

## **Structured Networking: Addressing Homelessness and Behavioral Health in Communities, Big and Small – Thursday, July 21 at 10:45 am**

**Rachael Fuller, Nina Vetter, and Stephanie Betteridge – Facilitator**

### **Eric King**

Pronouns: he/him

Eric King began his career in local government working for the City of Portland. In his 10 years there, he worked on a variety of projects and programs focusing on economic development and program management. He began working for the City of Bend as Assistant City Manager in April, 2007 and accepted the position of City Manager in May, 2008.

Eric was born and raised in Madison, Wisconsin. He has a Masters Degree in Urban and Regional Planning and a Graduate Certificate in Real Estate Development from Portland State University. Eric currently services on the KIDS Center Board and has served on the Visit Bend and Oregon City/County Managers' Association Boards as well as volunteered with SMART- promoting early childhood literacy.

Eric loves Bend for its scenic beauty, the multitude of outdoor activities it offers, and most importantly, he and his wife Martha believe Bend is an ideal place to raise their two children.

### **Lindsey Stailing**

Pronouns: She/Her

A graduate of Stonehill, College (BA in International Studies and Spanish Language), Lindsey completed two terms of service with AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) working in communities throughout the southwest United States. With AmeriCorps Lindsey spent time building trails, homes and responding to disaster affected communities in Galveston, Texas, and American Samoa. Joining the Youth Services team at Goodwill Industries of Denver she worked with youth at risk of not completing high school and first-generation college students. Lindsey moved to Central Oregon in 2013 for a position with Heart of Oregon Corps working for the YouthBuild program. Eight years ago, Lindsey joined the Mosaic Medical team, a community health center serving Bend, Redmond, Madras and Prineville. Mosaic clinics accept patients of all incomes and regardless of insurance status.

At Mosaic Lindsey is a Program Manager responsible for the Community Health Worker and Language Access Services. Her passion is working at the intersection of health and

social services to contribute to the wellbeing of our community. Lindsey also volunteers her to the Homeless Leadership Coalition, the region's designated continuum of care. She believes that everyone, regardless of income or circumstances, deserves a safe place to sleep at night. Lindsey is a Leadership Bend alum (2020).

### **Josh Crites**

Assistant Director-Department of Housing Services- Washington County

Josh has 15 plus years of experience in affordable housing and homeless program administration working with housing agencies across the U.S. and Europe. Josh started his career by working with high performing housing authorities in Washington State. His work included implementing large scale changes in policies in Seattle and Tacoma that helped increase affordable housing supply, added additional tenant services while streamlining administrative operations. As a German Chancellor in 2014/2015, Josh worked with the German, Dutch and Scottish Social Housing sectors helping to optimize programs while also partnering to outline policy alternatives in several housing organizations. Josh began working with homeless programs and Medicaid program as the Housing Administrator for Arizona's Medicaid Department (AHCCCS). In that role he brought together both housing subsidies and Medicaid covered services to help house thousands of Arizona's most vulnerable residents and worked to reshape the design of the programs. In his current role, Josh oversees both Washington County's federal public housing programs and homeless programs under an integrated County Department.

### **Blair Larsen**

Blair grew up in the Washington, DC area and lived in several other states before settling in rural Oregon. He currently serves as Community and Economic Development Director for the City of Sweet Home, a position he has held since 2019. Previously, he served as City Manager for the City of Stanfield, Oregon from 2013 to 2019. Prior to that position, he was a Budget Analyst for Broward County (Ft. Lauderdale Area), Florida from 2010 to 2013.

Blair holds Juris Doctor and Master of Public Administration degrees from Brigham Young University, and Bachelor of Arts degrees in Russian and Media Arts Studies, also from BYU.

## **Tyler Stone**

Tyler Stone serves as the Chief Administrative Officer for Wasco County and the Co-Administrator for Quality Life Networks (QLife), a City/County owned middle mile provider of fiber optic connectivity. He also serves on the City/County Insurance (CIS) Board of Trustees. For over a year, Tyler and Wasco County have provided executive support and coaching to Mid-Columbia Center for Living as they recover from fiscal and staffing challenges. Tyler served as one of three Unified Commanders for a four-county Covid-19 response team. Additionally, Tyler served as the lead negotiator for the most recent Strategic Investment Program Abatement Agreement with Google.

Other roles Tyler has filled include President and Past President of the Oregon Chapter of County Administrators, Association of Oregon Counties (AOC) Board of Directors, AOC Governance Committee and Legislative Affairs Committee and National Association of Counties Finance and Pensions Committee. Previous positions include Human Resources and Organizational Development roles in both the medical and construction sectors.

Tyler is a graduate of Pacific Lutheran University with dual degrees in Business and Science and holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Portland State University. In addition, he has completed County Colleges both through the Association of Oregon Counties as well as the Oregon County Leadership Institute through Portland State's Center for Public Service. Tyler has served as a member of the Board of Examiners for the Baldrige National Quality Award as both an Examiner and Senior Examiner.