



County Strategies to Provide Supportive Housing for Familiar Faces

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Supportive Housing, briefly



“**Supportive housing** is an innovative and proven solution to some of communities' toughest problems. It **combines affordable housing with services** that help people who face the most complex challenges **to live with stability, autonomy and dignity.**”

- csh.org

Supportive Housing, briefly

- Data-driven and evidenced-based intervention
- Deep housing subsidy with often intensive wraparound and tailored supports
- Scarce resource in many communities
- Often prioritized to persons with complex health or other barriers, who may or may not be experiencing homelessness

Who are Familiar Faces?

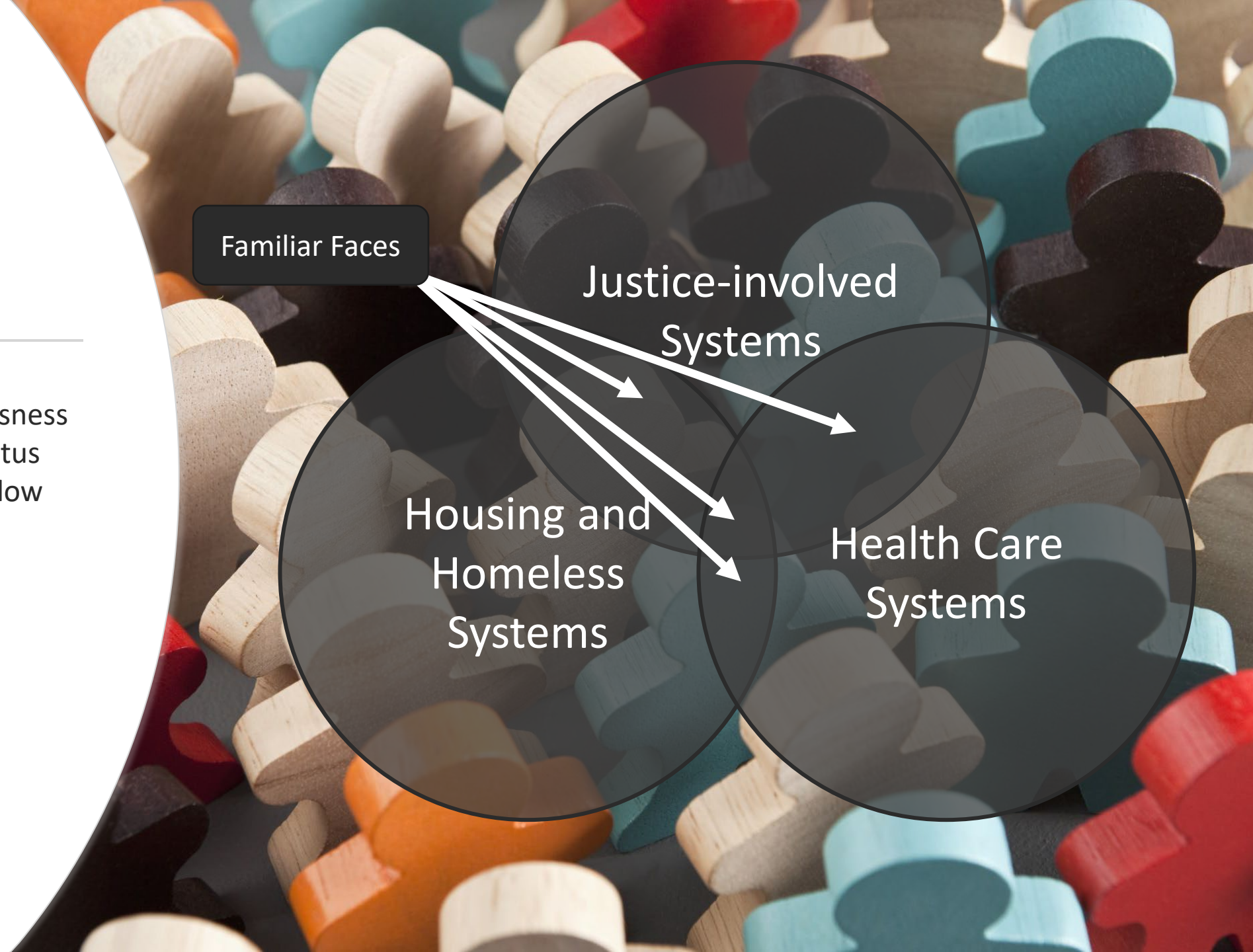
- Periods of institutional involvement and homelessness
- Often lack "chronicity" status
- Siloed service provision allow for frequent use to go undetected
- Community-determined definition and measures

Familiar Faces

Justice-involved
Systems

Housing and
Homeless
Systems

Health Care
Systems



One Approach: FUSE

- Step 1: Identify a Champion and Project Manager
- Step 2: Assemble a Cross Systems Planning Team
- Step 3: Execute a Cross Systems Data Match
- Step 4: Create SH Pipeline
- Step 5: Secure Evaluation Resources

Planning



- Step 6: Create Referral Process
- Step 7: Inreach /Outreach, Lease up
- Step 8: Implementation Monitoring and Support

