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**MINUTES**

**Wednesday, November 10, 2021**

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

- I. **Roll Call** – Stanislaus Homeless Alliance (SHA) Representatives  
Meeting called to order by Chairperson Brad Hawn at 5:30 pm. Please see the attachments for the roll call.
- II. **Public Comment Period**  
Miguel Donoso, a community member, asked the amount of meetings a SHA Board member can miss. He also stated the Continuum of Care has approved funds for Agenda Item V.
- III. **Approval of Minutes**  
Motion to approve the minutes for October 13, 2021 from Cynthia Homen and second from Darlene Barber-Martinez. Approved (6 – Y, 0 – N)
- IV. **Action Items**
  - a. Stanislaus County Regional Homeless Strategic Plan  
**Action:** Adopt Stanislaus Regional Homeless Strategic Plan  
Motion to approve Stanislaus Regional Homeless Strategic Plan from Jason Conway and second from Cynthia Homen. Approved (6 – Y, 0 – N)
- V. **Funding**
  - a. Update: California Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funding  
Ana San Nicolas, Planning and Community Development, provided an overview of CA-ESG Cares and regular State ESG funding. County Planning received, on behalf of the County and CSOC service area, two rounds of CA ESG Cares funding dedicated for emergency shelter and solutions. The main categories are emergency shelter, rapid rehousing, homeless prevention, and HMIS. There are nine applications waiting for approval by the Board for CA-ESG CV2. Details regarding the funding can be found in the presentation.  
  
Terry Withrow, Stanislaus County Supervisor, suggested having organizations share data with County Planning to ensure they have everything they need going forward.
- VI. **Reports**
  - a. Update: 2022 Point-in-Time Count Planning Process  
Lynnell Fuller, Housing and Homeless, CSA, provided additional information regarding the 2021 PIT Count. Fuller provided a brief demonstration on dynamic data from HUD’s Stella strategy and analysis tool. Stella is a performing and model optimized system that reflects how homeless households move through the homeless system.  
  
La Tosha Walden, Housing and Homeless, CSA, gave a presentation for the upcoming 2022 Point-in-Time Count. The sheltered count will be conducted on January 26, 2022 and the unsheltered count on January 27, 2022.
  - b. Informational Item: *Project Homekey*: City of Modesto  
Jessica Hill, City of Modesto, gave an overview of project Homekey. In July of 2020, the State of California launched a \$750 million program called “Project Homekey,” with the aim of helping local communities rapidly acquire hotels, motels, commercial buildings, and other creative properties in order to rapidly

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house people experiencing homelessness during the COVID-19 pandemic. Project Homekey 1.0's success prompted Governor Newsom to propose \$1.4 billion for Project Homekey 2.0. Additional information can be found within the presentation.

Jason Conway asked if any of the proposed local projects target age groups 55 and older. Jessica Hill clarified age is not a qualifying category with the State, but applicants can choose to complete projects solely by target population. The population must be homeless or at risk of homelessness and under 30% AMI to meet eligibility. A service provider would be needed to serve the population for that period.

Fred Berry, a community member, asked how case management will be offered to youth. Jessica Hill shared they are collaborating with youth-serving nonprofit Center for Human Services, who operates a Youth Navigation Center in the county, to create a support services plan.

Mr. Berry suggested the VOLT (Valley Occupational Learning and Technology) Institute be consulted to assist youth with hands-on occupational training; he offered to be the point of contact.

c. Update: Empire Winter Shelter

Leng Power, Housing & Homeless, CSA, shared the Empire Cold Weather Family Shelter will be operating for its fourth Winter season. The shelter houses 22 low-income families who are experiencing homelessness. Families are provided with case management and housing navigation, increasing their likelihood of exiting the program to permanent housing.

### VII. SHA General Membership Announcements

**Stanislaus County:** Terry Withrow shared there have been high level collaborative meetings to refine the work of the ACES low barrier shelter.

**Regional Housing Authority:** Dirk Hoek shared updates on HA projects. Edward Estates subdivision in northeast Modesto has completed two houses, which will be sold to low-income qualifying buyers. They are currently moving forward with 33 units to sell to low-income families. On the Westside of Modesto, the Vine Street Project will develop 23 units for Veterans, which will also include Veterans under the No Place like Home Program. The Helen White Project will have 12 units developed for senior tenants.

**Riverbank:** Darlene Barber-Martinez shared they are moving forward with their housing program and have received \$2 million of a direct state allocation.

**Patterson:** Cynthia Homen shared there was a Street Outreach Popup in Patterson yesterday to offer access to benefits, housing, DMV, legal and SSI services.

**CSOC:** Jason Conway shared the CSOC meeting is next week from 2:30-4:30pm by Zoom.

### VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

**Regular Meeting:** In-Person  
**Wednesday, December 8, 2021 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm**  
**Location: Basement Chamber**  
**1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Modesto**

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

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- Kansas House
- CARE 2.0

**ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL**

**Stanislaus Homeless Alliance Board**

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**Attendance**

1	City of Ceres	Javier Lopez	Primary	A
			Alternate	-
2	City of Modesto	Sue Zwahlen	Primary	A
		Joe Lopez	Alternate	-
3	City of Oakdale	Christopher Smith	Primary	A
		Bryan Whitemyer	Alternate	-
4	City of Patterson	Cynthia Homen	Primary	P
		Ken Irwin	Alternate	-
5	City of Riverbank	Darlene Barber - Martinez	Primary	P
		Sean Scully	Alternate	-
6	City of Turlock	Rebecka Monez	Primary	A
		Amy Bublak	Alternate	-
7	City of Waterford	Lise Talbott	Primary	A
		Mike Pitcock	Alternate	-
8	Community System of Care	Jason Conway	Primary	P
		Major Harold Laubach, Jr	Alternate	-
9	Focus on Prevention	Brad Hawn	Primary	P
		Tim Byrd	Alternate	-
10	Stanislaus County	Terry Withrow	Primary	P
		Jody Hayes	Alternate	-
11	Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority	Dirk Hoek	Primary	P
		Barbara Kauss	Alternate	-

A – Absent  
 P - Present