

### CITY COMMISSION STUDY SESSION TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018

### OUR CURRENT BOARD

- Thea Perry, President
- Heather Eichhorn, Vice President
- Shabrie Perico, Secretary
- John Magnuson, Treasurer > Keith Nowland, Treasurer (1/1/2019)
- Eileen Horn
- Isabel Fernandez Johnson
- Iill DeVries Jolicoeur, ex officio
- Ahsan Latif
- Will Moneymaker
- Robert Weaver
- Dan White
- Ellen Willets, ex officio
- Jackie Counts, John Tacha, R., and John Magnuson terms end 12/31/2018





## OUR MISSION:

The mission of the Lawrence Community Shelter is to provide a safe shelter and comprehensive programs that set individuals and families facing homelessness on a path to a positive future.

### OUR HISTORY

- Founded in 2005 as non-profit the Lawrence Open Shelter and the Community Drop-In Center
- Merged into the Lawrence Community Shelter
- Moved to 3655 East 25th Street in 2012
- Initially 21 beds, now 125

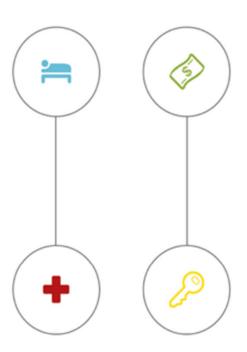
#### WHAT WE DO



With 125 beds, we furnish a safe and secure environment. Our kitchen serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner every day, averaging 5,250 meals each month.

#### Medical Services

In collaboration with numerous local agencies and resources, our Case Managers promote the physical and mental well-being of each individual and family at the shelter.



#### Employment

Fostering the life skills needed to be successful at work, at home, and in the community, our Employment Program helps guests find and secure temporary and permanent jobs.

#### Housing

Our Case Managers assist with housing applications and work with local landlords and community agencies in order to help our guests find affordable, permanent housing.

#### THE LCS MANAGEMENT - CURRENT

- Executive Director
- **Two Assistant Directors Charles Frager and Kenny Yates**
- Director of Family Programs Sheryl Sanders
- **2** FTE + 1 PTE Case Manager Neil Iles, Robert Kortlucke, Sally Bartlett
- I FTE + Kitchen Assistant
- **1** FTE Direct Service Supervisor Michael Henninger
- 9 FTE + 2 PTE Direct Service Advocate
- I FTE Custodian/ Laundry Anthony Laster
- I PTE Volunteer Coordinator/ Admin. Assistant Sarah Campbell



