



Tuolumne County Homelessness Committee (Minutes of the Meeting on January 12, 2023)

<u>2022 TCCoH Membership</u>	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Oct 2022	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023
Supervisor David Goldemberg - Chair	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*						
Colette Such, District 1 Rep.	✓	✓	E	✓	✓	✓						
Shelley Muniz, District 2 Rep.	✓	✓	✓	✓	E	✓						
Larry Barsetti, District 3 Rep.	V	V	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Dana Butow, District 4 Rep.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Jeanette Lambert, District 5 Rep.	E	✓	A	✓	✓	✓						
Joe Bors, ATCAA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Andy Merrill, City of Sonora Rep.	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓						
LeeAnn Hatton, Rep. Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California	E	E	✓	✓	E	✓						
Darla Merlin, Rep. Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians	E	E	✓	A	✓*	✓						
Thomas Crosby, Rep. Tuolumne County Business Council	V	✓	E	✓	E	✓						
Bill Pooley, Tuolumne County Sheriff	E	E	✓	✓	✓*	A						
Kris Albrecht, Tuolumne County Veteran Services	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓						
Cathie Peacock, Interfaith	✓	✓	✓	E	✓	E						
Jennifer Salazar, Lived Experience	V	E	✓	✓	✓	✓						
NON-VOTING ADVISORS REP.												
Adventist Health Sonora					✓	✓						
Central Sierra Continuum of Care (CSCoC) Youth Advisory Board					✓	✓						
Law Enforcement						✓						
Superintendent of Schools Office		✓				✓						
Tuolumne County District Attorney's Office	✓											
Tuolumne County Health & Human Services Agency	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						

Present = ✓ Absent = A Excused = E Vacant = V

15 Committee Members = 9 Quorum

* Supervisor Ryan Campbell attended for Chair & Supervisor Goldemberg

<u>Tuolumne County Staff in Attendance</u>	<u>Other Guests in Attendance</u>
Michael Roberson, Homeless Services Coordinator	Denise Cloward, Housing Director for Amador Tuolumne County Action Agency
Jessica Alley, Executive Clerk	
Christina Nixon, Social Services Supervisor	

I. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Campbell called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

II. ROLL CALL

All Committee Members and staff introduced themselves. Jessica Alley confirmed a quorum was present.

III. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 8, 2022, MEETING MINUTES

Larry Barsetti made a motion to approve the minutes of December 8th, 2022. Andy Merrill seconded the motion. The minutes of December 8th, 2022 were approved unanimously.

There was no public comment.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (3 minutes per person)

A member of the public provided comment regarding pedestrian dangers. She provided information regarding Tuolumne County Transit resources and provided the new bus schedule to meeting attendees.

A member of the public requested the committee discuss more regarding emergency overnight shelters and state guidelines for extreme weather events.

V. UPDATE ON COMMITTEE NAME & RULES

Supervisor Campbell informed the Committee that the Board of Supervisors has made recent changes to commission and committee policy/ rules. The primary change for this group was the title change from the Tuolumne County Commission on Homelessness to the Tuolumne County Homelessness Committee.

Michael Roberson provided a handout, "Policy Advisory Committee" as further explanation of recent changes. He noted that the Board may be making further revisions to the Committee Handbook for all County Committees which will be brought to the Board of Supervisors meeting on February 7th, 2023.

Prior to public comment, a member of the public asked how many members of the public were involved in the revision of Committee policy and provided comment regarding the distribution of authority involving County Supervisors.

Michael Roberson advised all other public comment to be on hold until after Committee Member discussion.

Committee Members asked clarifying questions and provided comments related to recent committee policy changes. Michael Roberson provided further clarification.

A member of the public stated they do not believe the homeless of our community are concerned with issues involving committee policy.

A member of the public noted disagreement with public comment policy relating to Brown Act compliance. She noted her presence at the Board of Supervisor's meeting while Supervisors were discussing committee policy changes.

Pablo Lopez with Public Health suggested expanding the meeting time to fit all desired agenda topics.

VI. PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION FROM AMADOR TUOLUMNE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

Michael Roberson introduced Denise Cloward, the Housing Director with Amador Tuolumne County Action Agency (ATCAA). Joe Bors provided an introduction for the presentation.

Denise Cloward presented information and provided handouts regarding ATCAA's assisted housing programs and funding allocations from government grants including Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP). She referred to the Central Sierra Continuum of Care (centralsierracoc.org) and ATCAA (www.atcaa.org) websites for further information regarding grant-funded programs related to housing.

Committee Members asked clarifying questions and provided comments related to the ATCAA presentation.

A member of the public provided comment on the location of a housing project located in Sonora.

Pablo Lopez with Public Health asked about the waitlist for housing and funding availability for Project Room Key. Denise Cloward provided a response.

