

Joint Office of Homeless Services CBAC Report

TO: Chair Jessica Vega Pederson and Board of County Commissioners
FROM: JOHS Community Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC)
DATE: March 14, 2025
SUBJECT: JOHS Community Budget Advisory Committee Report

The JOHS CBAC plans to continue reviewing the JOHS budget proposal over the next several weeks, ask questions, and submit a second letter after the Chair's budget is released.

PRIORITIES

Overall, should more funding be made available for JOHS, these are the kinds of programs we would like to see prioritized:

- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Eviction Prevention
- Culturally Specific & Responsive Services,
- Rent Assistance
- Wrap-Around Services to Families and Singles
- Accountability, Transparency
- Employment Services

We did not have sufficient time to review the JOHS budget to provide more extensive review. This process was disappointing. To have so little time to review an accurate budget dishonors the memories of the hundreds of people dying on our streets each year and the hundreds more we expect will perish this year.

CBAC MEMBERS

Members of the JOHS CBAC this year include:

1. Nicki Dardinger
2. Nathan Williams
3. Christine Hermann
4. Anisa Ali
5. Darius Mani Yaw
6. Cameron Foster

7. Daniel DeMelo

The following additional members served but were technically not appointed. Their term begins March 15, one day after this letter is due.

1. Amanda Garren
2. Lisa Drennan
3. Wendy Lear

This report was approved at the March 10, 2025, meeting by Nicki Dardinger, Darius Mani Yaw, Anisa Ali, Cameron Foster, and Daniel DeMelo (other CBAC members were absent).