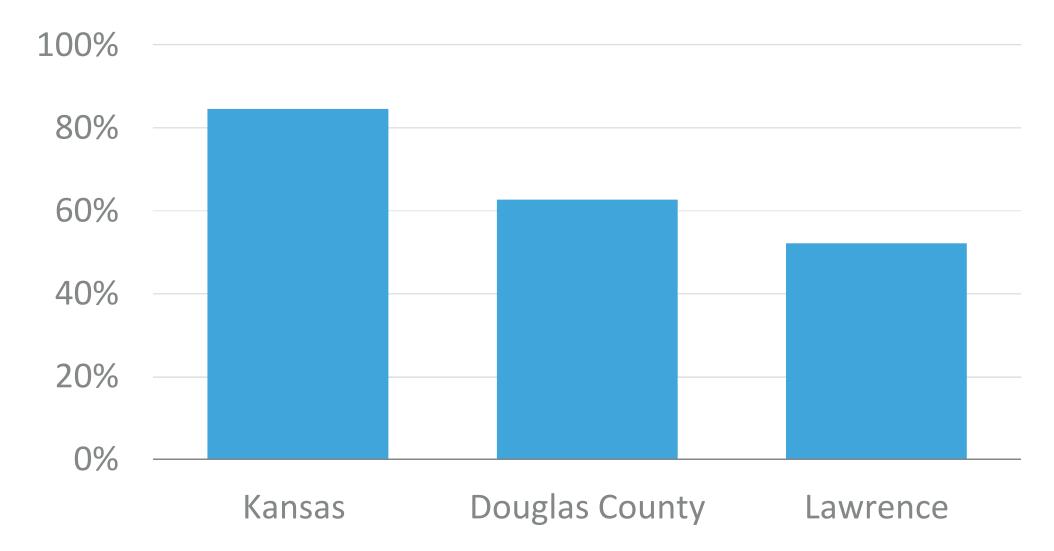
# 2017-18 ACCOMPLISH MENTS

### LAWRENCE COMMUNITY SHELTER

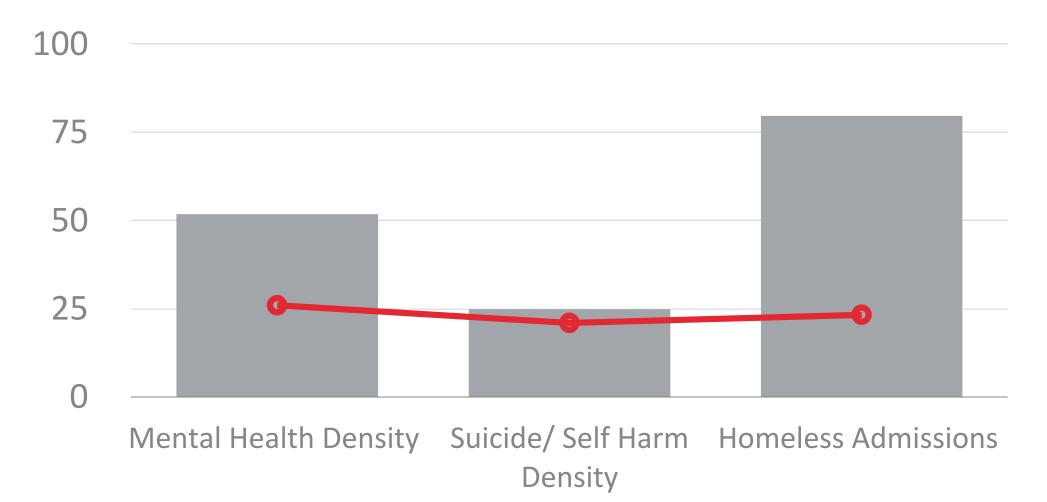
#### ? Transparency

- Relationship Building County and Partnering Agencies November Workgroup Meeting
- Energy Audit steps we have taken
- Data Collection -
  - MyResourceConnection
  - Census Data Who LCS Serves

#### **COMPARATIVE CLIENT DISTRIBUTION**



#### LCS COMPARISON TO NATIONAL AVERAGES



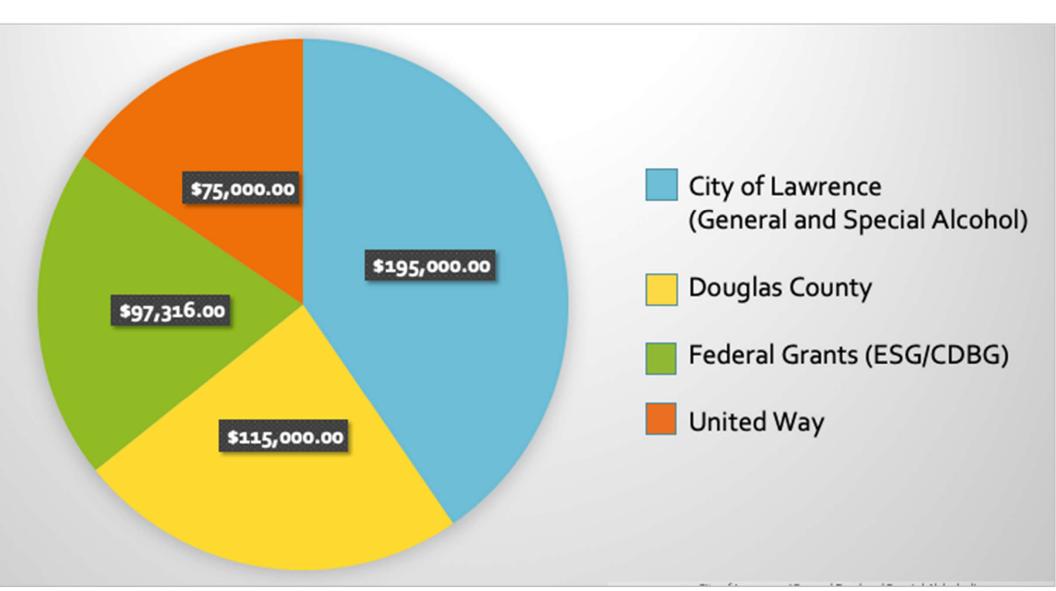
**Gray - LCS / Red - National Average for Homeless Persons** 

#### 2019 BUDGET SHORTFALL

- Fixed Facility Costs
  - Building Mortgage
  - Building Maintenance
- Utility Costs
- Staffing Costs
  - **24/7** Staffing Costs
  - Staffing coverage to maintain safety and deliver quality services
  - Paying living wage to attract and retain staff



#### 2019 SOURCE OF STABLE FUNDS = \$482,316



#### LCS FUNDING GAP

2019 Budget Stable Funding Volatile Funding \$1,157,000 - \$482,000 - \$429,000

### 2019 Projected Gap \$246,000

#### FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

- Past Recommendations
  - **2015** Audit
  - What Has Been Done
- Learned from the November Partner Workgroup
  - Resource Sharing Case Management
  - LCS Address Partner Survey Solutions
  - In-Kind Support, Other Shared Resources



## TRANSITION PLAN FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



## NEW MODEL

### What We Are Studying

## MOVING FORWARD: IDEAS WE ARE

- The Emergency-Only-Shelter Model promote safety, shelter and trauma reduction
- Board Governance Plan
  - Strong committees to include diverse community members to support fundraising, communications/public relations, and facility improvements
- Strong Communication Plan
  - Myth-busting articles/media opportunities educating the community and partner agencies on how the organization functions and who it serves
  - Q and A with the community
  - Finding a way to be more in the public eye in a positive way
- Continue Partner Agency Study Sessions to enhance engagement in transparent and collaborative ways

