has not only benefited me personally but has also empowered me to educate others on the significance of cybersecurity. Overall, the ATC has been an enriching experience, and I eagerly anticipate each opportunity to expand my knowledge and skills.


– Dagmawit Addis, 9th grade student at Bell High School, first year cybersecurity Pathway

LEARN MORE about OSSE's investments to reimagine postsecondary pathways:




bit.ly/SPReimaginePathways

LEARN MORE about OSSE's FY23-25 strategic plan:

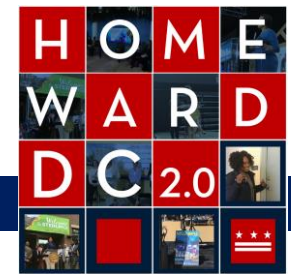


bit.ly/SPBuildFutures

LEARN MORE about Career & Technical Education (CTE) in DC:



careertechdc.org



OSSE: New Funding For District's Advanced Technical Center *NEW*

For more information, visit: <https://osse.dc.gov/service/career-and-technical-education-cte>



Cybersecurity Program

The Cybersecurity program of study at the Advanced Technical Center (ATC) will prepare you for entry-level technical and professional careers related to protecting and defending information and systems.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

- How to monitor and create information systems used around the world
- Discover weaknesses in databases, networks, hardware, firewalls, and encryption

WHERE CAN I WORK?

- This pathway is a fast-growing field in the public and private sectors.
- Cybersecurity professionals can work for local, state, and the federal government, the military, or major private sector companies like Amazon, Meta, or Google.
- Technology and the need to keep our data secure will always have a place in our future. Whether you plan to live in DC or across the world, IT jobs can be performed from anywhere.

WHAT CTE COURSES WILL I TAKE AT THE ATC?

- Fundamentals of IT and Cybersecurity I
- Internetworking Technologies
- Digital Forensics
- Network Defense and Counter Measures

WILL I RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDITS?

- Yes! All of our courses are dual credit. You will earn 15 college credits from the University of the District of Columbia and 4 high school credits toward graduation.

HOW WILL I ADVANCE MY CAREER?

- Most cybersecurity careers require some additional postsecondary training from certifications to an associate degree.
- During your first year at the ATC, you will earn the entry-level CompTIA IT Fundamentals certification. During your last course, you will earn the CompTIA Security+ certification.


IS THERE AN INTERNSHIP?

- Yes, you will participate in two paid internships through this pathway.

HOW MUCH CAN I MAKE?

\$119,038* per year | \$57.23 per hour

*Average for Washington, DC metro area




Talk to your school counselor or fill out this interest form today!
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Advanced & Career Ready Internship Programs




OSSE is committed to ensuring DC learners have access to robust and sustainable pathways to a fulfilling career and life by reimagining high school and providing relevant and accessible postsecondary programming. This includes programs like the Advanced Internship Program (AIP) and Career Ready Internship (CRI), which provide hundreds of DC high school students with paid school-year and summer internship opportunities that count for school credit, are aligned to their career and technical education (CTE) coursework and are in high-demand career fields such as engineering, information technology and health science. A recent effort by Bain & Company on behalf of CityWorks DC found that students who had access to career supports such as connections to employers, exposure to careers, and professional counseling tended to earn wages that were 20 percent higher than their peers who did not have access to these types of programming. The AIP and CRI are an important part of OSSE's larger strategy to increase attendance, improve graduation rates, and prepare students for the futures of their choosing.

IMPACT METRICS

- In Summer 2023, 96 percent of students who started in a summer Career Ready Internship completed their full internship (593 students total)
- In the 2023-24 school year, more than 600 interested high school students applied for the Advanced Internship Program, 243 of whom were successfully placed in internships across 59 host employers – a 23 percent increase in placements from last year and more than tripling the number of placements in the 2021-22 school year.

Participation Data (# of students who started in internships by school year)


	Summer 2021 and 2021-22 School Year	Summer 2022 and 2022-23 School Year	Summer 2023 and 2023-24 School Year
Career Ready Internship (Summer)	471	420	619
Advanced Internship Program (School-Year)	75	198	243



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General Nursing Program

General nurses provide direct patient care, administer doctor-prescribed medications, collect fluid samples, assist physicians with exams, manage electronic medical records, and work to educate patients about medications, treatments, and healthy lifestyles. The General Nursing program of study at the Advanced Technical Center (ATC) prepares you for this high-wage, high-skill and in-demand career and so much more!

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A NURSING BACKGROUND?

- This pathway allows you to explore the broad health science field with many career paths beyond nursing. Jobs in this field include medical assistant, ultrasound technician, paramedic, phlebotomy, and surgical technician.

WHAT ARE MY CAREER PROSPECTS WITH NURSING?

- Overall employment in health science fields is expected to grow 15 percent by 2029, mainly due to an aging population, leading to greater demand for healthcare services.

WHAT CTE COURSES WILL I TAKE AT THE ATC?

- Principles of Health Science
- Medical Terminology
- Anatomy and Physiology I
- Anatomy and Physiology II or Certified Nursing Assistant

WILL I RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDITS OR SCHOLARSHIPS?

- Yes! All of our courses offer dual credit. You can earn up to 20 college credits from Trinity Washington University and 4 credits toward high school graduation. Students who finish their ATC program even qualify for a \$60,000 scholarship from Trinity.

IS THERE AN INTERNSHIP?

- Yes, you will have the opportunity to participate in two paid internships – one during the summer and one during the school year.


CAN I EARN INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS?

- During your first year, you will earn the American Heart Association's Basic Life Support certification for health professionals. During your second year, you can choose to earn the Certified Nursing Assistant certification or take another academic course in the nursing pathway.


HOW MUCH CAN I MAKE?

\$68,000* per year | \$32.78 per hour

*Average for Washington, DC metro area



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TCP: Open Positions Announcement ***NEW***

- The Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness is hiring a new Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement (CAHP) Coordinator for Single Adults and Families!
- Overview
 - CAHP Coordinators are integral members of the Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement (CAHP) system and are responsible for supporting the implementation of the community's CAHP system in accordance with federal guidelines established by the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Coordinated Entry (CE) and local priorities. This includes the facilitation of community housing match and case conferencing meetings, outreach to housing providers to maintain real-time vacancy reporting and continuous data monitoring for quality improvement and performance measurement.
- To learn more and apply please check out: [Employment Opportunities - The Community Partnership \(community-partnership.org\)](https://www.community-partnership.org/employment-opportunities)
- For Questions about the CAHP Coordinator for Families please email Samatha at sleblanc@community-partnership.org
- For Questions about the CAHP Coordinator for Single Adults please email Sarah at sflinspach@community-partnership.org

Meeting Agenda



- i. Welcome & Agenda Review (5 mins)
- ii. Systemwide Check-In (25 mins)
- iii. Discussion Items (55 mins)
- iv. Announcements & Reminders (as needed)
- v. **Summary & Adjournment (5 mins)**
 - a) Next Full Council Mtg: Tues. 03/12 from 3 – 4:30 pm, with pre-meeting 1 – 2:30 pm. In person, location TBD.

