



## Northwest Keizer Neighborhood Association Meeting

May 18th, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:08 pm

**Attendance:** Bob and Marlene Parsons, Crista Medrano, Robert Husseman, Tammy and Fransico Saldivar, Griffin Walker, Kathy Smit, Kimberly Castro, Jonathan and Jennifer Thompson, Hersch and Maryann Sangster, Dan Kohler

**Speaker:** Cathy Smith Simonka House Been in Keizer for about 20 years, Built around Keizer because they have been a great neighbor, playground funded by Keizer Rotary Medical fully staffed mental health counseling and a peer support person to help woman get to where they need to go

Supportive services which helps women from getting gainfully employed

Mental health needs have tripled in the last few years

Unsafe and hard to serve can still come sleep

Senior citizens have quadrupled 49 woman so far woman who were housed but because of life situations they have lost their housing and very few resources available to the over 61 years of age this group of women stay the longest

Women with children - can stay also used to have age limit but have changed that

Very few areas that could serve them, so UGM did whatever they could serve up to 15 children and 8 woman that they can serve

Employment tract - women look for work or already employed but cannot afford housing because rent tripled help them to help save their money prepare for moving forward help with budget and savings so they can stay quite a while

Life recovery program - women who have substance abuse trauma fellowship program and experience life change, hopeful

Waitlist not really keep one

Open beds up at 4 pm and so woman can call and stay sleep shower and leave mental health issues and still get services

Do have to turn some people away 40 woman 20 children

86 max women and children

Serve 21640 meals so far this year

Age limit for kids? - up through 17 no matter the sex

Toddlers are really the age for children some school age

Affordable housing is the same for all ages no one gets priority

Volunteers needed for Help preparing the food, meal servers, do dishes mopping childcare,

Monday tuesdays and thursday childcare needed

GED program need help with teaching reading math etc tutors

Reception desk really need help with 3 shifts

Clean showers on weekends

Marion polk partner with but food is not as plentiful

Need toothbrushes and shampoos etc

Razors, shaving cream, deodorant,

Dont need over the counter meds

Clothes

Facebook page - UGM facebook page

Actively using cannot stay - if they don't want to use the services then they stay 2-4 weeks while they are helping them transition to another place

### **Elections:**

Jonathan nominated and seconded for Vice Chair for one more year

Hersch for Chair and stay active for one more year

Nominated and seconded for Hersch

Tammy nominated for Secretary and seconded

Still need 2 more board members -

Marlene will stay on the board

Residence or business within our boundary

Board meeting on June 7th to discuss weather or not we will meet in the summer

**Budget update:** budget committee approved 1200 for each of the neighborhood associations for the next fiscal year

Griffin Walker has volunteered to work up a website and social media for our association

**City Council update:** Neighborhood association are very valuable to the city and the council is committed to making sure that we are all successful

**Public works** - graffiti - fill out form on website feedback on the form being submitted

Pickle courts at Keizer Rapids Park -

City putting together Graffiti kits

City Celebration on June 16 and 17 here at city hall. City is turning 40 see website for information

DJ on FRiday night and friendly family event

Flat cake 200 cupcakes photo booth no cost on Friday food carts on Saturday with more entertainment

**Traffic bikeways committee** - Bike skill event for June 10 at 1pm Bike racks from CTEC are finished and ready to be installed

Hopefully overall of traffic neighborhood can work with Bill and city council or traffic safety to help with streets etc

Walkable liveable survey on the city web site encourage all to do the website

New landscapers for the swales doing a great job

Mannix applied for the grant funding for the turf project should know by the end of June

Meeting adjourned at 8:37

Next meeting for board of directors on June 7th