VII. TUOLUMNE COUNTY HOMELESS SERVICES REPORT & DISCUSSION

Michael Roberson spoke of his gratitude for this committee and the additional project workgroups established through Committee meetings. He reported on the Homelessness Committee initiatives brought to Board. He will be working with Committee Members Collette Such and Shelley Muniz on the Safe Parking Plan. It will be provided to the Committee and eventually presented to the Board of Supervisors. He referenced his handout "Tuolumne County Homeless Committee 2023 Annual Committee Work" and further discussed each topic. Michael addressed concerns with emergency housing with the current weather conditions noting limitations involved with state emergency guidelines related to temperature and weather severity. Supervisor Campbell provided additional information.

Committee members asked clarifying questions and provided comments.

A member of the public requested Michael Roberson to submit a newsletter or article to inform the public about what Homeless Services is doing.

Dana Butow provided comment regarding the recording of future meetings. Supervisor Campbell provided a response.

VIII. SERVICE PROVIDER REPORTS & DISCUSSION

Nancy Gray with Give Someone a Chance provided information regarding services they provide at the Adventist Church and the Red Church with their Shower Bus and Mobile Laundry Vehicle. She noted a need for more volunteers.

Shelley Muniz with Resiliency Village provided an update on their current priorities. They are working to identify the needs of those who were displaced in the closing of Camp Hope. They have provided tents and supplies during the storm and are working to address issues with trash which have been more apparent with storms and flooding.

Larry Barsetti left the meeting at 11:02 AM and returned at 11:05 AM.

Jennifer Salazar noted what she has witnessed while serving the community and issues with displaced homeless, weather issues, and ongoing dump fees.

Discussion ensued between Committee Members. Supervisor Campbell extended an invitation for Jennifer Salazar to attend the next Solid Waste Committee meeting.

Jeanette Lambert with the Lambert Center suggested an initiative to discourage community members from donating items directly to camps which may be causing additional waste issues. She shared a recent positive experience at the Lambert Center with a homeless individual who expressed gratitude to the Lambert Center for their assistance to keep him off drugs.

Kelly Camp with Central Sierra Continuum of Care (CSCoC) handed out a flyer for the next Youth Action Board (YAB) virtual meeting on January 17th. The YAB is working to create incentives based on the input of youth in the community. CSCoC is planning to sign up for Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program which would allow them to apply for funding for a youth or teen emergency shelter. They are also working on establishing a "Point-in-time Count" which would more accurately estimate how many youths in the area are experiencing homelessness at any point-in-time. The CSCoC Youth Advisory Committee made up of the adults who advise the YAB meets on the 2nd Monday of each month at 1:00 PM via zoom. The Governing Board meeting where updates for CSCoC are conducted is the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10:30 AM via zoom. Kelly Camp requests you reach out to her to get zoom links for attending any of the mentioned virtual meetings.

Joe Bors with ATCAA spoke about their current housing availability for 18- to 24-year-olds.

Under public comment, Pablo Lopez shared information regarding testing resources that Public Health is providing to the homeless. Andy Merrill provided additional information.

A member of the public who works at Public Health provided information regarding the implementation of a medical health van which will be going out in the community to provide various medical resources to rural areas hopefully starting this summer.

IX. TUOLUMNE COUNTY HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS & DISCUSSION

Supervisor Campbell stated his gratitude for the Committee for their efforts to improve the community.

LeeAnn Hatton reported Chicken Ranch Rancheria recently received a Tribal Grant. The grant is specifically for youth, she is reaching out to the local High Schools to get direct

input from the affected youth. Chicken Ranch Rancheria also working on obtaining a grant for the Matheson Clinic and Resiliency Village.

Larry Barsetti requested committee members avoid using or make sure to explain different acronyms when referring to programs or funding.

Shelley Muniz reported housing some youth at Resiliency Village.

Joe Bors announced the opening of a new ATCAA shelter in Jackson yesterday.

Jeanette Lambert announced they are always open to more volunteers at the Lambert Center.

Colette Such expressed her enthusiasm to be involved in the Safe Parking ad-hoc.

Christina Nixon announced grant funding for specific Health & Human Services Agency services and their involvement in the planning of a Safe Parking program.

Andy Merrill will be addressing issues with City Hall for housing and countywide trash clean-up solutions.

A member of the public expressed gratitude to the committee for their efforts to help the homeless.

A member of the public noted Love Tuolumne is looking for projects to initiate in the community starting as soon as April 2023.

X. FUTURE MEETING DATES & TIMES REMINDER

Michael Roberson announced the next meeting will be Thursday, February 9th, 2023, at 5:30 PM at the Tuolumne Community Resiliency Center, however, they are looking to see if can utilize the Sonora Main Library.

The upcoming meetings will be Thursday, March 9th, 2023, at 9:00 AM. and Thursday, April 13th, 2023, at 9:00 AM with meeting locations to be determined.

