

HTF Meeting Minutes for 2-24-22

1. Public Comment

None

2. No Place Like Home Update

Update on the NPLH project from Danco Communities and Housing Tools

- Sherry Morgada, Housing Tools, gave an overview of the NPLH project.
- NPLH is funding from the state of California will consist of ~\$7.5M in competitive funds
- The goal is to develop permanent supportive housing
- Housing Tools facilitated the development of a homeless plan, a site feasibility study and a housing study.
- Chris Dart, Danco Communities, took over and discussed the details of the project with the HTF.s

3. PIT Count Status

Leslie Mace (ATCCA) updated the group of the preliminary results from the 2022 PIT count. She reported that there were about 160 homeless adults and youth that were counted. The count is lower than the value from 2019.

Year	PIT Count
2018	148
2019	178
2022	160

There will be other demographics and details forthcoming as the data collected is analyzed. Leslie said it was difficult finding volunteers this year to help with the count and may be responsible for a lower PIT count number.

4. Transitional Housing Update

Update by Joe Bors (ATCCA) on transitional housing for Jackson

- ATCAA closed escrow on a property in Jackson that is permitted commercial and is several blocks from the existing shelter as well as downtown Jackson.
- Currently ATCAA is getting bids from contractors to renovate kitchen, laundry room, replace flooring and pantry. Should start sometime in May-June 2022
- The top floor will be open in Sept/Oct. 2022
- The down stairs floor will be open in Q1 2023
- There are 6-8 beds on each floor with a total of 16 beds

- Fully open in spring 2023
- John Murphy from St. Vincent de Paul re-iterated its offer to provide furnishings

5. Outreach Groups

Tyx Pulskamp – Operation Care Outreach Specialist

- Sutter Health grant renewed
- Operation Care reunited an indigenous man with his family in Arizona
- St. Vincent de Paul provided laundry vouchers at the weekly meals
- Currently Operation Care is housing 1 woman with 4 children
- Tyx Pulskamp: (209) 273-9009 or tyx@operationcare.org

Kelly Camp – Youth Advisory Committee, Sub-committee of the CoC

- Working to create youth action board to discuss the needs of homeless youth in the area
- Looking into gap in PIT count and gaps in services
- School and HUD definitions of homelessness are different
- Board members must be 24 years old or younger

Trixxie Smith – Sierra Wind

- Sierra Wind is now open Monday – Friday 9:30am to 3:30pm and can provide 1 on 1 counseling.
- Efforts to establish a warming center were unsuccessful. There are volunteers to man a warming station but no location. We will begin to plan for a future cooling center.
- The Homeless Resource Fair will be held on May 15 & 16 in person. There will be a planning meeting on March 31st.

Christine Platt – CoJ Outreach Specialist

- Now has office space so she can bring folks in do interviews
- The mobile shower project has been running for 3 months now. It's available once a week at various locations.
- Has regular interactions with the HART team.
- Online job applications can be filled out online at the office as well as help with resumes.
- Several displaced people have been reunited with relatives out of the county.
- A 74 year old woman who was in the process of being reunited unfortunately passed away.

Sheriff Gary Redman - ACSO

- It's been 1 year since the HART program was started, and it's been very successful.
- The HART team has been meeting regularly with Christine Platt and offering resources.
- Currently there are 4 deputies and 1 sergeant on the team.
- There is a segment of the homeless population that is unwilling to cooperate or are causing all the issues.
- The SO is excited to see more transitional housing available.
- Fran Allen (209) 601-8171 foster youth coordinator at ATCAA.

6. Litter Removal and Camp Cleanup

Caryl Callsen from the Foothill Conservancy updated the group on the following:

- Started up again
- On February 12th the group worked under the Mission St bridge in Jackson and filled a debris box
- Cleaned on side of the creek
- The regular meeting time is the 2nd Saturday of every month.
- Currently they are doing research on where the abandoned camp sites are located

7. Announcements

- Frank Axe told the group about the "Homeless Hiring Tax credit" program that was available through Mother Lode Job training (MLJT).

8. Actions

- Invite Emily Graham from MLJT to better describe the Homeless Hiring Tax Credit

9. Future Agenda Items

None