Implementation

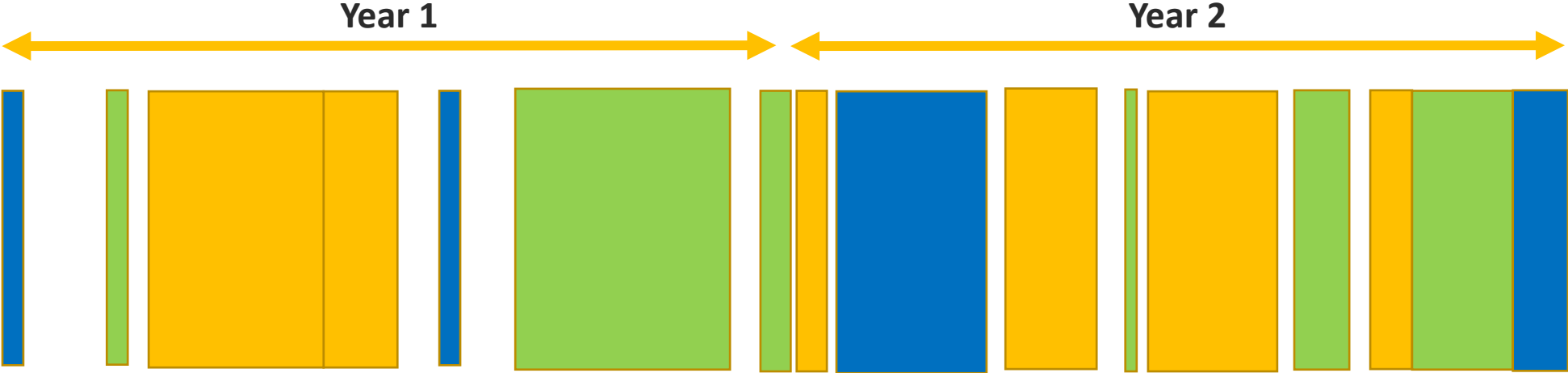


- Step 9: Determine Scaling Needs
- Step 10: Identify Financing for Scaled FUSE

Scaling & Replication



Fill in the Gaps – Tell a Story



Inpatient Hospital Stays



Booked in Jail



Time Experiencing Homelessness and in Shelters



Unknown

Community Examples of Supportive Housing Finance

Housing Units/ Vouchers

- CoC Funds
- MH/BH jail diversion funds
- HUD 811 / Mainstream HCV
- Private philanthropic funding
- Local government general funds

Supportive Services

- CoC Funds
- MH/BH jail diversion funds
- Local government tax funds
- Local government general funds
- Medicaid billing

A photograph showing several hands of different skin tones raised in a gesture of support or agreement. The hands are positioned in the foreground and background, creating a sense of depth and collective effort. The lighting is soft and natural, highlighting the textures of the skin and the veins on the palms.

Including Persons with Lived Experience is Non-Negotiable

- Not just "checking a box"
- Incorporated in all efforts
- Requires time and thought
- Enriches and strengthens projects
- Compensation, both type and amount



Being Racially Explicit and Including Racial Equity is Non-Negotiable

- Importance of being racially explicit
- Collection and analysis of disaggregated data on demographics is minimum starting point
- Decision making and data analysis
- Incorporate community's existing or ongoing interest, effort, or analysis of racial disparities in systems
- Resources are out there (e.g., HUD tools)