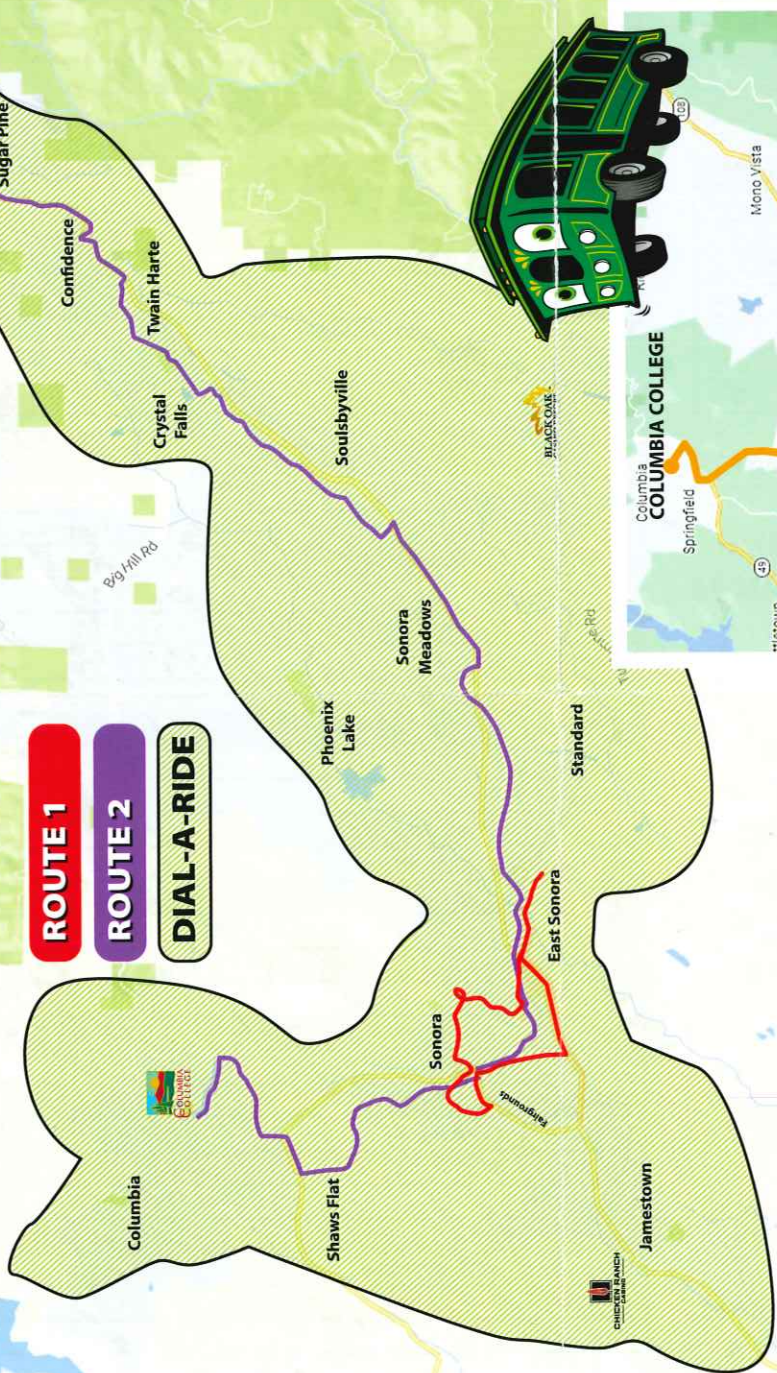
Committee Members discussed location options, the possibility of extending the duration of the monthly committee meetings, and other possible improvements.

Under public comment, Pablo Lopez suggested having a second monthly meeting for topics that may take more time on the agenda.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Campbell adjourned the meeting at 11:47 AM.

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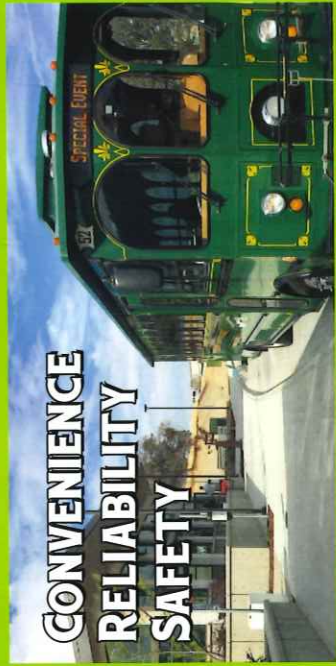
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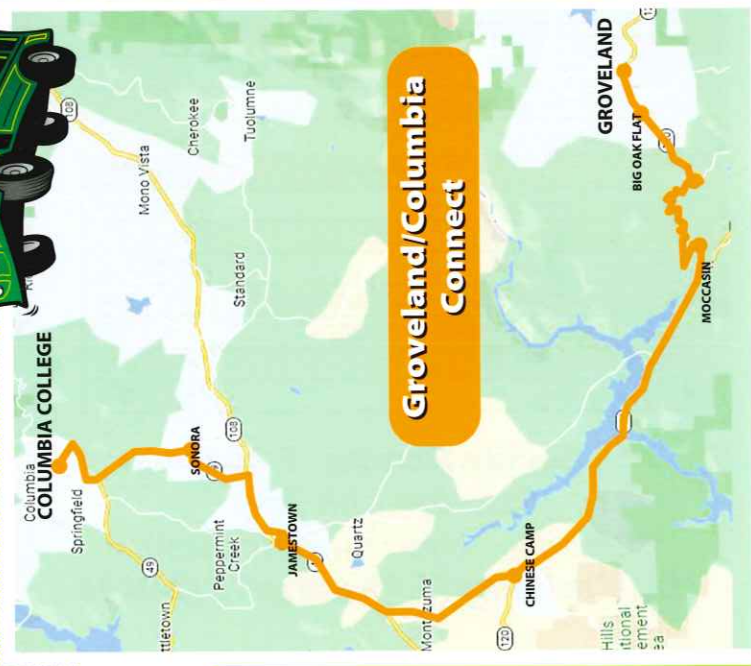
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- The types of trips eligible for reimbursement are limited to those that are pre-approved through the eligibility documentation and approval process.

