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**MINUTES**

**Wednesday, January 13, 2021**

- I. **Roll Call** – Stanislaus Homeless Alliance (SHA) Representatives  
Meeting called to order by Chairman Brad Hawn at 5:35 pm.  
See Attachment A for Roll Call
  
- II. **Public Comment Period**  
No Public Comment.
  
- III. **Approval of Minutes.**  
On a motion by Ken Irwin and seconded by Barbara Kauss, the minutes were unanimously approved (9/0)  
City of Waterford abstained due to absence of December 2020 meeting.
  
- IV. **Funding**
  - a. **Emergency Solutions Grants Program – Coronavirus (ESG-CV) Funding Update - Round 2)**  
Angela Freitas, County Planning, gave a summary of the Stanislaus Community System of Care (CSOC) outcome for the ESG Round II Funding. Stated that there will be a meeting on Friday, December 15 to discuss the ESG Funding.  
  
Freitas also gave an overview of the Tiered Emergency Solutions Operation with agency and shelter names as well as the estimated requested amount of funding for each shelter/agency. Details on this operation can be found within the presentation.  
  
Freitas gave an overview of the NOFA Application Process and the CA-ESG CV2 next steps. Next steps would include (1) Finalize and release Phase I Emergency Shelter Operations NOFA, (2) Prepare draft Street Outreach NOFA for CSOC acceptance, and (3) Begin stakeholder discussions for Phase II: Satellite Shelters and rapid Re-Housing.  
  
Freitas offered clarification that expenditures for this funding can go back to April 1, 2020.  
  
Maris, community member, wanted clarification about submitting receipts and checks for reimbursement. Freitas mentioned that all expenditures should be submitted and that the County will be able to reimburse the maximum amount of funding.  
  
Jody Hayes, CEO of Stanislaus County, asked if some of the funding will be available for existing shelters. Freitas offered clarification that the \$6.9 MIL of ESG funding is for development of shelters and some operational costs, however, there may not be enough time to utilize shelter operations funding for any new developments. The \$10mil in the ESG funding is for existing shelters.
  
  - b. **Homeless Assistance Program (HHAP) Round II**  
Leng Power, gave an update on this funding and the overview process. The eligible uses for this money include: Rapid Re-Housing, Operating Subsidies, Service coordination, Street Outreach, Creation of Regional Delivery System, Delivery of Permanent Housing and Innovative Solutions, Prevention and Shelter Diversion to Permanent Housing, and New Navigation Centers and Emergency Shelters.

Lise Talbott would like to see a table or overview on funding including what funding is already

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allocated to certain areas.

Dana Bailey offered clarification that a funding matrix is being created and will be given and sent to the community soon.

Brad Hawn gave an idea to start working on receiving privatized funding in order to be able to utilize it on different areas with limited constraints.

### V. COVID-19 Emergency Updates

#### a. Project Roomkey – Modesto Hotel

Dana Bailey Provided update on Modesto Hotel Project Roomkey. Currently sheltered are 48 individuals, including seniors, and those with medical conditions that are at risk. Received an approval to continue Modesto Hotel through February 15<sup>th</sup>. Will be likely to start demobilizing in March 2020. Project Roomkey went to BOS to extend operations and were approved the \$437k to continue operations. FEMA will not extend month to month, rather, will extend depending on life of crisis. Modesto Hotel is not accepting any new admissions to site and will look into restoring the hotel to original condition to return to original owner.

#### b. Existing Homeless Shelters

Dana Bailey shared updates on existing homeless shelters. Currently working on CDC vaccination guidelines and implementation recommendations. Will work with shelters to return those residing in Modesto Hotel back to existing shelters.

Major Harold Laubach shared information on shelters being under quarantine due to positive cases. Received positive cases starting 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December and continuing in isolation order. 19 people, including 4 staff workers are under quarantine. Male and Female isolation areas are being offered.

### VI. Reports

#### a. HHAP Round I

Leng shared that the agreement is going to board for approval. Permanent care and innovative housing solutions will still be the focus on the group.

#### b. 2021 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

Dana Bailey shared the update on the PIT count. The PIT unsheltered count was offered an exemption from HUD. The exemption was approved, today, January 13<sup>th</sup>. The team will not be conducting an PIT count but will be submitting an HMIS count instead. A sheltered count, however, will still be conducted which will include those in emergency shelters as well. A working group is developing criteria and will conduct the count on January 26, 2020.

#### c. Empire Winter Shelter

Leng Power shared the empire Christmas update with photos, sharing that 22 families were sheltered. Gifts were given to all families in Family Housing Facility including household items and groceries. Photos can be seen in presentation slide.

#### d. Homeless Action Plan Subcommittee

Brad Hawn gave an update from this subcommittee. Hawn shared that the Homeless Action Plan presentation will be shared next meeting with the SHA group. He will request that the SHA group look over and think of populations that might be missing in this presentation.

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### VII. SHA Representative Updates

**Ceres:** No Updates

**Modesto:** The Camp to Home Initiative is currently interviewing for part time teen workers to start on February 1<sup>st</sup>. Downtown street team also hiring for this team and this team will also start in February. Zero street project will be providing 36 units of affordable housing--12 for seniors and 23 for veterans. These are pending home allocation which will take place in February. Should begin construction in August.

AHC Grant will have been awarded of \$24.766 million and grant funds have been awarded. Youth navigation center will provide 48 total beds for 12-24 yrs. Demolition complete and construction will begin soon.

**Oakdale:** No Updates

**Patterson:** No updates

**Riverbank:** City Council authorized transitional/satellite concept in Riverbank, offering rental services to move residents to transitional or permanent housing. The recommendation is to apply for ESG Phase II funding. Luis Uribe shared that this is his last meeting with the SHA board per the bylaws.

**Turlock:** New member appointed and therefore no updates.

**Community System of Care:** Special meeting this Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, will be focused on the ESG Round II Funding.

**Stanislaus County:** No updates

**Housing Authority:** 50 units of affordable housing has been added to Oakdale

**Ceres:** No Updates

**Waterford:** No Updates

**Focus on Prevention:** No Updates

### VIII. Adjournment

**Next Meeting Wednesday, February 10, 2021 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm**

Location: Zoom meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm

#### Parking Lot - Future Action/Discussion/Informational Items

- Kansas House
- 2021 Continuum of Care Program Competition - Notice of Funding Availability

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**ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL**  
**Stanislaus Homeless Alliance Board**  
**Wednesday, January 13, 2021**

**Attendance**

1	City of Ceres	Javier Lopez	Primary	P
		Tom Westbrook	Alternate	A
2	City of Modesto	Rosa Escutia-Braaton	Primary	P
		Joe Lopez	Alternate	A
3	City of Oakdale	Christopher Smith	Primary	A
		Bryan Whitemyer	Alternate	A
4	City of Patterson	Cynthia Homen	Primary	A
		Ken Irwin	Alternate	P
5	City of Turlock	Rebecka Monz	Primary	P
		Toby Wells	Alternate	P
6	City of Waterford	Liz Tallbott	Primary	P
		Mike Pitcock	Alternate	P
7	Community System of Care	Jason Conway	Primary	A
		Major Harold Laubach, Jr	Alternate	P
8	Focus on Prevention	Brad Hawn	Primary	P
		Tim Byrd	Alternate	A
9	Stanislaus County	Terry Withrow	Primary	P
		Jody Hayes	Alternate	P
10	Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority	Dirk Hook	Primary	P
		Barbara Kauss	Alternate	P

A – Absent  
 P - Present