

HOMELESSNESS STRATEGIC PLAN — SUMMARY

GOAL 1

Increase Housing Options in the City of Tracy

GOAL 2

Increase Access to Coordinated
Support Services for People
Experiencing Homelessness

GOAL 3

Develop Action Plans for Engaging with People Experiencing Homelessness

GOAL 4

Enact Specific Strategies for Vulnerable Subpopulations Experiencing Homelessness

OBJECTIVES

- SHORT-TERM: Identify immediate temporary "Emergency Housing" options & integrate crisis support services.
- 2. MID-TERM: Identify "Transitional Housing" options & integrate wrap-around support services with Navigation Center.
- 3. LONG-TERM: Increase affordable housing stock & assist in securing "Permanent Housing" with continued support services from Case Managers.
- 4. CONTINUOUS: Proactively pursue local, state, and federal funding to support housing options and supportservices.
- 5. Create property-owner economic initiative to increase the number of private housing options to support housing for people transitioning out of homelessness.

- 1. Create a centralized location to serve as a "Navigation Center" where people experiencing homelessness can gain access to appropriate services and resources based on their immediate needs.
- 2. Secure access to addiction, mental health, family reunification, job training, & other appropriate support services at the Navigation Center.
- 3. Enhance coordination between local service providers and county agencies.
- 4. Evaluate effectiveness of current spending and consider reallocating resources, while continuing to pursue other funding options.

- 1. Establish "Law Enforcement Protocol" for initiating contact with people experiencing homelessness that complies with the recent *Martin v. Boise* decision.
- 2. Establish "Crisis Response Protocol" for local service providers to render rapid crisis support including after-hour services for people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness
- 3. Partner with county agencies (including the D.A.'s Office & County Jail) to evaluate opportunities for diversion programs or other alternatives to incarceration for people experiencing homelessness including a warm "hand off" to service providers to render immediate crisis support services or emergency housing.

- 1. Identify people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness in vulnerable subpopulations within the City of Tracy including, but not limited to, veterans, youth, the LGBT community, victims of crime, and people with behavioral health needs.
- 2. Ensure access to "Case Managers" for the vulnerable subpopulations who will educate and provide connections to appropriate support services and housing options.
- 3. Identify and apply for funding opportunities to secure resources that are specifically available to support people from the vulnerable subpopulations.
- 4. Develop a targeted initiative program to prevent "new" at-risk individuals from becoming homeless.

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