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| Health Care | Banking |
| Personal Errands | Shopping |
| Visit Friends and Family | School |
| Religious Activities | Volunteering |
| Dining | Recreation |
| Meetings | Events |
| Drug/Alcohol rehabilitation | Other |



Groveland/Columbia Connect

Route 1- Sonora loop														
Transit Center R2	010		7:20	8:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	12:30	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	5:30	6:30
Timberhills Shopping Center(Upper Save Mart)	135		7:34	8:34	9:34	10:34	11:34	12:34	1:34	2:34	3:34	4:34	5:34	6:34
Veterans Administration	x		FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG
Junction Shopping Center (TJ Max) R2	002		7:41	8:41	9:41	10:41	11:41	12:41	1:41	2:41	3:41	4:41	5:41	6:41
Sonora Post Office	x	6:40	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG
Stockton Rd. (Near Save Mart)	x	Flag	Flag	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG	FLAG
Sonora Comm. Estates/Dragoon Gulch.	110	6:45	7:54	8:54	9:54	10:54	11:54	12:54	1:54	2:54	3:54	4:54	5:54	6:54
Sonora High School	x	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD
Courthouse Park R2	003	6:50	7:59	8:59	9:59	10:59	11:59	12:59	1:59	2:59	3:59	4:59	5:59	6:59
Blackberry Oaks Apartments	x	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD	OD
Greenley Rd. - Sonora Terrace Apartments	115	6:56	8:03	9:03	10:03	11:03	12:03	1:03	2:03	3:03	4:03	5:03	6:03	7:03
Social Services/Quail Hollow Apartments	120	6:58	8:05	9:05	10:05	11:05	12:05	1:05	2:05	3:05	4:05	5:05	6:05	7:05
Skate Park/Library/Senior Center	125	7:03	8:10	9:10	10:10	11:10	12:10	1:10	2:10	3:10	4:10	5:10	6:10	7:10
Adventist Health Sonora (Hospital)	130	7:06	8:11	9:11	10:11	11:11	12:11	1:11	2:11	3:11	4:11	5:11	6:11	7:11
Walmart (Crossroads Shopping Center)	1	7:10	8:15	9:15	10:15	11:15	12:15	1:15	2:15	3:15	4:15	5:15	6:15	7:15
Transit Center R2	010	7:16	8:21	9:21	10:21	11:21	12:21	1:21	2:21	3:21	4:21	5:21	6:21	7:21

Groveland/Columbia Connect		
Mary Laveroni Park	x	6:30
Big Oak Flat(On Demand)	x	6:35
Moccasin - Switchback Rd(On Demand)	x	6:50
Chinese Camp - Convenience Store(On Demand)	x	7:00
Jamestown - Post Office	325	7:15
Sonora - Courthouse Square R1,R2	003	7:30
Columbia College R2	004	7:45
Columbia College to Groveland		
Columbia College R2	004	4:00
Sonora - Courthouse Square R1,R2	003	4:15
Jamestown - Rocca Park	310	4:25
Chinese Camp - Convenience Store(On Demand)	x	4:40
Moccasin - Switchback Rd(On Demand)	x	4:50
Big Oak Flat- (On Demand)	x	5:10
Mary Laveroni Park	x	5:15

