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Terminations:

- All pending terminations have signed mutual terminations for 9/9/22 or 9/16/22

Next Steps for Community Members Exiting 22 North:

- Therapeutic Court System in Whatcom County
 - Drug Court: offers deferred or dismissed sentence for treatment
 - Mental Health: Offers coordinated delivery of services
 - Family therapeutic court:
 - Offer wrap around services
 - Supports housing search
 - Helps family stay on track
- Lifeline Connections offers a Program of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) program
- Law Enforcement Asserted Diversion (LEAD) program offers case management to people with low level substance use and distribution charges as an avenue to treatment and to avoid incarceration
- Sun house:
 - emergency housing and facilitates long term housing
 - offers light medication management
- Recovery House:
 - OC has rehabilitated a licensed facility & acts as property management
 - offers clean and sober housing option
 - serves male identifying individuals age 18 years and older
 - treatment offered onsite by external agency
 - 16 beds
- NWYS plan for clients exiting from homelessness
 - Exit package for living outside
 - Re-added to housing pool
 - Offer housing types: transitional, Husley group home
 - Future Goals: Recovery Homes

Current Events:

- Recent coordination with BPD lead to the arrest of two tenants engaged in drug trafficking activity. As part of the investigation, both units were tested for contamination and will be treated in accordance with Whatcom County Environmental Health Dept. guidelines.
 - Both tenants have signed mutual terminations and will exit the building on or before 9/9/22 (These were tenants already in the eviction process)
 - One of the units had an unattended Guest arrested from one of the two apartments on 8/24. The occupying tenant of this unit was already in process of eviction due to ongoing

guest challenges and conducting criminal activity in the unit. BPD assisted OC in targeting this behavior.

Vacant Units:

- Slowly moving in new residents
- Updated screening process
 - Ensure applicants are appropriate fit for onsite programs or have a pre-existing care team to support applicant's additional needs upon move in

22 North Curb Appeal:

- Dramatically improved since July
- Outreach support for people living outside: OC outreach, NWYS outreach, RSU, Police
- Shelter protection zone aka no sit/lie zone: limits where camps can be established
 - OC supports, only concern is size of zone
 - Responsibility to notify people staying outside of the Shelter Protection Zone put on OC staff, RSU, safety ambassadors
 - Base Camp staff shared mixed results

Community Building Opportunities:

- Busking every Friday, beginning 9/2
- Purple Bag Program: purple trash bags handed out to people living outside to gather their trash and leave out for trash pickup

Other Updates:

- Application submitted to Washington Department of Commerce to request removal of young adult set aside
- Homelessness is a huge challenge, does the county have a plan? **Strategic Plan to End Homelessness in Whatcom County:** <https://cob.org/wp-content/uploads/2019-a-home-for-everyone.pdf>