

Strategies for providing efficient and effective services for homelessness while addressing the needs for affordable housing

Feasibility Study Components:

Housing:

- Research into funding streams for the development of affordable housing to include (but not limited too) all recent legislation passed in CA to support housing development (No Place Like Home, SB 2, 3, 35 etc.)
 - HUD and HCD funding and program trends related to affordable housing
 - Compatibility of funding streams and programs
 - AHSC <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/active-funding/ahsc.shtml>
- Research into opportunities to facilitate development of the Housing Element rezone sites:
 - Review current rezone documentation for the 8 identified sites;
 - Research area developers for compatibility for development activities on the sites;
 - Explore opportunities to partner with the Regional Housing Authority;
 - Identify funding opportunities and compatibility for each of the sites;
 - Research Site compatibility with No Place Like Home funding.
 - Comment on effectiveness of alternative housing/shelter methods i.e. organized campgrounds, trailer parks, tiny house village etc.
- Research the impacts of SB 167 on the development of affordable housing in Nevada County
- Basic Analysis of local affordable housing stocks
 - Analysis of local landlord/property owners
- Research into alternative funding streams and collaborative approaches:
 - Feasibility of Regional Partnerships (with other counties)
 - Public and Private Partnerships
 - Affordable Housing/Health focused foundations such as:
 - -Kresge Foundation
 - AHP <http://www.fhlbsf.com/community/grant/ahp.aspx>
 - Dignity Health
 - Whole Person Care

Services:

Based on (but not limited too) county demographics, Point in Time count data, available services and geographic location/accessibility of services, research;

- Current County homeless services and provide comparative analysis of best-practices for services delivery including emergency shelter operations, effective housing services, post-housing case management and rental readiness;
 - Identifying deficiencies and gaps in services;
 - Tenant retention models
- 24/7 day-center/emergency shelter operations: research models, opportunities for collaboration and coordination, streamlined service delivery;
 - Analysis of overall cost impact of homelessness on Nevada County;

- Analysis of impact of increased homeless services (24/7) on the overall community;
- Financial analysis of costs associated with infrastructure and operations for any of the recommended 24/7 homeless service models;
- Best practices for Tracking outcomes

Final product description:

- Specific and detailed recommendations for securing funding for affordable housing and leveraging other available private, state and federal funds;
- Specific and detailed recommendations for development of Housing Element rezone sites including identified potential developer(s), and most compatible funding opportunities;
- Recommendations for policy and/or procedures related to changes in community and jurisdictional review of housing development siting and/or review periods as mandated by SB167
- Recommended ordinances or variances to support affordable housing
- Homeless services report: recommendations for best-practices, models for 24/7 operation and service availability and costs/impacts associated with these recommendations.