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- No fares are being collected from passengers
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Route 2 - Sierra Village- Sonora- Columbia						
Sierra Village	205	6:25	9:30		1:28	
Mi-Wuk Village	x	FLAG	FLAG		FLAG	
Sugar Pine (Opposite Sugar Shack)	215	6:31	9:36		1:34	
Twain Harte Market	220	6:38	9:45		1:41	
Twain Harte 7-11	225	6:41	9:49		1:44	
Crystal Falls Market	x	OD	OD		OD	
Willow Springs Clubhouse	007	6:52	10:00		1:54	
Sunshine Rd @ Hwy 108	x	OD	OD		OD	
Mono Way @ Indian Rock Center	x	FLAG	FLAG		FLAG	
Mono Way @ Elsey Ct	x	OD	OD		OD	
Junction Shopping Center (TJ MAXX) R1	002	7:05	10:15		2:10	
Mono Way @ Fir Drive	x	FLAG	FLAG		FLAG	
Crossroads Shopping Center (Walmart)	001	7:15	10:25		2:20	
Transit Center R1	010	7:20	10:30	11:05	2:25	4:40
Sonora Plaza	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Washington/Church St.	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Courthouse Park R1	003	7:27		11:12		4:47
Sonora High School	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Shaws Flat/Mt. Brow	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Parrotts Ferry @ Columbia MHP	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Columbia Airport	x	OD		OD		OD
Columbia State Park (Fulton Theater)	415	7:40		11:33		5:08
Yankee Hill @ Big Hill	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Columbia College(Calaveras Connect)	004	7:50		11:45		5:18
Columbia College	004	7:55		11:55		5:23
Yankee Hill @ Big hill	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Columbia State Park (Park HQ)	355	8:05		12:05		5:33
Parrotts Ferry @ Union Hill	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Shaws Flat/Mt. Brow	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Sonora High School	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Courthouse Park R1	003	8:20		12:20		5:48
Transit Center R1	010	8:25		12:28		5:53
Crossroads Shopping Center (Walmart) R1	001	8:30		12:33		5:58
The Junction (TJ MAXX) R1	002	8:38		12:41		6:06
Mikes Pizza/Mono Way	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Willow Springs Clubhouse	007	8:50		12:53		6:14
Crystal Falls Market	x	OD		OD		OD
Twain Harte 7-11	225	9:00		1:00		6:24
Twain Harte Market	220	9:03		1:03		6:27
Sugar Pine (Fire Department)	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Me Wuk Village	x	FLAG		FLAG		FLAG
Sierra Village	205	9:20		1:20		6:45

Policy Advisory Committees

Approved by Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors 12/06/2022

The Board of Supervisors is the policy-making body of the County of Tuolumne. No other County official, representative and/or committee may make policy on behalf of the County of Tuolumne unless expressly authorized by federal or state law, County ordinance, or resolution and/or other act of delegation by the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors desires to utilize policy advisory committees to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the full Board.

Purpose

The Board of Supervisors desires to create policy advisory committees in order to serve the full Board by:

1. The primary focus is to achieve Board Goals and Priorities
2. Insuring policy items coming to the full Board are mature:
 - the policy issue has been properly defined
 - all reasonable alternatives relative to a particular policy issue have been identified, researched, and considered
 - recommendations are clear and well substantiated
3. Providing a place for investigation of specific policy issues brought to the full Board's attention by members of the Board and/or public; and
4. Providing a forum for early and complete public vetting of potentially controversial policy issues.

Authority

The authority of any Board policy committee stems from the full Board which defines, and limits said authority. The Board of Supervisors authorize Policy Advisory Committees to complete their work in alignment with the Strategic Goals adopted by the Board of Supervisors and the following guidelines:

1. Through the Board approved purpose statements for each committee;
2. Committees are not to address and/or direct departmental operational issues;
3. Committees shall serve in an advisory capacity only to the full Board through Principal Staff Support assigned to the committee;
4. Committees shall serve to support decision-making by the full Board;
5. Committees cannot direct or initiate policy action, establish departmental work priorities, and/or commit County resources without the authorization of the full Board; and
6. Annual committee work programs shall be developed and forwarded to the full Board for approval as to the items to be worked on, the priority order in which they should be addressed, and the use of resources to pursue the same.
7. Should the full Board approve, an Ad Hoc Committee can be established, with no more than two (2) Board members, for a limited time (less than 12 months) and a specific purpose.

Rules

The Board of Supervisors desires to create general rules to govern the conduct of all its policy advisory committees. Upon Board approval, this Handbook will supersede all committee bylaws, resolutions, and Board actions and will be used as the primary guide for running committee meetings.

Those general rules shall be as follows:

Membership

1. The committee chair and vice-chair shall be members of the Board of Supervisors as annually appointed.
2. Committee meetings must not occur without at least one Board Member present.
3. It will be the responsibility of the appointed member who cannot attend a meeting to find their replacement and arrange for the meeting information (e.g. agendas, back-up materials, etc.) to be provided to the alternate. Alternate attendees should be prepared to participate in meetings as called upon. In the event, a regular delegate of any Board committee, commission, or other organization cannot attend a meeting and the designated alternate is unable to attend in their place, any other member of the Board of Supervisors may serve as an alternate for that meeting.
4. Committee chairs are expected to report back to the full Board on activities of their respective committees under Board Reports at the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meetings.
5. Unless otherwise established in the Committee creation/modification resolution or minute order the terms shall be staggered and a minimum of 2 years.
6. All applications will be considered when filling district-specific vacancies. However, preference will be given to district residents.
7. Applicants will be required to attend a minimum of two meetings prior to their appointment. The purpose of this requirement is for the applicant to become familiar with the Committee Workplan and mission before membership commitment.
8. Committee members may be required to submit an Oath of Office with the Clerk of the Board's Office, upon appointment and before attending their first meeting as a voting member.
9. A member who is recorded as unexcused absent for 3 consecutive meetings may be removed from the Committee and their seat declared vacant by the Chair of the Committee. Notification shall be made in writing to the absentee member and the Board of Supervisors. An absence is recorded as an excused absence when the principal staff person is notified immediately.
10. If any member of a Committee fails to fulfill their duties and/or consistently distracts from the Workplan established and approved by the Board of Supervisors said member shall be removed from their appointed seat by a majority vote of the Committee.

