

STANISLAUS HOMELESS ALLIANCE

MINUTES

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

- I. **Roll Call** – Stanislaus Homeless Alliance (SHA) Representatives
Meeting called to order by Chairperson Brad Hawn at 5:31 pm. Please see the attachments for the roll call.
- II. **Public Comment Period**
No comments
- III. **Approval of Minutes**
Motion to approve the minutes for June 8, 2022 from Cynthia Homen and second from Terry Withrow. **Approved** (11 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain).
- IV. **Action Items**
 - a. Review: PIT count for 2022 was down from previous years, contributing factors include weather, date change, and, lack of volunteers.
 - i. Over the last few years, there is an increase year to year and the trend is holding steady; Comparison from 2022 PIT count to HMIS data recommended for accuracy by Chairman Brad Hawn.
 - ii. Doug Holcomb suggested conducting an HMIS styled-count and look at any trends in shelters throughout the County.

Motion to accept PIT count document from James Casey and a second from Marisela Garcia.
Approved (10 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain)
- V. **Reports**
 - a. Update: Civil Grand Jury Report
 - i. Brad Hawn is preparing a document with a response to the Civil Grand Jury Report (60-Day timeframe). Cities will have an additional 30 days to respond to the report. CSOC has already started working on their response to the Grand Jury Report.
 - b. Update: Homeless Action Plan
 - i. Continuing to work on the Incident Command System, the number one focus is housing; All of the City Managers in the County agreed to meet on a monthly basis until a course of action is established.
 - ii. Ruben at Behavioral Health will be meeting with Police Chiefs on August 8th
 - iii. How can a CARE team be established in smaller cities for Behavioral Health Services? Why are some individuals not taking advantage of services answered?
 - c. Update: Low Barrier Shelter Occupancy
 - i. Matt Aguirre, the newly appointed Director with the Salvation Army presented. The shelter is no longer operating on an appointment basis but as a first come first serve and is at full capacity of 160. There are 22 available beds that are allocated to a quarantine room for positive COVID cases designated only to individuals that are currently at the shelter.
 - ii. There are 3 new Healthcare Aids (CAN) for wellness checks that are available 24/7; duties include daily health checks that include checking for COVID symptoms,

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potential hospital needs, and COVID testing as needed.

- iii. A healthcare driver has also been on boarded for 8 hours a day to allow for transportation to and from clinics by appointment only

VI. SHA General Membership Announcements

Regional Housing Authority: No Update(s)

Modesto: In July, the 21st Camp2Home team members secured housing and the 35th Camp2Home members secured employment through Caltrans ready to work.

Downtown Streets Team were on a hiatus due to a COVID outbreak; Staff are continuing to build an employment partnership with E&J Gallo for Camp2Home team members, more interviews are scheduled for them in July.

Riverbank: The first Emergency Shelter is beginning, demolition started on the remodel. The goal is to open in November before the cold season begins. Cambridge Academy has been placed in touch with the CARE team on ways to collaborate with street outreach.

Day use facility shower/laundry services will be open in September, a ribbon cutting ceremony will take place to celebrate that accomplishment.

Patterson: In process of pursuing funds for several homes adjacent to Naomi's House for transitional housing

Ceres: Ceres is working with an advocate that works with CUSD homeless; there are approximately 500 students that are/nearly are homeless.

Focus on Prevention: No Update(s)

Stanislaus County: BOS approved a Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) budget. This budget will help rehabilitate individuals released from incarceration.

38M budget was granted by the state and a lot of the budget is being spent on preventing homelessness.

1.6M per year for the next 5 years will be allocated to the CARE team.

150k will be allocated to BHRS to implement something similar to "Homebody Industries" in Los Angeles.

CHAT team to be funded for the next 5 years to assist with mental health incidents.

Public defender's office has 3 clinicians to do upstream work with children and families that have experienced or been exposed to any trauma.

5M funded to the STEP Program (Stanislaus Equity Partners). STEP purchased 7 units from a private developer which will be reimbursed by project HomeKey. Supportive housing near Orangeburg in Modesto and in Riverbank, will bring in small homes.

Oakdale: Is meeting with BHRS to bring more services to the Oakdale area; accessibility and proximity is an issue for the homeless population.

CSOC: Currently addressing the Grand Jury and trying to get the membership positions filled.

Waterford: There are a number of community members who host picnic type activities throughout the month for the homeless population which include providing meals and clothing. Limited hours

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and one bus that goes in and out of Waterford brings awareness to look at upstream strategies.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, August 10, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Location: BOS Chambers, 1010 10th St.

Parking Lot - Future Action/Discussion/Informational Items

- Kansas House
- CARE 2.0

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**ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL
 Stanislaus Homeless Alliance Board
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Attendance

1	City of Ceres	Mike Kline	Primary	A
		James Casey	Alternate	P
2	City of Modesto	Sue Zwahlen	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	Darlene Barber - Martinez	Primary	A
		Marisela Garcia	Alternate	P
6	City of Turlock	Rebecka Monez	Primary	A
		Amy Bublak	Alternate	A
7	City of Waterford	Lise Talbott	Primary	P
		Mike Pitcock	Alternate	A
8	Community System of Care	Fred Berry	Primary	P
		Major Harold Laubach, Jr	Alternate	A
9	Focus on Prevention	Brad Hawn	Primary	P
		Tim Byrd	Alternate	A
10	Stanislaus County	Terry Withrow	Primary	P
		Jody Hayes	Alternate	P
11	Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority	Dirk Hoek	Primary	A
		Jim Kruse	Alternate	P

A – Absent
 P - Present