



Supportive Housing & Homelessness Working Group

May 25, 2022, 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Attendees: Cathie Foley, Ted Owens, Philippa Nigg, Clare Novak, Brendan Phillips, Kai Frolich, Justin Ellerby, Mike Beggs, Jazmin Breaux, Aenora Casper, Diane Luellen, Alison Schwedner, and Danielle Segal

Facilitation: Tara Zuardo and Kristina Kind

Topic	Discussion	Next Steps
<p>I. Home Sharing Brainstorm with Justin Ellerby, Executive Director of Home Share American River and Kai Frolich, Co-founder of Landing Locals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Justin and Kai joined the group to discuss their services and to brainstorm any potential collaboration. After hearing about both organizations, it seemed that there was much overlap in the services offered, and that it would be a concern for the nonprofit Home Share American River to provide services in an area already served by a for-profit company, like Landing Locals, as the for-profit tends to serve “easier to serve” clients and results in more challenges for the nonprofit. ● Recap of each organization’s services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Home Share American River is a free, nonprofit house mate matching and support service that aims to make it safe, fair, valuable and durable for people to share a home. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Current service area is an hour radius of Roseville ■ Operate on a small budget (~90K) and rely on volunteer matchmakers to vet homeowners and renters. ■ Most matches don’t involve skill matching; however they do help facilitate this. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ No fee. Work for free ○ Landing Locals is a for-profit organization that has been providing matchmaking services since 2019. They currently facilitate the incentive-based “Lease to Locals” program in Truckee, South Lake Tahoe and Summit County (hopefully soon in E. Placer County). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ They allow individuals to self-list on their site and have found that people generally prefer finding their own roommates ■ We discussed that Landing Locals could potentially discriminate on employment type (ex. A nurse could request a room share with another nurse) however matching specific service needs (like childcare) would be too legally risky. 	
<p>Summit County Safe Parking Program</p> <p><i>Diane Luellen, Unsheltered in Summit Committee</i></p>	<p>Summit Safe Parking Program- Diane Luellen gave an overview of the safe parking program in Summit County. Summit County is much like the Tahoe Truckee area. It is a county with 4 ski resorts, a big lake for summer recreation, more vacant homes than residents, heavy visitation, etc. The only option for unsheltered people are day services two days a week at the local church and some free dinner meal services throughout the county.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Program origins:</u> a woman living out of her car approached the “Unsheltered in Summit Committee” with the idea. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee started with 5 people. Now up to 8-9. ○ Got early buy in from the Sheriff department ○ Started the program 3 years ago in a church parking lot in an unincorporated part of the County. Technically was illegal due to no overnight parking/camping zone (even though supported by the Sheriff’s department) but did get a temporary special use permit as a result of an emergency declaration of housing crisis during COVID ○ Started with people living in sedans/cars. More people are now living out of vans and camper trucks. There is 	

one teacher who lives in a tiny trailer.

- What is the Program:
 - Year round
 - Overnight parking only at this time (6 pm -8 am). Working towards providing safe parking 24 hours a day.
 - Currently 10 spots in the sheriff's department parking lot (lost church parking lot because they erected a building there). 7 spaces allow for 18 ft. 3 slots for 36ft.
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- Operations:
 - Volunteer-led
 - Diane spends about 3 hours a day managing the program.
 - There is also a point of entry individual (a retired psychotherapist who helps with intake, tracks participants, and makes referrals to outside services.
 - Snow removal- Participants have to move their vehicles (even if its 4 am) for snow removal
 - No camp host. Would like one.
 - Trash: a committee member keeps an eye on it and calls for pick up when full.
 - Insurance: Don't currently have insurance. When they were at the church site, they were covered by the church's insurance. They are a 501c3 and will look for insurance like a church would have.
- Who is the Program For:
 - Summit County workers
 - Pay a small fee (around \$45 that covers the cost of a portable bathroom and bear proof trash)
 - At the height of winter, there was more demand than spots at the church.
- Eligibility Requirements:
 - Answer a questionnaire that asks questions about

	<p>mental health needs, substance use. People have answered honestly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sign waiver and release of liability. ○ Agree to lengthy rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Successes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There have been 0 referrals to law enforcement. ○ Notebook, proof of performance- support from sheriff's office, County commissioners, and Frisco council members ... but not everyone ○ Value proposition: There is benefit to law enforcement to have one location versus dispersed camping. ● <u>Obstacles</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NIMBY/"Build it and they will come" ○ Decided to not have a site in the "smack middle of town" because neighbors would complain. ● <u>Similar Programs:</u> Look into Denver and Longmont programs. 	
Homeless Court Pilot in Truckee	<p>Nevada County District Attorney Jesse Wilson talked about a homeless Court Pilot in Truckee, rotated homeless court, which is part of the restorative justice program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Starts in Truckee and then rotates to other areas of the county. ● Work with other service providers to try to remove and interrupt the cycle of repeat criminality with repeat offenders. 	
<i>Regional "power landscape" on homelessness/housing issues</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Make a concerted effort to identify all the policy makers who affect housing in this area. ● List of who to contact, when and why. (Placer, Nevada, and Washoe) 	
<i>Media Coverage</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NLTRA- First Tuesday Breakfast Club <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Joint presentation in September. 	
*Next Meeting: TBD		