Meeting Protocols

1. Agendas shall be set by the chair in consultation with the principal staff support. Items cannot be put on the agenda if they are outside of the purview of the committee/commission.
2. Agendas shall contain at a minimum the following elements according to Ralph M. Brown Act:

- Meeting Location, Date, and Time
 - Participation Procedures (if not in person only)¹
 - Call to Order & Roll Call for Hybrid/Virtual Meetings
 - Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (Regular Agenda)
 - Open Public Comment for items not on the printed agenda under the Committee/Commission's purview
 - Discussion Items with a brief general description of each item to be discussed or transacted at the meeting
 - Adjournment
 - Notice for Special Assistance/Accommodations and Access to Late Agenda Materials with Contact Information
3. All committee agenda items shall be presented through a staff report or presentation that discusses the policy issue at hand, alternative approaches to address the policy issue, and the staff's preliminary recommendation. Staff reports are needed to focus committee deliberations and ensure agenda items are sufficiently mature for a preliminary discussion. Staff will determine the most appropriate and experienced presenters; this may require outside consultants.
 4. The dual goals for complex policy issues coming to the full Board are that they have been fully researched and have a committee recommendation associated with them. It is the responsibility of the principal staff person to bring the recommendation to the full Board for their final decision on the committee recommendation. If a recommendation cannot be reached (via consensus or formal vote), the item shall not move forward to the Board.
 5. Meetings shall be scheduled and determined by the Committees on an annual basis ², unless otherwise specified. Meetings may be canceled according to the Ralph M. Brown Act requirements if there is no business to discuss. Special meetings can be scheduled as required following Ralph M. Brown Act requirements.
 6. Committee meetings are subject to the open meeting laws contained in the Ralph M. Brown Act including requirements for proper postings of agendas³ opportunities for public comment³ and agenda back-up documentation.
 7. The definition of a quorum is the full voting membership count (even if seats are vacant) divided in half, plus one. For example, full voting membership is 20 members, thus a quorum would be 11 members. If a quorum is not met, meetings shall be canceled according to the Ralph M. Brown Act requirements. Government Code § 54952.2. and § 54952.6.
 8. Committee meetings will be canceled or rescheduled if neither the chair nor vice-chair are present and they are not able to find an alternate Board member; if the meeting is canceled, no business related to the purpose of the committee may be discussed.
 9. Summary minutes of committee meetings shall be prepared by the principal staff support or their designee and adopted by the committee. Summary minutes⁴ should include all appearances, presentations, actions taken relative to agenda business, and all recesses and reconvening times.
 10. Should the full Board approve, an Ad Hoc subcommittee can be established, with no more than 2 Board members, for a limited time (less than 12 months) and a specific purpose.

Operational Processes:

- 1 Due to the nature of County committee meetings, each agenda shall specify in-person and/or virtual options for participation and public comment.
 - 2 Ensure the committees' webpage is maintained to reflect current information for regular meeting dates and times and that it is also on the main page calendar.
 - 3 Agenda posting should occur through the County website "Agenda Center" which will publish to all subscribers upon posting. The agenda should also be pushed to the committees' event on the main calendar of the website. A printed copy of the agenda shall be posted on the outside of the building where the meeting will take place in an accessible and well-lit area.
 - 4 To ensure consistency and transparency all draft minutes should be watermarked with draft and included with the agenda posting for approval. Once the minutes are approved and finalized, they shall be posted in the "Agenda Center" on the County website as a separate attachment under the original meeting date "Minutes".
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Carter St- Tri plex

Columbia-3 Modulares

(Amador Varley Place) 12 Apartments HUD VASH

Amador Shelter-22 General Homeless Population

Amador Shelter 2- General Homeless Population focus on elderly, single individuals

(Amador County)- MOU w Health and Human Services to provide HDAP, Whole Person Care- operating new Shelter)-HHAP R 1

(Referrals from Street Outreach, Sutter Hospital, Local Day Center, Sierra Wind Wellness and Recovery Center)

Both Amador Tuolumne Shelters operate -CACFP onsite for nutritious meals that are allowable

Tuolumne Shelter-26 General Homeless Population

Central Sierra Home Safe- Rental Assistance Programs (CDBG, ESG, ESG CV, HSP)

Chair of the EFSP (Emergency Food and Shelter Program) FEMA funding both Amador/Tuolumne Counties

Tuol. Adventist Health- HP/RR/Utilities (15)

Sutter Health – Amador – Modified Room Key

ATCAA is the collaborative applicant for the Central Sierra Continuum of Care-CA-526 x4 of 8 ATCAA -3 Tuol, PSH, HMIS, COC RR

ATCAA is the Administrative Entity for the HEAP/ Homeless Housing Assistance program

