

STANISLAUS HOMELESS ALLIANCE

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MINUTES

Wednesday, July 8, 2020
5:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Zoom Meeting

- I. **Roll Call – Stanislaus Homeless Alliance (SHA) Representatives**
Meeting called to order by Chairman Brad Hawn at 5:45 p.m. (See Attachment A for Roll Call)
- II. **Public Comment Period**
No public comment.
- III. **Consent Items**
 - a. **Approval of the Minutes for the March 11, 2020 Meeting**
On a motion by Christopher Smith and seconded by Luis Uribe, the minutes were unanimously approved (10/0).
- IV. **Action Items – no action items**
- V. **COVID-19 Emergency Updates**
 - a. **Existing Homeless Shelters**
Dana Bailey, Senior Housing & Homeless Services Manager of the Community Services Agency, shared that the Weekly Shelter Directors meetings have continued, as a forum to exchange information and request supplies.

Jason Conway shared about the recent COVID-19 outbreak at the Modesto Gospel Mission. Thanked Public Health and County staff for the support and guidance with this situation.
 - b. **Project Roomkey – The Modesto Hotel**
Tina Rocha, Interim Housing & Homeless Services Assistant Director of the Community Services Agency, provided an update on Project Roomkey in Stanislaus County. As of July 8, 2020, 110 individuals are sheltered at the Modesto Hotel. A data fact sheet is being prepared that will include some health data compiled by public health nurses. Confirmed criteria – age 65 or older or with underlying health conditions. Space is available per referral by public health. An update was provided to the Board of Supervisors on June 23, 2020 with an additional update scheduled for July 14, 2020.
 - c. **Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act**
 - i. **Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)**
Ana San Nicolas shared information on applicants who applied for ESG CARES 2019 Allocation Round 1 Funding. Total amount for activities- County Program Area (\$685,600), Urban County Area (\$558,975)

ii. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Ana San Nicolas shared information on applicants who applied for CDBG CARES 2019 Allocation Round 1 Funding Applications. Total amount for activities- All Program Areas (\$1,087,196)

VI. Informational Items

a. General Funding Update

i. Homeless Housing Assistance Prevention Program (HHAP)

Leng Power provided an update for the HHAP funding program which included the breakdown of the HHAP funds for Stanislaus County- Community System of Care (\$1,812,243.27), Youth Service Set Aside (\$181,224.33), and Infrastructure Development for Coordinated Entry System or Homeless Management Information Systems (\$113,265.20). 50% of HHAP funds must be obligated by 2023 and 100% of funds must be fully expended by 2025. The HHAP Youth Services request for proposal timeline was presented which is set to begin August 2020.

b. 2020 Point-In-Time Count

Kyle DeJesus shared that the Point-In-Time (PIT) and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) reports were both submitted to HUD by the June 30, 2020 deadline. Once the analysis of data is complete, a detailed report and summary (community report) will be distributed. The community report is expected to be finished within the next two weeks.

c. Governor's 100-Day Challenge

Leng Power provided an update for the Governor's 100-Day Challenge. The 100-Day Challenge ends on September 3, 2020 and the goal is to find permanent housing for all guests of Project Roomkey and engage landlords in Stanislaus County. The workgroup has four core focus areas (workstreams)- landlord engagement, data collection, service coordination, and communications. The workgroup is approaching midway point into the challenge effort.

d. Kansas House

Building A is open with one vacancy due to a recent eviction. Installation of the water line is scheduled to be completed by July 17, 2020. At that time, Buildings B, C & D will be available for occupancy. Through the Coordinated Entry System, there is a sufficient number of individuals/families on the eligible list to fill the remaining buildings through excellent community partner participation and cooperation.

e. HMIS / Coordinated Entry / Racial Equity

Dana Bailey shared that the CDC and HUD has published information confirming communities of color have been heavily impacted by COVID-19 due to a number of

factors. Information produced by HUD regarding equity, housing and COVID-19 can be found at <https://www.hudexchange.info/>. The Stanislaus COVID-19 Dashboard shows that while the Latino population makes up 40 percent of Stanislaus County residents, they account for 80 percent of COVID-19 cases. This information is being evaluated and is being considered in all housing opportunities and services, with a goal to decrease inequity. Homelessness data from the HMIS system shows that about 60 percent of individuals receiving housing service are white/non-Latino and 40 percent are Latino.

