

Tahoe Truckee Homeless Coalition Meeting
 2/24/21
 2:30-3:30 pm

Facilitator: Jazmin Breaux

Attendees:

Susan Farrington, Cassandra Lashmett, Jennifer Price, Randy Billingsley, Tammy Gregerson, Cathie Foley, Danny Renfrow, Aenora Casper, Danielle Segal, Kathie Denton, **Brendan Phillips**, Mark DiGiacomo, Clare Novak, Alison Schwedner, Susie Legrande, Seana Doherty, Miren Hower Merrill,

Topic	Update	Next Steps
Chief Billingsley Police Response to Homelessness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Goal: In the next 6-8 months to have a dedicated police officer in a community liaison position, teaming up with community behavioral workers to extend outreach. ● They are wanting to be a collaborative partner to solve challenges. 	
North Tahoe Truckee Homeless Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) Funding awarded through Nevada and Placer Counties to continue homeless prevention services for the next 18 months. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Expand: Homeless Outreach Team: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 2, part-time positions (one part-time position will also work part-time at Brown Bear Studios (aka 7 Pines Motel)) ○ March 15th expanding Day Center operations to 4 days a week (T-F), from 9:00am-2:00pm. ○ 6 most vulnerable individuals experiencing homelessness housed through April 1st. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sierra Community House has a new homeless outreach coordinator, Sarah Jahr 	
<p>Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) Licenses</p> <p>HMIS is a data collection system specifically designed to support homeless services.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Agencies 100% dedicated to homelessness should have licenses ● Currently SCH and NTTHS each have a license. Both are working to add one more each. 	
<p>Rental Assistance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SB91 provides state-level funds to prevent homelessness. The state allocates to each county based on population. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Funds are for rental assistance and rental arrears ○ Placer County received a Block Grant and will manage its own funds through its housing authority ○ Nevada County has to go through the State's contracted provider. The portal will be hosted through Hosingiskey.com <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ TBD if they can utilize local partners in outreach and distribution of funds ○ State hopes to have program rolled out March 15th ● Once programs are solidified, we will need to help get information out. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 211 primary resource source ● Sierra Community House <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2 week pause on rental assistance as complexities of new funding is 	

	<p>being determined. Still accepting applications during this time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rental assistance program established before the pandemic 	
Funding Sources for Interim/Permanent Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HCD awarded funds to be used in Nevada county ● Potential Homekey funding 	
Nevada County Site Identification for potential funding through HCD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Potential properties to purchase/acquire <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inn at Truckee ○ Commercial spaces explored by NTTHS do not meet needs for interim/supportive housing ● In pursuing options think about <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Costs to rehab ○ Zoning ○ Alternatives to hotels ● Could properties that straddle Placer and Nevada County lines qualify and be able to leverage funds from both counties? 	
Process and Criteria for potential funding through HCD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identification of a development team (identify a partner - look for someone who can access pots of funding that aren't normally available to a traditional nonprofit) ● Community readiness- buy in from the Town of the Truckee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting between Town of Truckee, Nevada County, NTTHS and HCD to understand details of funding.
Built for Zero	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● National, emerging best practice to end homelessness ● Communities work toward functional zero, a measurement of ending homelessness. ● Data driven ● Nevada County partnership with Tableau 	<p>Jazmin will send a copy of the Built for Zero slide deck from the recent meeting.</p>

	<p>will allow for monthly data and new graphical elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Matching services and housing solutions appropriately to individual need ● Understand homelessness in real-time and coordinate services timely and efficiently ● Innovates around subgroups and make plans for each subpopulation/segmentation. ● Approach is to have less people entering the system and more people exiting. Less inflow and greater outflow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ You can reach functional zero when you are at or below the same level of outflow as inflow 	
<p>Built for Zero Truckee Tahoe Strategy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Truckee/Tahoe subgroup target: chronically homeless <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recent Point in Time Count, 44 people with 28 people in Nevada County and 16 people in Placer County. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Most are single men ■ A few are veterans ■ Chronically homeless with substance abuse or other debilitating conditions ■ We know that the total number is higher than 44 in our area because some people denied entry into the HMIS system. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Truckee Police Department responds to calls involving approximately 12 chronically homeless individuals. 	
<p>Truckee Tahoe Strategy - Collaboration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Explore a comprehensive, weekly/monthly meeting with providers and law enforcement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Who should be involved? ○ Currently Nevada County case management meeting requires all to have to HMIS license due to confidentiality/release of information and focuses on the whole county.. ○ Placer County homeless response-officers don't have HMIS. Have homeless liaisons that have HMIS licenses and do the reporting for law enforcement. ● Truckee Police Department has created a prosecution strategy with DA office regarding the chronic homeless. 	
<p>Announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Truckee Artist lofts has only received 44 pre-applications so far. If people need help filling out the pre-application in Spanish, call SCH mainline. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cap is 80%-30% AMI ○ You have to physically drop off the application with your id. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Help get the word out about Truckee Artist Lofts. Deadline is 5:00 PM Friday.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Placer County law enforcement will join for future meetings.	
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