

CITY STRATEGIC PLAN & HOUSELESS PROGRAMS

City of Missoula Strategic Plan 2020-2023

- Partner with community organizations to ensure adequate shelter for people without a home during the winter months.
- Make homelessness rare and brief through the continued implementation of Reaching Home: Missoula's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness.

Reaching Home: Missoula's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness, Vision 2022

- Missoula needs to be more organized about social spending, and will need to spend more local money on housing solutions.
- Services, treatment and case-management must be more available to those who are homeless, those who've recently moved into housing or those at risk of losing housing.
- Emergency shelter remains available and supported by city, county and private

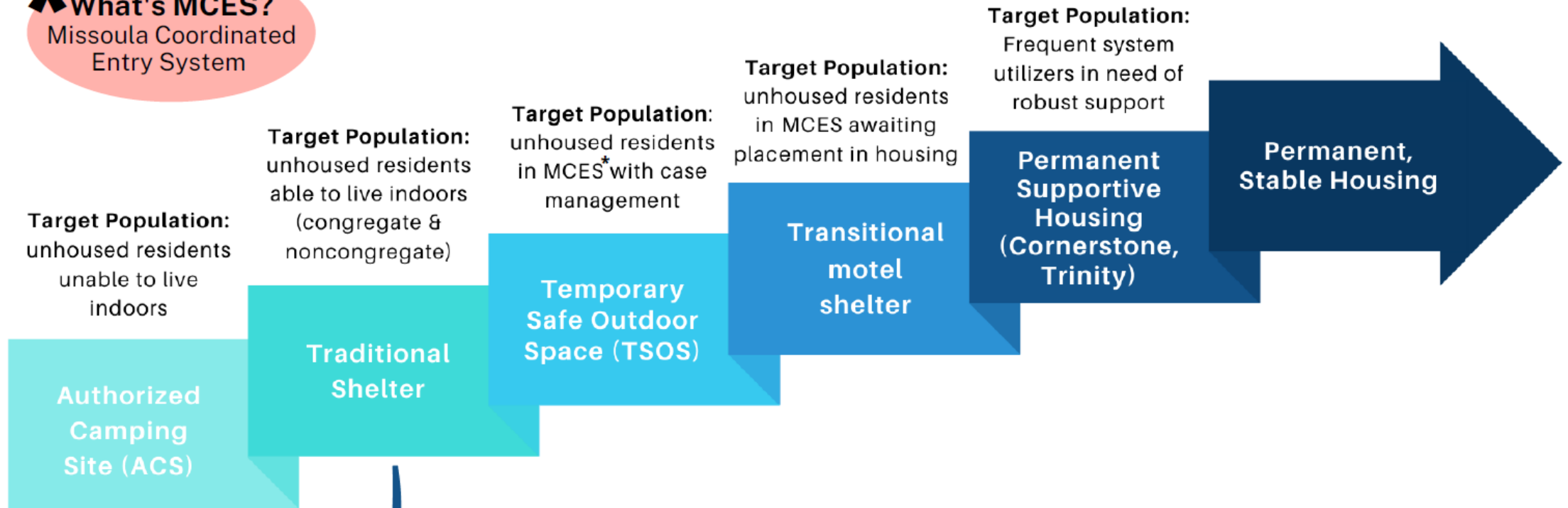
OPERATION SHELTER PROJECTS

- Authorized Camping Site
- Emergency Winter Shelter
- Community Care Team
- Temporary Safe Outdoor Space Expansion

OPERATION SAFE SHELTER

Spectrum of Shelter Options for Missoula

***What's MCES?**
Missoula Coordinated
Entry System



Poverello Center - all people 18+; congregate shelter

Meadowlark Family Housing Center (YWCA/Family Promise) - family & domestic violence shelter; non-congregate

Mountain Home Montana - shelter for young moms and their kiddos; non-congregate

NOTE: Other resources also exist in Missoula such as rapid rehousing, emergency housing, vouchers, etc.

