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COLD WEATHER SHELTER PROGRAM—ONIZUKA SITE REPORT

October 30, 2015

SITE PREPARATION UPDATE

1. The wall at the location of the new entrance off of Innovation Way was torn down to make way for the new driveway.
2. Staff is working with Juniper to locate the proper path to both run a water line to the shelter and install a new fire hydrant on the sidewalk near the entrance.
3. Staff are potholing on the site to determine the location and activity of a previously unknown sewer line. After this is completed the City is ready to issue the appropriate site work permit.
4. Modular Set-up: The modular is scheduled to be delivered to the site during the first week of November 2015. Installation will start shortly after it arrives.
5. The site development is on target to meet the opening date of the program: November 30, 2015.

CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY THE COMMUNITY & COUNTY'S RESPONSE

After the community meetings on September 10, 2015, the Office of Supportive Housing (OSH) has not received any concerns to which we have had to respond.

DEMOGRAPHICS OF THOSE SERVED AT THE SHELTER

After the program starts, OSH will include in future monthly reports the data associated with the following fields:

Total unduplicated number of people served: _____
Gender: # of Male Adults: _____ # of Female Adults: _____
Families: # of family members: _____ # of children under 18: _____
Ethnicity of all served:
African American/Black: _____ Hispanic: _____
Asian/Pacific Islander: _____ Mixed/Other: _____
Caucasian/White: _____ Native American: _____

SHUTTLE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

With input from all the service providers and the County involved in this program, the staff of HomeFirst has put together a shuttle plan that includes where they will drop off and pick up clients and bring them to the shelter on a daily basis. This plan is designed to be flexible and as the program continues, appropriate changes to it will be made.

REFERRALS: SOURCES & NUMBERS

Understanding that the way that clients will be able to access the Winter Shelter at Onizuka will be by referral, the agencies involved determined with the OSH both the process of referring clients to

the shelter and the number of referrals that each agency would potentially make. So, the number of projected referrals (allowing for turnovers) that the various referral agencies have stated are as follows:

Agency	Projected
Community Service Agency Mtn Vw	10
Downtown Streets Team	40
Gardner Family Health Network: Mtn View	5
HomeFirst	25
InnVision Shelter Network	30
Office of Supportive Housing	25
Our Daily Bread	10
Project WeHOPE	0
Sunnyvale Community Services	20
Valley Health Care for the Homeless	10
West Valley Community Services	5
Total	180

These agencies will begin identifying clients to be referred on November 1, 2015. HomeFirst will coordinate the process of receiving the referrals from these agencies. In subsequent reports to the City, the OSH will report on these referrals.

OTHER ISSUES/CHANGES TO PROGRAM

Inclement Weather Episode planning:

1. The criteria for determining when an inclement weather episode will be declared has been established and approved by the Board of Supervisors.
2. The OSH is in the process of identifying the sites where additional shelter beds and warming centers all over the County will be made available to enable the homeless to come in from the cold during an Inclement Weather Episode.
3. This planning also includes coordinating outreach and distribution of supplies to the homeless.

PERMANENT CWSP NORTH COUNTY SITE SEARCH UPDATE

The OSH will provide a detailed report on this issue after November 15, 2015.