(HHAP R1,R2,R3,R4)

ATCAA is the Administrative Entity for regional ESG/ESG CV funding

Approx. 5.5 contractually obligated across 4 Counties

ATCAA 3.8 Audit last FY

HEAP- Homeless Emergency Aid Program

\$1,273,313.57 divided equally 4 counties (\$302,412) all counties- no formula or Gov structure confirmed as of this first funding allocation

Projects:

1. Tuolumne-Stanislaus Housing Authority- renovate Hill side apartments with No Place Like Home leverage funds
2. Calaveras: Room Key – local hotels (Sierra Hope Transitional)
3. Mariposa- erect homeless navigation center/Shelter outside of HHS
4. City of Jackson (P/T transient officer position)
5. Victory Village- construction employment center onsite
6. Amador Food Bank- showers, laundry facility
7. ATCAA Repaint current shelter

HHAP R 1- \$1,917,594,.67

Tuolumne HHS-85,064 (Youth)

Tuolumne Coordinator-142,991 (see attached budget)

Resiliency Village-280,374- land purchase, shelter

Sierra Hope-422,483- Transitional house

Alliance DV-293,770- Shelter

ATCAA RR Tuolumne 125,000- RR

ATCAA new shelter Amador County- 450,841 (Jackson)

HHAP R 2- \$700,487

Alliance -DV Shelter Mariposa- 85,639

City of Jackson Amador PD (Mobile shower unit, officer) 177,906

Sierra Hope Calaveras -THOUSE -97,720

Cal HHS- 97,242

ATCAA Tuolumne- New Stewart Street shelter -170,670

ATCAA Amador Youth Housing – 35,000

HHAP R 3 In process, 3 of our 4 Counties in Region have redirected back through the CoC.

ATCAA

\$
77,000
REQUESTED
AMOUNT

VICTORY VILLAGE

\$
210,630
REQUESTED
AMOUNT

CITY OF JACKSON

\$
500,000
REQUESTED
AMOUNT

\$
787,630

SIERRA HOPE

\$
270,727
REQUESTED
AMOUNT

ALLIANCE

\$
225,727
REQUESTED
AMOUNT

RESILIENCY VILLAGE

\$
100,000
REQUESTED
AMOUNT

TUOLUMNE COUNTY

\$
465,617
REQUESTED
AMOUNT

SONORA POLICE

\$
114,418
REQUESTED
AMOUNT

ESG CV- All counties \$ 2,257,000,000- Rapid Rehousing, Emergency Shelter, HMIS, Street Outreach,
Temp ES.

CoC- 420,000-

4 ATCAA
1 CAL PSH
1TUA PSH
1MAR PSH
1HMIS
Planning grant

Tuolumne County Homelessness Committee

2023 Annual Committee Work

Background

In March of 2022, Michael Roberson started employment with the County as the Homeless Services Coordinator and began working on identifying existing components of care within the County system in an effort to establish a strong system of care for those who are homeless or vulnerable to homelessness in Tuolumne County.

Consistent consultation and discussion with Health & Human Services Agency (HHS) Director Rebecca Espino and members of HHS staff were informative in gaining understanding of what County services exist, how they are accessed, and current gaps in service. Collaborative relationships were established with local and regional stakeholders to include Tuolumne County Commission on Homelessness (TCCOH), Tuolumne County Community Development Department (CDD), Central Sierra Continuum of Care (CSCoC), Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority (SRHA), City of Sonoma leadership, tribal government leaders, homeless services leaders, non-profit service providers, faith-based organizational leaders and members of the community.

Michael Roberson also consulted with Change Well, an organization whose purpose is to assist communities to scale programs that serve families, older adults, and individuals with disabilities who are experiencing homelessness. They provide technical assistance, training, and workforce to support California counties and tribal communities in scaling existing programs, developing a prepared and effective workforce, and advancing system integration efforts to strengthen the rehousing systems homelessness program across the state. Through six private consultations and six sessions in a comprehensive learning cohort with fifty program leaders from across the state of California, information and insight was gained related to designing and administering housing programs. As a result of these efforts, a visual illustration of the flow of the system of care for Tuolumne County Homeless Services was created.

On November 3, 2022, Governor Newsom announced the state was holding distribution of the third round of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) grants for local governments whose plans, collectively, would only reduce statewide unsheltered homelessness by 2% by 2024. (Tuolumne County's HHAP-3 plan would reduce unsheltered homelessness by 10%). On November 18, 2022, the Governor set a path forward for applicants to receive their HHAP round three funding provided that local governments agree to more ambitious reductions in unsheltered homelessness. The Governor challenged local leaders to submit more ambitious plans for their next round of funding and to agree to the attached "best practices".

Several priority projects must come to fruition or be strengthened to fill identified gaps and to strengthen the overall system of care for Tuolumne County Homeless Services as well as to meet the expectations of the newly agreed upon best practices.

Priority Projects

Community Toolkit on Homelessness

Homeless people are members of our community and should be extended the same level of consideration as those who are housed. However, every private citizen, business, and property owner deserves to live their life free of the negative impacts of those living unhoused. A community toolkit will address County policy and practice related to citizen rights, law enforcement efforts, and homelessness.