Ms. Bailey shared that CSA is coordinating with the CEO's office and other partnerships with local groups, organizations and other County departments to outreach to communities of color and distribute information.

f. Stanislaus Community System of Care

The CSOC Board will meet on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 2:30 PM.

VII. SHA Representative Updates

Ceres, Riverbank, Turlock, Focus on Prevention: No updates

Modesto: Mayor Ted Brandvold had shared the following upcoming projects:

- 522 E. Granger - Partnership with STANCO for 4 units permanent supportive housing for clients with mental illness. Fully Occupied- Virtual Open House date to be determined
- Archway Commons Phase II- Partnership with EAH; will offer 74 units of affordable rental housing. Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Grant – \$24.2 Million awarded by State. Construction: April 2021- May 2021. Occupancy: March 2022
- Vine Street - Partnership with Housing Authority; Will provide 35 units of affordable rental housing; King Kennedy Veteran Housing: 23 Veteran Permanent Supportive Housing. Pending a City of Modesto HOME Allocation in September 2020. Construction: September 2020- March 2021. Occupancy: April 2021

Oakdale: Councilmember Christopher Smith yielded to Barbara Kauss for an update on Oak Leaf Meadows. 56 units of tax-credit property, with a preference for those in Oakdale. It is a home-ownership service property; this will include first-time homebuyer classes and training and self-sufficiency program. Anticipated opening first week of September.

Patterson: Councilmember Cynthia Homen provided the following update: HOST house is now open. Naomi's House is almost complete – opening anticipated in August. 40 of self-help homes are being built by the homeowners.

Community System of Care and the Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority: Barbara Kauss shared that the Housing Authority has been in negotiations for the Clarion Hotel in Modesto. Last week, the Housing Authority entered escrow and the facility was purchased. 150 units will be made available and funded through the CARES funding, over the next 8 months. These units are not subsidized.

Riverbank: Councilmember Luis Uribe yielded to Councilmember Barbara Martinez. Councilmember Martinez shared that the Central Valley Community Resources office was contacted by the IRS to assist the homeless population, county-wide, to apply for a stimulus check, if so desired. Councilmember Uribe will share contact information for this program with the SHA members at a later date.

Stanislaus County: Supervisor Terry Withrow share efforts Stanislaus County and partners have taken to combat the coronavirus pandemic within the community.

VIII. **Subcommittees**

a. Homeless Action Plan

Brad Hawn provided an update on the Homeless Action Plan. The intent is request input from both SHA and CSOC to incorporate into the Homeless Action Plan. The CSOC meets Thursday, July 16th, and will be soliciting CSOC board members to participate in Homeless Action Plan planning workgroup.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL
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Attendance

1	City of Ceres	Mike Kline	Primary	P
		Tom Westbrook	Alternate	A
2	City of Modesto	Ted Brandvold	Primary	P
		Joe Lopez	Alternate	A
3	City of Oakdale	Christopher Smith	Primary	P
		Bryan Whitemyer	Alternate	A
4	City of Patterson	Cynthia Homen	Primary	P
		Ken Irwin	Alternate	A
5	City of Riverbank	Luis Uribe	Primary	P
		Sean Scully	Alternate	A
6	City of Turlock	Andrew Nosrati	Primary	P
		Toby Wells	Alternate	A
7	Community System of Care	Francine DiCiano	Primary	A
		Jason Conway	Alternate	P
8	Focus on Prevention	Brad Hawn	Primary	P
		Tim Byrd	Alternate	P
9	Stanislaus County	Terry Withrow	Primary	P
		Jody Hayes	Alternate	P
10	Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority	Carlos Estacio III	Primary	A
		Barbara Kauss	Alternate	P

A – Absent
P - Present