

# Homeless Steering Committee

## Agenda

March 28, 2019

3:00-5:00 pm

10877 Conductor Blvd, Sutter Creek

1. Public Comment
2. Homeless Resources Fair (20 min) – Tyx Pulskamp
3. Uses of Future Funding (20 min)
4. Categorical Definitions of Homelessness (10 min)
5. Announcements (10 min)
6. Actions (5 min)
7. Future Agenda Items (5 min)

1. Public Comment

Public comment for matters not on the agenda: Discussion items only, no action to be taken. Any person may address the Homeless Steering Committee at this time upon any subject relevant to the Homeless Steering Committee. Matters that may require action will be referred for future possible action at a subsequent Committee meeting. There is a time limit of 3 minutes.

2. Homeless Resources Fair - 2019

Discuss preparations for the second Homeless Resources Fair event. Tyx Pulskamp and others will provide a status update of the Fair and its preparations.

Action: Discussion

3. Categorical Definitions of Homelessness

Recently the Mendocino Continuum of Care considered 3 definitions of Homelessness in order to prioritize services given.

<https://www.ukiahdailyjournal.com/2019/03/16/mendocino-county-board-creating-definitions-of-homeless-groups/>

The 3 definitions being considered for adoption are:

1. Homegrown: Adult individuals and families experiencing homelessness and (a) had a permanent job in Mendocino County before they became homeless, (b) have family in Mendocino County (either living or dead) or (c) attended high school in Mendocino County.
2. Local: Adults or families with children experiencing homelessness and who did not (a) have a permanent job in Mendocino County before becoming homeless, (b) do not have family in Mendocino County, and (c) did not attend high school in Mendocino County, but (d) they are confident Mendocino County is where they are most likely to transition into sustainable permanent housing and (e) they are willing to engage in services or (f) need assistance while arrangements are made to connect them with people in the community most likely to support their recovery from homelessness and transition into sustainable permanent housing.
3. Travelers: Adult individuals and families with children experiencing homelessness who do not fit under the definitions of either homegrown or local and are (a) unwilling to engage in services, (b) unwilling to engage positively with outreach teams or other service providers, (c) requiring involvement of law enforcement through criminal behaviors, and (d) traveling through or do not reside in Mendocino County year-round.

Action: Discussion

#### 4. Uses of Future Funding

Based on Governor Newsam's proposed budget there will likely be more HEAP funds as well as other funding for homelessness directly and housing too. What are the kinds of services that this group would recommend spending those funds on for 2019?

Action: Discussion

#### 5. Announcements

- Sherriff Ryan would be happy to speak to the committee but would like to know what are the specific issues and areas of concern?

#### 6. Actions

#### 7. Future Agenda Items