Coordinated Entry

The Coordinated Entry System (CES) is a Continuum of Care (CoC) established system-wide process to quickly and equitably coordinate the Housing & Urban Development (HUD) requirements of access, assessment, prioritization, and referrals to housing and services for people experiencing or at imminent risk of homelessness. HHSA staff has been trained and the system is being developed consistent with the programs offered. Other regional service providers input their project information to this system to help create accurate data-driven assessments and reports.

Homeless Management Information System

A Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is a local information technology system used to collect client-level data and data on the provision of housing and services to homeless individuals and families and persons at risk of homelessness. Each CoC is responsible for selecting an HMIS software solution that complies with HUD's data collection, management, and reporting standards. Regional partners are obligated to use the HMIS system. HMIS is operational in Tuolumne County and is expanding consistent with staff training and program development.

Navigation Center

Navigation Centers are a critical tool in the effort to end homelessness. Navigation Centers provide intensive case management to connect people to the unique care and housing solutions they need. Clients receive personalized support to help address housing barriers such as lack of personal identity documents, employment opportunities, or histories of eviction. If a Navigation Center has a housing component the housing is temporary and low barrier with on-site case management, streamlined access to social services and medical care, and coordinated entry into pathways to permanent housing. Tuolumne County also has a need for a mobile and outreach-oriented component of navigation services.

Transitional Shelter

Transitional shelters are a form of temporary housing that is typically offered with other supportive services for a set period of time and could be a part of a more permanent Navigation Center but with the option for a longer stay.

Safe Parking

A Safe Parking program is intended for adults who are using their vehicles as housing. The Safe Parking program would provide a safe parking environment on County property by permit only with the requirement that the program participant is engaged in a person-centered case management plan to support stabilization and movement toward permanent housing.

Landlord Education & Engagement

Private market landlords are critical partners in the work to help people quickly exit homelessness. Strong connections to landlords are even more important in high-cost, low-vacancy markets, where affordable housing options are limited and even those with a voucher may find themselves unable to locate a unit. Successful landlord partnerships are locally driven and involve ongoing engagement. No single approach is the answer, the unique needs and assets of each community must be considered. Partnerships with Amador Tuolumne Community Action Agency (ATCAA), Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority, Tuolumne County Association of Realtors, local property managers, and landlords are essential in this effort. Core components should include a housing locator, a housing manager, a centralized housing hotline, housing search assistance, risk mitigation funds for landlords, mediators, subsidies for flexible funds, education classes, and landlord recruitment events.

Distributive Housing

Distributive housing is a model that Tuolumne County currently uses through services provided by HHSA staff. Homes designated for specific purposes and distributed around the County could be used for Veteran's, women, families, recovery, recuperation, or support to those with a mental health diagnosis. Tuolumne County has access to funds to purchase residential properties and to offer those properties to individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness for both transitional and supportive housing. Shared housing agreements and rent amounts would be fairly structured. For those who need personal or housing support, services would flow through HHSA and other service providers who serve the homeless. In addition, active participation in a care plan would be required.

Increase in Permanent Housing

Increased capacity for permanent housing in Tuolumne County is paramount to solutions for homelessness. Continued collaboration with SRHA and the Tuolumne County CDD will include coordinated efforts for acquiring grant funds as well as creating partnerships with developers and other stakeholders that are attractional and supportive and that will yield an increase in permanent housing capacity.

Staff

Current staff that has some responsibility for homeless services are:

Michelle Clark, Social Services Director

Nicole Griswold, Social Services Agency Manager

Christina Nixon, Social Services Supervisor, In-Home Supportive Services & Homeless Services

Betsey Coe, Behavioral Health Worker, Crisis Assessment & Intervention Program (CAIP)

Current staff that is dedicated solely to homeless services:

Michael Roberson, Homeless Services Coordinator

Wittney Hawkins, Social Worker

Julie McNair, Social Worker

Stephanie Frazel, Clerical Support

Needed homeless services staff:

Housing Locator/Housing Manager

Financial

Some of the elements of the Homeless Services System of Care are supported by HHSA and the funds they receive from state and federal sources. Other necessary funding to support system components would come through grant funds as available to include but not limited to HHAP, COC, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) and the Community Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment ACT (CARE ACT).

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Mariposa
&
Tuolumne
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⁴ LOCATIONS

AMADOR: 1 Prosperity Court, Sutter Creek, CA
(Off Ridge Road, across from the Bowling Alley)

CALAVERAS: 7 Main Street, San Andreas, CA
(Corner of Highway 49 and Main Street at the
blinking light, across the street from Goonies)

TUOLUMNE: 197 Mono Way, Suite B, Sonora, CA
(Red brick building on Mono Way above Grocery Outlet)

MARIPOSA: 5362 Lemee Lane, Mariposa, CA
(In the county Health and Human Services building, off
Highway 49)

JANUARY

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3:00pm-4:15pm

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