



Supportive Housing & Homelessness Working Group
December 15, 2021, 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Attendees:

Topic:	Discussion:	Next Steps:
1. Nevada County Homeless Plan, Homekey Funding Update	Nevada County has decided that it won't pursue homekey funding for supportive housing units in Truckee. Instead it is applying to the No Place Like Home Program, which will allow for 10 units of permanent supportive housing at Pacific Crest Commons, the project slated for the old CHP site.	
2. Point in Time Count:	<p>The 2022 Point in Time Count will take place on the night of Jan 24th. However, efforts are all week.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This year the count will return to street outreach. ● Anyone counted still needs to fill out a questionnaire. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The questionnaire is a web-based app. Anyone input needs to attend in person training on Jan 6-7 (Zoom-based after). Jazmin will identify those who need training. ○ We could also provide employers with a paper form of the survey and Jazmin would enter the data into the app. <p>We discussed the following PIT strategies:</p>	<p>Next Steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jazmin will follow up with contacts identified for each strategy and send descriptions. 2. Kristina will send Jazmin media contact. 3. Reach out to the library

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Counting people accessing services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This will be the NTTHS outreach team. NTTHS will open the Emergency Warming Center on 1/24. The Day Center will be open Jan 25-27. NTTHS will reach out to Jazmin if they need greater support. ○ Homeless peer volunteer ○ Gift Card incentives ○ Survey at Sierra Community House's food distribution. ○ United for Action will provide street outreach in Kings Beach ● Counting people in their cars/those not accessing services through HMIS or TTTHS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Employers/Business owner engagement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Steve Frisch at the October Quarterly meeting suggested that he could support efforts to count ■ Cassie Hebel volunteered to support the efforts through the TDMA. ■ Ski resorts. ○ Social media/media <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Need a Point of Contact could potentially be Jamie at NTTHS ○ The library ● Jazmin will circulate a small description that we can use for input. 	
4. Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Discussed current data being tracked and agreed the Point in Time Count is the best indicator to track the number of people experiencing homelessness. 	

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3. NTTHS Update	<p>Data Tracking:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the past year, 26 people have been housed, 2 returned to homelessness. Emergency Warming Center numbers are down. The Center has been open 5 nights and is averaging about 7 people a night. It used to be 12-15 people a night. 1-2 people who have been housed are returning to the center because they still need support and warm meals. <p>Staffing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Homeless Outreach position moved from Sierra Community House to NTTHS. <p>Emergency Warming Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The lease at Church of the Mountains is up in June 2022. Talks will begin in January about extending the lease. <p>Federal Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will have a clearer picture of federal funding available in January. There might be a HAP extension to ESG funding and other grant funding available as well. 	<p>Help find a suitable space for the EWC. Goal is to sign at a minimum a 3-year lease. Needs identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1,800-2,500 square foot building that has offices for NTTHS staff, communal space, space for laundry and shower Community support will be needed to help finance.
4. United for Action Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> United for Action surveyed faith-based organizations to identify if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> organizations understand the homelessness problem and if there was good coordination between organizations 	<p>Next Step:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clare volunteered to help develop a communication strategy/plan that includes monthly articles/blogs

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 14 respondents answered that they would like more education. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● At the end of each working group meeting, deliver one short blurb that United for Action can share ● Agreed to share Sierra Sun article to expand the popular notion of who is homeless.
5. Conversations in the Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nevada County is coordinating with MHC on a blog piece to talk about the successful partnerships that enabled 24 people to be housed this past year. ● MHC will send at the end of the week. 	

***Next Meeting- January 26, 2022, 2:30-4:00 pm**