EMERGENCY WINTER SHELTER

GOALS:

1. Keep neighbors alive in winter.
2. Reduce the number of adults sleeping in places not meant for human habitation during Missoula's most inclement weather.

- **Johnson St Community Center, 1919 North Ave W**
 - The parcel is properly zoned for use as a temporary weather-based emergency shelter
- **Max capacity with social distancing = 135 people**
- **24/7 indoor shelter offers warming site for folks who are unhoused/unsheltered**
- **Provides critical hygiene facilities (bathrooms, showers, laundry)**
- **All are welcome who can be safe, kind, and respectful**

**OPEN
HOUSE**
1919 North
Ave W

**Thurs. 10/27
4pm-6:30pm**

EWS FUNDING

- Funded as a program of Operation Shelter, approved in the FY23 budget process

- **City of Missoula: \$350,000 (ARPA funds)**

**ARPA = federal American Rescue Plan Act*

- **Missoula County: \$350,000**

Total EWS '22-'23 budget = \$700,000

EWS CONTRACT HIGHLIGHTS

- Oct. 31, 2022–March 2023, as needs dictate
- Security around shelter and in neighborhood vicinity
- Poverello Center will hire & train staff
- Enroll residents in Missoula Coordinated Entry System
- Conduct neighborhood meetings
- Conduct meetings with law enforcement and first responders

AUTHORIZED CAMPING SITE

NEXT STEPS:

- **Transition neighbors to Winter Shelter and other options better suited for winter living and close site by Nov. 16, 2022.**
- **City and County will work closely with provider partners to support residents as much as possible through the transition.**
- **Collectively understand greatest needs in our continuum of options and iterate on lessons learned.**

SECURITY RFP PROCUREMENT PROCESS

- Released an RFP in late August, due Sept. 14
- Received 4 responses
- City and County review committee convened to review proposals
- Review committee devised updated security model to be responsive to differing shelter and neighborhood needs
- 2 vendors stood out as most aligned with the City and County's values, and most able to meet programmatic needs
- The City is moving forward with one of those vendors, Black Knight Security & Investigations

BLACK KNIGHT CONTRACT HIGHLIGHTS

- **Overlaps and enhances existing Black Knights services:**
 - Parks and Recreation
 - Parking Commission
 - City Hall
- **Roving security presence, 24/7, 365, includes:**
 - Cedar St/Hawthorne St neighborhood
 - Emergency Winter Shelter neighborhood (Johnson St/North Ave)
 - Clark Fork Lane neighborhood
 - Other city sites which may include parks and parking
- **Through June 30, 2023**

BLACK KNIGHT SHELTER SERVICES FUNDING

- Not to exceed \$500,000
- All costs will be split 50/50 between City and County as part of the Operation Shelter Interlocal
- Funded as a program of Operation Shelter, approved in the FY23 budget process
- Fund source is federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

EXISTING SECURITY CONTRACT AMENDMENT

- Extension through Nov. 30, 2022 for services only at Authorized Camping Site to support that site through the winter transition
- Services will end at all other locations on Oct. 31, 2022
- Additional funding needed to cover services through contract extension
 - Additional \$130,000a total not to exceed
 - Funded as a program of Operation Shelter, approved in the FY23 budget process
 - Fund source is federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds

MOTIONS

1. **Authorize the Mayor to sign and execute an agreement with The Poverello Center for the provision of Emergency Winter Shelter services funded by the City of Missoula.**
2. **Authorize the Mayor to sign and execute a contract with Black Knight Security & Investigations for shelter services, overlapping with and enhancing the existing services already being provided by Black Knight for the City of Missoula Parks and Recreation, Parking Commission, and City Hall.**
3. **Authorize the Mayor to sign and execute an amendment to Amendment A8509 with Rogers International to provide one (1) additional month of security services at the Authorized Camping Site.**