FUSE in Multnomah County

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FUSE 1.0 Key Findings

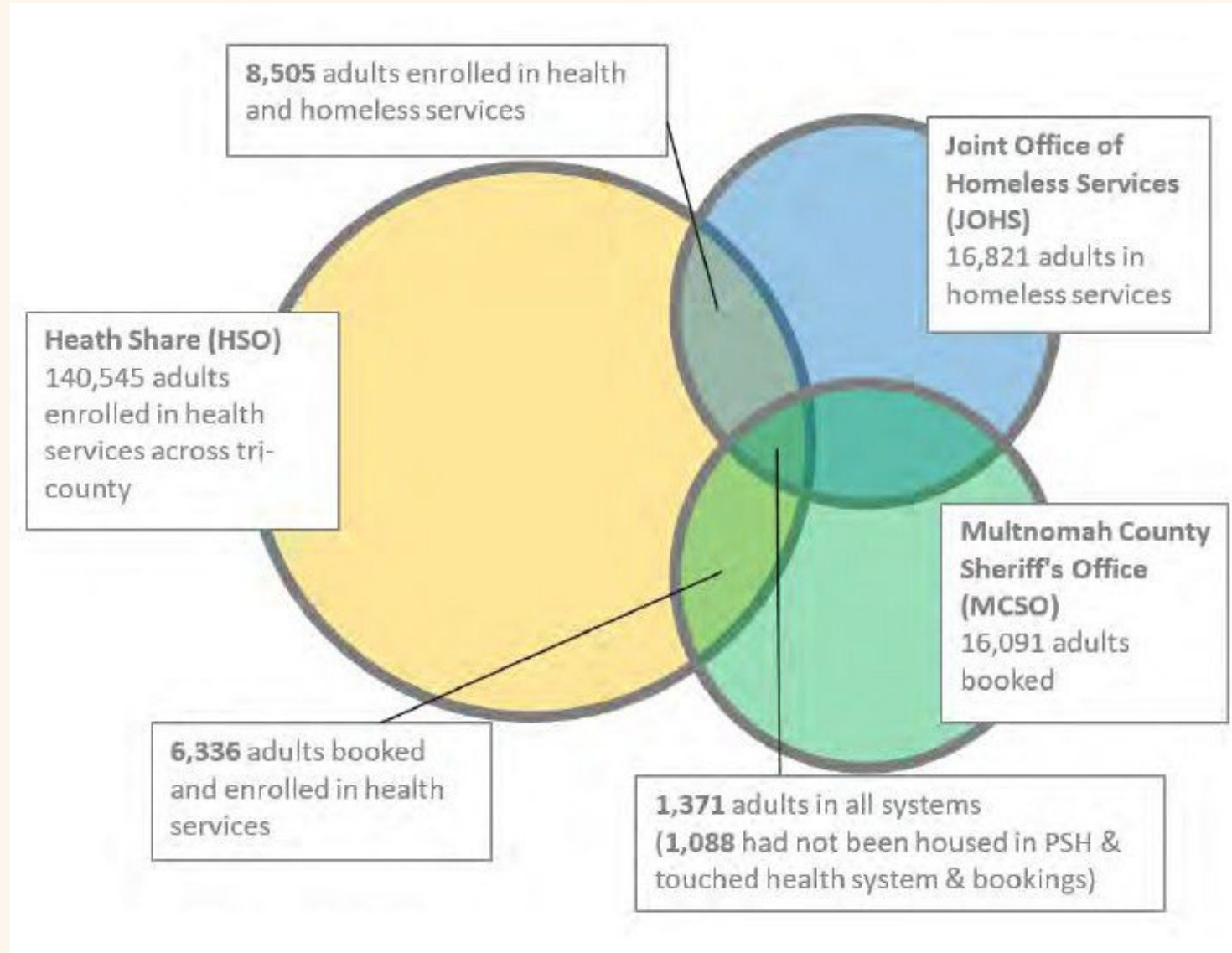
Highly impacted people often cycle through and are overrepresented in jails, shelters [and on the streets], hospitals and other crisis services

Supportive Housing reduces adverse system interactions & need for high system utilization particularly for inpatient psych

Supportive Housing demonstrates cost savings

Need to identify people touching multiple systems to coordinate services & connect to housing

Need intensive & individualized support across systems



Goals of FUSE 2.0 project

- Move forward on the lessons learned from FUSE 1.0
- FUSE as a catalyst for system change
- Help fund providers in a new or different way for serving FUSE population (aka individuals heavily impacted by the criminal justice, health and homelessness systems)
- Build partnerships and referrals pathways to house and provide services to FUSE population, *and* keep them housed
- Use FUSE implementation to further engage providers and participants about service, funding and partnership needs

Where we are now?

✓ • Step 1: Identify a Champion and Project Manager

✓ • Step 2: Assemble a Cross Systems Planning Team

• Step 3: Execute a Cross Systems Data Match

• Step 4: Create SH Pipeline

Planning



• Step 5: Create Referral Process

• Step 6: Inreach /Outreach, Lease up

• Step 7: Implementation Monitoring and Support + Ongoing Community Engag.

Implementation

• Step 8: Determine Scaling Needs

• Step 9: Identify Financing for Scaled FUSE

• Step 10: Replicate

Scaling & Replication



Supportive Housing for Familiar Faces

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Anawim Housing



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PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Anawim Housing's mission is to develop stable homes and strengthen people and communities. We have been implementing Permanent Supportive Housing since 1997.

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Monarch Apartments:



Monarch Apartments:

- ❖ A single site Hotel conversion project designed to support people experiencing homelessness with multiple barriers.
- ❖ Utilizing Centralized intake and funded outside HUD CoC dollars- so issues of prioritizing chronicity can be avoided but highly vulnerable and non-chronic people can be served.
- ❖ Not funded by HUD does NOT mean not Housing First. Voluntarily participating in CI and utilizing HF and other Evidence Based Practices are essential in addressing MA use.

Funding Sources:

- ❖ Polk County \$1M
 - ❖ Polk County (ARPA) \$1.6M
 - ❖ City of Des Moines (HOME) \$1M
 - ❖ Iowa Finance Authority (HOME) \$1M
 - ❖ Polk County Housing Trust Fund \$345K
 - ❖ Prairie Meadows \$350K
 - ❖ Limited debt
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- ❖ Acquisition Cost \$2.6M
 - ❖ Construction Cost \$3M



Group Discussion

Can each of you talk about how a county would get started in bringing FUSE or a Monarch Apartments type project to their jurisdiction?

What is one thing you wish you would've known before starting this initiative?



Questions?

A photograph of a beach promenade at sunset. The sky is a deep blue, and the sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. Several tall palm trees are silhouetted against the sky. In the foreground, there is a paved walkway with some people walking. A white, wavy underline is positioned below the text.

Thank you!