



Linn Together Meeting		
April 15, 2026	12:00 – 1:00 PM	In-person & virtual Linn County Armory Building Albany, Oregon
Type of meeting	General Meeting	
Facilitator	Shannon Snair	
Notetaker	Julie Mercer	
Attendees	Christian Colaci, Dani Crabtree, Jennifer Cabral-Ireland, Emma Deane, Tierra Downing, Sue Harte, Angie Jansen, Carter Kachel, Ashley LeFever, Julie Mercer, Rob Perkins, Rose Reader, Shannon Snair	
Linn Together Updates & Approval of Minutes		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Linn Together March 18, 2026 meeting minutes were approved.</li> <li>HP in Corvallis selected Linn Together as one of the recipients of their “HP We Day” community service event on Friday, April 24. A team of 12 HP employees will assemble prevention resource bags for Linn Together to distribute at outreach events this spring and summer.</li> </ul>		
Linn Together Community Outreach Events		
Presenter	Ashley	
Discussion	<p><b>Recent Events:</b> Linn Together hosted a Family Trivia Night at Lacombe School on April 14. Seven families attended the event.</p> <p><b>Upcoming Events:</b> May 12 -- Family Trivia Night for Scio 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade families May 12 – LBCC SpringFest May 27 -- Lebanon Sources of Strength Wellness Fair</p> <p>Volunteers are needed to help host Linn Together at SpringFest and Sources of Strength. Carter said he can help at the SpringFest event.</p>	
Special Guest: Emma Deane, Executive Director, CHANCE Recovery		
Presenter	Emma	
Discussion	<p>Emma gave an overview of CHANCE’s services in the community. CHANCE served 1,347 individuals last month.</p> <p>Services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winter shelter, summer cooling shelter</li> <li>Family shelter</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gamblers Anonymous and Alcoholic Anonymous support groups</li> <li>• Peer Support services (30 peer mentors)</li> <li>• Peer support training and certification</li> <li>• Medical and dental clinics</li> <li>• Medication Assisted Therapy (Ideal Options)</li> <li>• Showers and laundry services (Monday – Friday)</li> <li>• Free coats and sleeping bags</li> <li>• Meals (serve 6,000 per month)</li> <li>• Transportation</li> </ul> <p>Current needs include paper goods and household supplies.</p> <p>CHANCE is renting a new office space in Lebanon, which will be open soon.</p>
April 1 “High in Plain Sight” Training Debrief and Evaluation Discussion	
Presenter	Julie
	<p>Approximately 260 people attended Linn Together’s April 1 “High in Plain Sight” training with Officer Jermaine Galloway. Of those, 76 participants completed the online evaluation.</p> <p>Overall feedback was very positive. Ninety-nine percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that the training met their expectations. Additionally, 100% agreed or strongly agreed that the training was informative, and 100% agreed or strongly agreed that the presenter was knowledgeable.</p> <p>Some participants noted that portions of the training felt rushed or moved too quickly. They suggested providing printed materials or access to the PowerPoint, as well as adding subtitles to video clips.</p> <p>Regarding the facility, 92% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that it was comfortable. However, several participants commented that the room was too cold and expressed a preference for table seating instead of theater-style seating. Some also suggested offering coffee.</p> <p>Members discussed logistical concerns with the venue, noting that facility staff were not on-site and the space was not prepared upon arrival at 8:00 a.m. Julie has contacted LBCC President Dr. Lisa Avery and will meet with her to follow up.</p>

	<p>Rob shared a concern raised by his Assessment Team regarding the training content. Because the presentation included information about substances that could potentially be misused, members discussed how to ensure that attendees are appropriate audiences for this material.</p> <p>The group considered options such as vetting attendees in advance or working with the presenter to modify content as needed.</p>
Partner Updates	
Presenter	All
Discussion	<i>Family Tree Relief Nursery</i> – Carter shared that FTRN has published their list of 2026 trainings, which are open to the public. He will forward the information to the group.

Next Linn Together meeting:  
 May 20, 2026  
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 Virtual option available