

Tehama County Continuum of Care Executive Council Meeting



Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2022

Meeting held via Zoom

ATTENDANCE:	PRESENT	EXCUSED
Gail Locke , Chairperson	X	
Tara Loucks-Shepherd , Vice-Chair; Tehama County Department of Social Services	X	
Jayme Boffke , Tehama County Health Services Agency		X
Candy Carlson , Tehama County Board of Supervisors	X	
Andrea Curry , Empower Tehama	X	
Jeremiah Fears , Corning Police Department		X
Johnna Jones , Red Bluff City Council (Alternate: Kris Deiters)	X	
Travis Lyon , Tehama County Health Services	X	
David Madrigal , Tehama County Community Action Agency		X
E.C. Ross , Poor and the Homeless Tehama County Coalition (PATH)	X	
Jim Southwick , Tehama County Department of Education		X

Notes by: **Heather Henderson**

1. Adoption of Minutes from March 23, 2022

The minutes and agenda from the Executive Council meeting held on March 23, 2022 were made available prior to this meeting for review. The minutes were approved as emailed.

2. Stakeholders' Collaborative Update

The Stakeholders' Collaborative met on April 6, 2022. At that meeting, updates were provided on the PATH Plaza navigation center and the Olive Grove Permanent Supportive Housing project. For PATH Plaza, the building permit, engineering, and development impact fees were waived by the city. Gail Locke is working with Ben Sale to clear all 15-acres and haul away for fire prevention efforts. This will also create a good picture for the contractor to see what the property landscape looks like. Allene Dering is spearheading a brick fundraiser to build a children's playground for PATH Plaza. Debbie Villasenor reported that there is an issue with break-ins of the Olive Grove Apartment site in Corning, for the charging of electronic devices. This sparked a discussion of immediate needs, of which a phone charging station in Corning was one. Other important needs mentioned were safe parking and camping spots. We also discussed initiatives to reduce the stigma of homelessness. A few ideas were to launch an awareness campaign and the creation of a calendar that shares stories on individual circumstances that lead to homelessness. Gail Locke is working on fundraising to outfit basic needs for the Olive Grove, No Place Like Home units. Next month, Jessica Candela from Housing Tools will be

at the Stakeholder's meeting to discuss our Local Homeless Action Plan that we need to have ready for the HHAP-3 application.

3. Capacity Building

Andrea C. Curry

Homeless Housing and Prevention Round 3 (HHAP-3)

The Local Homeless Action Plan (LHAP) for the HHAP-3 application is under development with the help of Housing Tools. The plan follows a format provided by Cal ICH that includes several tables designed to assess current services, identify gaps, set local goals and develop strategies for reaching those goals. Jessica Candela from Housing Tools will be presenting at the Stakeholders' Meeting on May 4 to gather input on the draft LHAP. The LHAP will then be presented to this council on May 25 and to the Tehama County Board of Supervisors on June 7 by James Coles from Housing Tools. Agendas and Public Comment from both presentations will become a part of the HHAP-3 application.

Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus (ESG-CV)

There are six months left until the ESG-CV expenditure deadline of September 30, 2022. An ESG-CV Recommended Award Modifications document was provided to the council in advance of this meeting that reflects ESG-CV expenditure trends for current sub-grantees. A typical monthly expenditure total has been assigned to each project based on recurring monthly expenses. This amount has been extrapolated across the remaining months and added to the total amount already expended by each project and any anticipated one-time expenses to estimate the project's total need through the end of the expenditure period. Overall, we are on track to expend all ESG-CV funds, including additional funds requested and awarded to the CoC to support operations at the Homekey project (Sale House) and make needed expansions to the HMIS/CES, however, some subgrantee projects are not expending funds at as high a rate as they had anticipated, while others are surpassing their initial expenditure projections. Andrea suggested that the CoC authorize awarding the previously unawarded \$223,654 originally reserved for unexpected needs and re-allocating funds from underspending projects to those expending funds at a faster rate to ensure that funds are utilized as efficiently as possible. The suggestions include immediately decreasing Empower Tehama's shelter and rapid rehousing awards and increasing awards for Faith Works, PATH and NCCDI, and a plan to re-evaluate expenditure trends in June, at which point additional re-allocations may be warranted.

Johnna Jones made a motion to move forward with redirecting the funds. Tara Loucks-Shepherd seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP)

A one-time incentive-based funding opportunity through Anthem Blue Cross and California Health and Wellness to bring the health care system closer to the homeless community.

4. HMIS/CES

The Coordinated Entry flyer was shared with the council at this meeting as well as emailed prior to the meeting. Outreach through this flyer was initially conducted in southern Tehama County to ensure sufficient time for outreach to very rural populations. Heather will soon be sending out the flyer to the full Stakeholder's Group.

5. Community COVID-19 Update

Tehama County Covid-19 updates can be found at [COVID Data - Tehama County Health Services \(tehamacountyhealthservices.net\)](https://tehamacountyhealthservices.net/COVID-Data) on the Tehama County Health Services website. Scroll down and enter "Tehama" in the "County and statewide data" box to view the most current Covid-19 information.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2022, at 9:30 AM and will be held via Zoom.