

BRIDGES TO HOUSING:

UPDATE ON EFFORTS TO
ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS
IN NEVADA COUNTY



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BACKGROUND

“A” Priorities for the Board of Supervisors for FY 19/20

- In partnership with community providers and other jurisdictions, build an expanded system of coordinated care, outreach, transitional and permanent housing, and supportive services to address the needs of the homeless population and to mitigate impacts to the community.
- Coordinate with local jurisdictions, developers and other partners to maximize leveraging opportunities with new state funding for affordable and workforce housing development.



AREAS OF FOCUS RELATED TO BOARD PRIORITIES

2018 Primary Goals



Implement coordinated multi-disciplinary homeless outreach and housing case management



- HOME Team contacted 63 individuals, 38 intakes completed with at least 24 being case managed
- Low Barrier “Outreach Dorm” 222 people served
- Recuperative Care 39 served
- Housing and Advocacy Disability Program 63 SSI applications submitted

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2018 Primary Goals



Implement a Navigation (Day Services) Center to provide comprehensive day-services and activities.



- Location remains a challenge
- Seeking to build our own Center
- Enhancing partnerships with local non-profits

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Implement a housing first pilot program to house the most vulnerable homeless individuals.



- 15 beds in three master leased houses - seeking additional homes- including Truckee
- 32 individuals housed for an average of 114 days
- Applying for additional funds for specialty groups like criminally diverted or high Emergency Room utilizers

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Be prepared and positioned well for No Place Like Home



- No Place Like Home Application received \$1.6M in Round 1 funding
- Also received \$500K in HEAP funding
- 41 units of affordable housing with 12 reserved for severely mentally ill
- Actively seeking NPLH Round 2 partnership

PROTECTING OUR VULNERABLE RESIDENTS



Courtyard Apartments Affordability

- 41 units of affordable housing preserved



Senior Housing in Lone Oak Project

- 31 units of new housing for seniors



Expanded Extreme Weather Shelter Capacity

- 22 nights of shelter in Nevada City
- 25.5 people per night
- Expanding support in Truckee and North San Juan



Demerging of Continuum of Care to increase funding

- Homeless Emergency Aid Program funding secured
- California Emergency Solutions and Housing funds coming soon



STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS



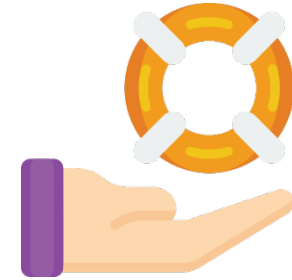
Communication

- Regular reports of program activities to CoC
- Track activities in ClearPoint
- Communicate County priorities to CoC and interested groups
- Provide update to County activities through ClearPoint



Affordable Housing

- Seek affordable housing partnerships, projects, and potential developers while expanding temporary beds
- Educate landlords on services and support for homeless residents
- Seek grant funding for Board priorities



Services

- Continue to expand bed capacity
- Protect those at risk
- Continue to seek a Navigation Center solution
- Expand master leasing with intensive case management
- Join Built for Zero

THINGS TO EXPECT

- Announcement on TCAC construction funding for Lone Oak
- Re-submission of Brunswick Commons to TCAC in March 2020
- Board action on next round of CDBG funding early next year
- Contract acceptance on HOME Down Payment Assistance grant
- Potential future site control situations to qualify for grant funding



QUESTIONS?

