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EscaRosa Coalition on the Homeless
Continuum of Care Plan
2017-2020

Mission:
"To prevent and Eliminate Homelessness"

Vision and Values:

- Homelessness is unacceptable
- Homelessness is expensive
- Homelessness is preventable
- Homelessness can only be ended through a community-wide collaborative response

GOAL	OUTCOME	ACTIVITY
1. End chronic homelessness by 2017	A. Increase activities to reach the chronically homeless and connect them to housing and services as quickly as possible through the use of Housing First and Low Barrier concepts	1. Expand the street outreach program by having ECOH Case Managers available at congregate sites on a regular basis.
		2. Develop a by name list of all homeless persons.
		3. Create a permanent funding source to continue the pilot program targeting those who are high users of public services (health, mental health, public safety) moving them directly into permanent housing.
2. Reduce the number of families, youth and children who are homeless	A. Prevent families, youth and children from becoming homeless	1. Provide case managed prevention and rehousing programs for families that are close to becoming homeless.
	B. Increase the number of households with children that move straight from the streets or emergency shelters into permanent housing through the use of Housing First concepts	1. Access additional Rapid Rehousing dollars for those in need of immediate housing. 2. Facilitate implementation of the School Pilot program in Santa Rosa County.



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<p>3. Continue to lower incidents of homelessness for veterans</p>	<p>A. Increase collaborative programs and outreach between providers to serve homeless veterans.</p>	<p>1. Support the Coalition's Veterans Subcommittee. 2. Support additional VASH and SSVF funding opportunities for Coalition Partners.</p>
<p>4. Increase permanent housing for homeless families and individuals</p>	<p>A. Increase access to existing housing programs through collaboration and designation of units for homeless families and individuals</p>	<p>1. Expand the centralized database of available housing units for rent by families and individuals who are homeless or near homeless.</p>
		<p>2. Establish a landlord engagement program to expand the number of units available to those searching for housing options.</p>
		<p>3. Continue collaboration with PHA's, Section 8, and other permanent supportive housing providers to expand available units.</p>
	<p>B. Increase permanent housing and permanent housing beds with supportive services for the chronically homeless.</p>	<p>1. Hold a community forum on affordable housing for families and individuals.</p>
		<p>2. Develop a plan for expansion of permanent housing in the service area.</p>
		<p>3. Pilot a Tiny House project.</p>
<p>5. Prevent and end homelessness through community coordination</p>	<p>A. Increase coordination between agencies.</p>	<p>1. Provide free HMIS licenses to shelter providers</p>
		<p>2. All funders (City, County, Private) require grantees to participate in the Management Information System</p>
		<p>3. Implement Coordinated Entry by HUD deadline of 1/23/18.</p>
	<p>B. Improve the data integrity in the HMIS system</p>	<p>1. Provide continual training on the system.</p>
		<p>2. Create incentives for data improvement.</p>
	<p>C. Increase knowledge of homeless issues and programs available for homeless in the community</p>	<p>1. Hold a 30th anniversary breakfast and founder recognition event</p>



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		2. Hold a resource summit for service providers to educate other service providers on their services.
		3. Engage a Marketing Firm.
		4. Develop and distribute to businesses and individuals I-CARE cards which list basic services available in the community for handing out to persons in need
		5. Hold a community "Walk in my Shoes" forum
		6. Co-locate appropriate service providers to provide a one stop Centralized Coordinated Access Center for intake and referral.
		7. Commission a study with the UWF Haas Center to determine the costs of homelessness in the CoC service area.
		8. Commission the UWF Haas Center to conduct a Community Risk evaluation if services for the homeless do not exist (may be combined with 5).