

REGIONAL TASK FORCE ON HOMELESSNESS, ADDICTION, AND MENTAL HEALTH

Location: Phil Gainer Community Center
Date: February 26, 2026
Time: 1:00 pm
Meeting called to order by: Dave Parker

IN ATTENDANCE

S. Baker, G. Kerns, J. Kittle, M. Goins, J. Marco, R. Marsteller, A. Morris, D. Parker, K. Shreve, and S. Trudell.

AGENDA DISCUSSION

- a. Public Forum Recap
 - a. Good attendance from the public with positive interaction.
 - b. Livestreamed to expand viewership
 - i. Elkins City Hall Facebook
 - ii. Elkins City Hall YouTube
 - c. Guest speakers who specialize in addiction recovery
 - i. Good response from the public
 - d. Planning to hold Public Forums every 6 months
- b. Scott Baker - Icelandic Model implementation update
 - a. Training for program has begun
 - b. Plan
 - i. 3 control counties
 - ii. 3 counties where program will be implemented
- c. Warming Shelter
 - a. 17 individuals have taken advantage of shelter over 2 weeks
- d. Transportation Program
 - a. Be on the lookout for transportation grant opportunities
 - b. Needs
 - i. Transport children to and from activities
 - ii. Peer support
 1. Assist with transport to treatment facilities
 - c. Program idea
 - i. Donated vehicle
 - ii. Dependable drivers
 1. Rotate who is on call
 2. Possibility of Veteran volunteers
 - iii. Ride along partners
 1. Peers
 2. Recovery community
 - a. Peers in training (go toward community service hours)
 - b. Recovery residents

REPORTS

- a. Updates
 - a. FRN
 - i. Baby Pantry
 - ii. Community Meeting
 1. 3rd Thursday of each month
 2. Alternates in person (Phil Gainer Center) and over zoom

- iii. Hiring Part time position
 - iv. Disaster case management training
 - 1. Planning to be held in September
 - v. Resource guides for each county available at wvfrn.com
 - vi. Training courses being offered each month
 - 1. Sign up to provide training or request training
- b. Valley Health Care
- i. Mental Health Awareness event in May
- c. Salvation Army looking to hire

NEXT MEETING

March 26, 2026, 1:00 pm at the Phil Gainer Community Center.

Discussion topics

- a. Mental Health Services
- b. Transportation for treatment purposes

Live in one of these counties?

Have 18 months in recovery and lived experience with incarceration?



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Region 4

Monongalia, Braxton, Lewis, Harrison, Marion, Preston, Taylor, Tucker, Barbour, Randolph, Gilmer, Doddridge and Upshur Counties

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