

# Minutes of Homeless Steering Committee Meeting 8-22-19

## 1. Public Comment

- None

## 2. Up-Tick in the Homelessness Around the Area

There was general consensus on this issue that there was indeed an increase in homelessness in the county around Jackson and Martell. (Bob Stimpson & Tyx Pulskamp agreed)

## 3. Status of Stockton Camp in the City of Sonora

Frank Axe briefly described a newspaper article that said the City of Sonora had actually approved by a vote of 5-0 to provide portable toilets for a homeless encampment on Stockton Rd. in the City of Sonora. The approved plan was a one-year pilot project for providing three portable toilets at a total cost of \$5,236. The City of Sonora agreed to pay for 1/3 of the annual cost, a local non-profit, Give Someone a Chance would pay 1/3, and ATCAA would use state funds to pay the remaining 1/3.

## 4. Status of Re-directed use of Amador Plan Funds for Trash Clean-Up in Jackson Camps

Bob Stimpson, Mayor of Jackson, described how the City of Jackson would be using some of the HEAP funds

- Using the funding for clean-up and outreach through law enforcement
- There needs to be a concerted outreach and assistance from the community
- Need to connect services in an efficient way
- The Jackson City Council has put an ad hoc committee (Bob S. & Wayne G.) together to look for suitable sites for a low-barrier shelter
- County HHS can provide mental health training.

## 5. Announcements

- Stephanie Hess, MHSA Programs Coordinator, described a presentation that a consultant would be giving at the next Task Force meeting (September 26<sup>th</sup>) on the No Place Like Home (NPLH) program for housing in Amador County. They will be soliciting input for the Task Force. Everyone was very excited about this possibility, and it can lead to future funding for permanent housing units in the county.

## 6. Actions

- None

7. Future Agenda Items

- No Place Like Home Presentation – September 26<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting