

Tehama County Continuum of Care Executive Council Meeting



Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2021

Meeting held via Zoom

ATTENDANCE:	PRESENT	EXCUSED
Gail Locke , Chairperson	x	
Tara Loucks-Shepherd , Vice-Chair; Tehama County Department of Social Services	x	
Jayme Bottke , 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

Guest: **Debbie Villasenor**, Housing Consultant

Notes by: **Heather Henderson**

1. Adoption of Minutes from December 8, 2021

The minutes and agenda from the Executive Council meeting held on December 8, 2021 were made available prior to this meeting for review. The minutes were approved as emailed.

2. Additions to the Agenda - There were no additions to the agenda at this meeting.

3. Stakeholders' Collaborative Update - Heather Henderson

The Stakeholders' Collaborative met on January 5, 2022. At that meeting, updates were provided on the PATH Plaza navigation center project and the Olive Grove Permanent Supportive Housing project.

4. Olive Grove Progress and CES Update – Debbie Villasenor

Olive Grove marketing materials are being developed and the city planner has reached out to discuss Coordinated Entry and the process of applying for the NPLH and affordable housing units. Debbie Villasenor, the Tehama County Housing Consultant will provide updates as things move along. Andrea will be presenting on Coordinated Entry at February's Stakeholders meeting. Heather will be sending out the stakeholder's meeting invitation this afternoon and Debbie will pass it along to the Corning city officials.

5. CoC Public Contacts – Andrea Curry

Cal ICH sent out a request to update our CoC contact information. A CoC Public Inquiry Contact is needed and is used to refer persons to our CoC who contact Cal ICH. Callers are asked what county they are from and are then given the Tehama CoC's contact phone number. Currently, Gail is the Primary Contact for CoC and Andrea is the Secondary Contact listed. 211 was suggested to use for the Public Contact phone number however, Gail continue in this roll.

6. Capacity Building – Andrea Curry

Homeless Housing and Prevention Round 3 (HHAP-3)

The CoC and the County will be applying jointly for Round 3 of HHAP funding. HHAP 1 & 2 funds have not been expended yet and are being reserved for PATH Plaza operation costs.

HHAP 3 requires a level of collaboration between the county and the CoC which we are already doing, and other requirements have been added to meet certain parameters in an updated 10-Year Plan to End Homeless, which Housing Tools will address in the Gaps Analysis that the CoC approved them to do for this round of HHAP funding. With the delay in Cal ICH releasing the HHAP-3 requirements, Housing Tools was also delayed in moving forward with our Gaps Analysis project. Andrea has been in touch with them about this delay and they are hoping to be at our March or April Stakeholder meeting once the additional guidance is posted.

HHAP-3 application also requires that racial equity goals be established. Cal ICH provided an opportunity to participate in the California Racial Equity Action Lab (CA REAL) which is a community of practice – small groups of peer learning circles that share actions and solutions that have worked for them. We are putting together our core team to participate in this and are using the guidelines from CA REAL on who to invite for our group. They strongly encourage to include Black, Indigenous and People of Color that have lived experience of homelessness. Heather and Andrea are participating as well as Avery Vilche from Tehama County Health Services Agency as well as a representative from Greenville Rancheria. During this community of practice, we will be linked with other counties and examine if we are addressing the needs of these populations and to create a plan to address any disparities that we find.

Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus (ESG-CV)

The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) has notified us that they we will be undergoing a desk monitoring in February/March to review documents for compliance of eligible expenses. Andrea will give an update if any at our next meeting.

Andrea would like to change some funding around due to the short expenditure time of the ESG-CV funding and move projects using CESH funds to utilize the ESG-CV funding before it's spending deadline. When the CoC gives money to the subgrantees it includes what source the money comes from. For example, the fairgrounds was funded by CESH but switched over to ESG-CV funds when they became available to keep the CESH funds in reserve due to it having a longer expenditure deadline. Andrea would like to know how to provide notification of these changes and how approval will work for each instance if the executive council approves her making these changes as they arise. Johnna noted that these changes are being made in real time and the best use of monies would be to use what is ending sooner to reserve what we can for the CESH funds and that we want these changes to be transparent since these are public funds.

ACTION: Tara made a motion to authorize Empower Tehama to shift expenditures made by subgrantees to the most appropriate funding sources as needed with regular reports provided to this council as needed. Johnna Jones seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

7. Community COVID-19 Update – Jayme Bottke

Tehama County's vaccine rate is slowing climbing but we are still the 3rd lowest in the state. The fully vaccinated population is 47.3% for Tehama County. Our partially vaccinated rate is over the halfway mark at 53% and children 5-11 are 3.6% partially vaccinated. The total that tested positive yesterday was at 29% and it is climbing and comes in at 32% today. We are currently seeing a spike in cases. Of the nineteen that are hospitalized there are two in the ICU that are seeing milder symptoms for those that were vaccinated. Testing numbers are over one hundred each day and we are falling behind in contract tracing again. We are a few weeks behind the states numbers. We hope to see our numbers flatten out instead of continuing to rise. The number of days that we are offering vaccines has increased. The Public Health clinic schedule is 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM on Walnut Street, Public Health clinic in Corning on Solano Street is also 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. The My Turn website is still the best way to schedule your appointment. At the Tehama County Community Center testing is offered Monday - Wednesday 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM and vaccinations are offered Wednesday - Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM. Pfizer Vaccines are offered for adults and pediatrics on Wednesday and Fridays. Public Health has been working with health care partners and reached out to city managers and assisted living homes to distribute testing kits. The Department of Education received pallets of tests and have given them out to various school districts. The Primary Care Clinic may have some tests as well as home kits.

Tehama County Covid-19 updates can be found at [COVID Data - Tehama County Health Services \(tehamacohealthservices.net\)](https://tehamacohealthservices.net) 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 February 23, 2022, at 9:30 AM and will be held via Zoom.
Update: Due to multiple scheduling conflicts, February's meeting was cancelled. The next meeting of the Tehama CoC Executive Council is scheduled for March 23, 2022.