## ARORP Arkansas Opioid Recovery Partnership

## **ARORP Advisory Board Monthly Meeting**

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024,* |10:00am

## **Board members**

Danny Ormand – Judge, Lafayette County | Tom Barron – Attorney, Bear State Law | Dr. Jeanne Wei – Chair of the Opioid Stewardship Committee-UAMS | Jerry Jones – Chief Legal and Ethics Officer and Executive Vice President, LiveRamp | Cindy Smith , Strong-Huttig School Board President | Gloria Gordon – Grant Writer, Researcher | Kaitlynn Ford – Youth Advocate, Union | John Wilkerson – General Counsel, Arkansas Municipal League | Colin Jorgensen – Litigation Attorney, Association of Arkansas Counties | Dr. Virginia Stanick – Retired Project Director, The State Opioid Response Project | Tim Helder, ,Sheriff Washington County | Danny Bradley – Retired Police Chief, North Little Rock Police Department |

Time:	Items	Owner
10:00am-10:05am	Welcome	Kirk Lane
10:05-10:10am	Introduction	TBarnes
10:01am-10:15am	Evaluation Update via Zoom	Dr. Rodney Wambeam
10:16am-10:30am	Settlement Funding Update	Colin/John
10:35am	<ul> <li>ARORP ORT Proposal Presentation:</li> <li>24-300 Miller County Dept (\$475,387.42) (K)</li> <li>24-317 18<sup>th</sup> West Judicial District DTF (\$428,918.96) (K)</li> </ul> ARORP Direct Proposal Presentation: <ul> <li>24-356 Mangan Holcomb Partners (MHPSI) (\$985,000) (T)</li> <li>24-357 Hot Springs Conventions Center (\$38,035.00) (T)</li> </ul> ARORP General Proposal Presentation: <ul> <li>24-309 Riverview Hope Center (\$63,219.50) (K)</li> <li>24-274 Change Behavioral Health (\$381,138.92) (K)</li> </ul>	Kirk Lane/TBarnes
	ARORP Updates: <ul> <li>23-117- Invade Transition Home (see letter) (T)</li> <li>Denial Log/Discussion/Questions</li> <li>Announcements /Adjournment</li> </ul>	Kirk/Tenesha All ARORP TEAM



## ARORP,

We are asking for approval to have moved the tiny home purchased with the funding from project ARORP23-117, from the original address of the project to our graduate house property, approximately 7 miles away.

Shortly after the funding we found out that we had a \$60K septic issue. The issue was due to the tiny home needing to have its plumbing tied into the current septic system. At that point we were in a situation where we thought our ARORP budget would need to be revised. The proposed revision was to include stopping the pay of the director (\$35K) as well as decreasing the pay to the peer (\$28k). We exhausted every resource and possible plan to find a cheaper solution to the septic crisis. The tiny home expenditures along with the pay was put on hold. As of 30 days ago, we learned that if we moved the tiny home to our other property, we could install a \$4500 septic system for the home. The tiny home was to house our peer specialist to which the plan remains the same on that. She will live in the tiny home on our graduate house property while still maintaining her peer specialist duties at both locations. Our Invade home, purchased with the funding, will still house 10 ladies along with our full-time house leader. Nothing has changed in our nature of practice with the recovery home.

Now that we have found a solution to our septic crisis, we would like to resume the pay of the Director as well as the Peer Specialist. We still need to pay our peer the \$3271 left in the budget as well as \$19, 416.70 to the director.

We also need to pay for the necessary plumbing, electrical and furniture for the tiny home. All of this money is still in our budget.

Christen Higgins, Director