



AGENDA

TULARE COUNTY
Task Force on Homelessness
5957 S. Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, California 93277-9394
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MEETING

Date: May 15, 2024

Task Force Convenes at 1:30 PM and expected to adjourn at 3:30 PM

Maps provided on the last page of the agenda

Location: Board of Supervisors Building (Conference Room)
2800 W. Burrel Ave. Visalia, CA 93291

Alternative Location: Tule River Indian Housing Authority, Board Room
342 N. Reservation Road, Porterville, CA 93257

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c. Alternatively, you may participate during the Task Force meeting by commenting on the Facebook Live stream as the item is being heard. Comments should include the sender's name and address for the record. Comments should include the agenda item being referenced. Every effort will be made to read your comment into the record, but some comments may not be read due to time limitations. Comments received after an agenda item will be made part of the record if received before the end of the meeting.

I. Call to Order

II. Round Table Introductions (5-min)

III. Public Comment (3-minute maximum per person)

IV. Discussion & Possible Action Item(s)

- Madson Gardens – Call for Aid
 - Jessica Berzac
- Committee Updates
 - Housing
 - Data
- New Member Nomination
 - Anthony Gracian – Unincorporated Community Member
- New Voting Member Discussion: Grand Jury Recommendation (R3)
 - Veterans Position
- Voucher Presentation
 - Cindy Lopez – Housing Authority
- Review/Discussion: Goal 3, Strategy 3.3 and Goal 4 and Strategies
 - Goal 3: Expand Services for Subpopulations with Special Needs**
 - **Strategy 3.3:** Evaluate, track, and implement training and program modifications to address disparities in system access and service provision for special subpopulations, including for people of color, non-English speakers, and persons identifying as LGBTQ+.
 - Assess and evaluate racial disparities in service access and provision, including in numbers receiving Coordinated Entry System assessment, matched to a housing program, entering housing, and retaining housing.
 - Provide cultural humility and implicit bias training and support for Coordinated Entry and direct service program staff, including outreach, emergency shelter, housing navigation, and housing program staff.
 - Add or modify Point in Time Count and HMIS measures to collect targeted data about special subpopulations, including persons identifying as LGBTQ+.

Goal 4: Prevent Homelessness for Those at Risk

- **Strategy 4.1** – Establish a coordinated homelessness prevention and problem-solving (homelessness diversion) system to help people at high risk of homelessness remain housed.
 - Develop prevention system protocols for identifying, prioritizing, and serving households at risk of homelessness.
 - Identify and align resources for prevention and identify gaps in the availability of crucial resources.
 - Train partners in problem-solving conversation techniques.
 - Establish a monitoring protocol, including a field in HMIS to identify households who fall into homelessness for the first time and to track the impact of interventions.
- **Strategy 4.2** – Strengthen partnerships with criminal justice, child welfare, and healthcare systems to coordinate support for households at high risk of homelessness.
 - Support systems to identify and track people experiencing homelessness, and ensure cross-system partners are familiar with the Every Door Open Coordinated Entry System.
- **Strategy 4.3** – Increase support for formerly homeless households with intensive service needs to attain long-term housing stability.
 - Identify a sustainable funding source to continue the Housing Stabilization Pilot Program, providing intensive services for formerly homeless households with extremely high needs in 2021 and beyond.
 - Expand the availability of Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) teams to support Medi-Cal-eligible households in retaining their housing and achieving long-term stability.
- **Strategy 4.4** – Expand access to income, including employment and benefits, for people experiencing homelessness and recently homeless households.
 - Monitor the impact and consider expansion of the Environmental Cleanup Project (ECO) and

- evaluate other opportunities for supporting households in accessing entry-level jobs.
- Ensure all eligible program participants are enrolled in the public benefits for which they are eligible.

Adjournment (5-min)

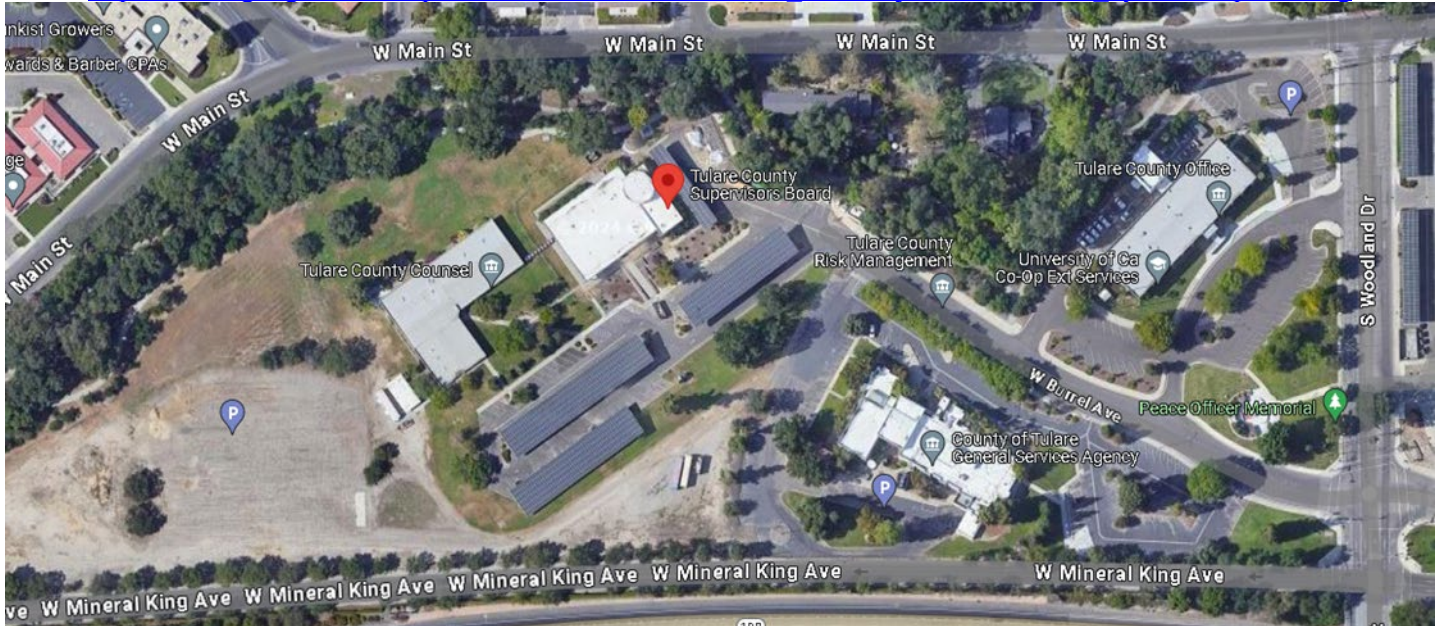
V. Next meeting date: June 19, 2024, 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM, Board of Supervisors Building

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Meeting Locations:

Primary Site
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