

## STANISLAUS HOMELESS ALLIANCE

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### MINUTES

Wednesday, October 12, 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**  
Andrew Nosrati expressed concern with the city of Turlock struggling with homelessness; is aware that individual efforts have been made to engage in conversation and collaboration with the city of Turlock from Stanislaus Homeless Alliance. Andrew asked if a formal request or a formal offer could be drafted to the city of Turlock from Stanislaus Homeless Alliance to join in on efforts.
- III. **Approval of Minutes**  
Minutes for September 14, 2022 deferred to the next meeting as quorum was not met.
- IV. **Informational Items**
  - a. Chairman Brad Hawn requested a report for all shelters in the county, what is currently available and total beds, whether occupied or not. Low Barrier Shelter Occupancy report will follow in November.
  - b. Maria Armstrong with Garden Gate Respite reported that their Outreach Team started in February of 2022. The team is co-located at the Access Center and they conduct street outreach in Turlock, Ceres, Modesto and other areas throughout Stanislaus County where there is a need. Services include SUD and mental health assessments, hygiene kits, connection to services and shelters, refill of existing medications.
  - c. Incident Commander Ron Reid, for the Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP), is currently working on identifiable goals to bring a plan of action into fruition; the established committee meets monthly and identifies specific goals to work on in a 30-day span. Doug Holcomb has been appointed as the Operations Chief.
    - i. SIP will be working together with Housing Stanislaus for a combined effort to bring a 2023 Spring Summit to the community
    - ii. The current goal is to begin tracking current and future physical structures and homes available to residents within the County in its entirety, not just for the homeless population
  - d. Chairman Brad Hawn advised that the STEP presentation will take place at a later date
  - e. The CARE team has been working with small city Police Chiefs such as Patterson, Turlock, Riverbank and Oakdale on how services can be provided to those in need. Brad Hawn requested to have quarterly reports by the CARE team.
- V. **SHA General Membership Announcements**

**Ceres:** No Update(s)

**CSOC:** Fred Berry has new homeless liaisons due to the turnover with schools and is encouraging those liaisons to attend SHA so they can get a better understanding of both SHA and CSOC

**Focus on Prevention:**

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**Modesto:** Two new team members from DST established employment (30 in total). One new member has been housed (23 in total). DST is building a relationship with PACT, this agency helps support individuals transitioning back into full-time employment; 7 team members have completed the onboarding process. The 9<sup>th</sup> street project will provide a 14-unit permanent supportive housing for youth, will be completed in December. Archway Commons will be completed November, tenants are currently being vetted, anticipated occupancy date is February 2023. The city of Modesto was recognized by The League of California Cities and received the Helen Putnam Award.

**Oakdale:** The Oakdale Rescue Mission is a day-use facility that services 30 – 40 individuals that allows clients to shower and wash their clothes but is not an overnight facility. Oakdale is trying to establish a location for supportive services for East County residents.

**Patterson:** Two homes are being purchased in addition to HOST and Naomi's House. There is a new apartment building that was entirely rented out before it opened. New apartments, duplexes and other low incoming options being developed.

**Riverbank:** Sierra House interior remodel bid is in process; the day-use facility has been delivered, ADA and Utility hookups are being completed.

**Stanislaus County:** A planning workgroup for CARE Court for SB1338 is in process. SB1338 will be implemented in Stanislaus County in October 2023 to service the most difficult to reach individuals that are likely homeless and experiencing psychiatric conditions.

**Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority:** Emergency Housing Vouchers have been distributed but the challenge is finding individual units for rent. There are damage concerns with landlords, SRHA is working with a HUD Consultant to look at what other cities have done regarding insurance pools/rental coverage for landlords. SRHA applied for Stability Vouchers for rental payments only. 8 one-bedroom apartment project should be completed by the end of the year; hoping to secure funding for the Vine Street Project for an additional 35 one-bedroom units.

**Waterford:** No Update(s)

### VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.

**Regular Meeting:** Wednesday, November 9, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
Location: BOS Chambers, 1010 10<sup>th</sup> St.

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**ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL  
 Stanislaus Homeless Alliance Board  
 Wednesday, September 14, 2022**

**Attendance**

1	City of Ceres	Mike Kline	Primary	A
		Alex Terrazas	Alternate	A
2	City of Modesto	Sue Zwahlen	Primary	A
		Joe Lopez	Alternate	P
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	P
		Marisela Garcia	Alternate	A
6	City of Turlock	Rebecka Monez	Primary	A
		Amy Bublak	Alternate	A
7	City of Waterford	Lise Talbott	Primary	A
		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	A
		Jody Hayes	Alternate	P
11	Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority	Dirk Hoek	Primary	A
		Jim Kruse	Alternate	P

A – Absent

P - Present