



**San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership**  
**Mountain Regional Steering Committee**  
**Monday, October 18, 2021 • 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**  
**Via Zoom Teleconference**

This meeting will be conducted pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953(e).

**Teleconference info:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525281250?pwd=MmVVWHJhTk5xVEpzQ3JBc2JzNG5Qdz09>  
 Dial-in (669) 900-6833 • Meeting ID 875 2528 1250 • Passcode: 940100

**Please Use Our Digital Sign-in Sheet at:** <https://forms.gle/y9TKfQqbzBDvV4zW7>

**AGENDA**

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER
A. Call to Order (3 minutes)	Wendell Wilson / Richard Arnold
B. Welcome and Introductions (5 minutes)	
CONSENT	PRESENTER
C. Approve the minutes from the September 13, 2021 joint meeting of Mountain Homeless Provider Network and Mountain Regional Steering Committee	Wendell Wilson
PRESENTATION	
D. Cold weather shelters, fire evacuation, disaster preparedness	Erin Fox Disaster Program Mgr American Red Cross
ACTION ITEMS	
E. <b>**none**</b>	
DISCUSSION ITEMS	
F. Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) Update	Mountain Homeless Coalition
G. Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Update	Mountain Homeless Coalition
H. New shared housing opportunity	Mountain Homeless Coalition
I. Formation of a local task force to address homelessness (govt, nonprofit, faith-based, business community, local residents) ?	
J. Member roundtable	Committee members
CLOSING	
K. Public Comment (3 mins) (Please EMAIL to PaulF@MtnHomeless.com, labelled MRSC PUBLIC COMMENT)	
L. Adjournment	
Next Meeting: Mountain Regional Steering Committee will next meet on: Monday, November 1, 2021 - 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm (Dark in December?) <b>Via Zoom Teleconference</b> <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525281250?pwd=MmVVWHJhTk5xVEpzQ3JBc2JzNG5Qdz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525281250?pwd=MmVVWHJhTk5xVEpzQ3JBc2JzNG5Qdz09</a> Dial-in (669) 900-6833 • Meeting ID 875 2528 1250 • Passcode: 940100	

***Mission Statement***

*The Mission of the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership is to provide a system of care that is inclusive, well planned, coordinated and evaluated and is accessible to all who are homeless and those at-risk of becoming homeless. THE SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY HOMELESS PARTNERSHIP MEETING FACILITY IS ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. IF ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES OR OTHER AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES ARE NEEDED IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC MEETING, REQUESTS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES AT LEAST THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE PARTNERSHIP MEETING. THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (909) 386-8297 AND THE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 303 E. VANDERBILT WAY SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415.*

<http://www.sbcounty.gov/sbchp/>

AGENDA AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION CAN BE OBTAINED AT 303 E VANDERBILT WAY, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415 OR BY EMAIL: [HOMELESSRFP@HSS.SBCOUNTY.GOV](mailto:HOMELESSRFP@HSS.SBCOUNTY.GOV) .

**Minutes for San Bernardino County Office of Homeless Services  
Joint meeting of the Mountain Homeless Provider Network (HPN) and  
Mountain Regional Steering Committee (MRSC)**

Date September 13, 2021  
Time: 1:30pm-3:30pm  
Location: Zoom Meeting #: 875 2528 1250

Minutes Recorded and transcribed by: Paul Fournier, Secretary, MHPN and MRSC

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
<p>Call to Order Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>Wendell Wilson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Wendell Wilson.</li> <li>• This meeting was conducted via teleconference pursuant to the provisions of Governor Newsom’s executive order N-29-20 dated march 17, 2020, which suspends certain requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act in response to the COVID-19 emergency.*</li> <li>• Attendees were welcomed and roll call of members was taken</li> </ul> <p>Attendance (QUORUM PRESENT)</p> <p>MRSC Voting Members Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wendell Wilson – Mountain Homeless Coalition</li> <li>▪ Paul Fournier – Mountain Help</li> <li>▪ Sue O’Strander – City of Big Bear Lake</li> <li>▪ Tristin Alfred – DBH HOST team</li> <li>▪ Shonda Szabo – Bear Valley Unified School District</li> <li>▪ Quinton Page – DOVES</li> <li>▪ Aaron Scullin – Rim Family Services</li> <li>▪ Carol Kinzel – Rim Communities Resource Network</li> </ul> <p>MRSC Voting Members Absent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Abby Savich – Mountains Community Hospital</li> <li>▪ Richard Arnold – City Rep</li> </ul>
<p><b>CONSENT ITEMS</b></p>		
<p>Minutes of June 14, July 12 and August 9, 2021 meetings</p>		<p>Wendell Wilson moved to approve the minutes of the June 14, July 12 and August 9, 2021 meetings. Seconded by Aaron Scullin. Approved.</p>
<p><b>PRESENTATION</b></p>		

City of Victorville Homeless Solutions Update

Cassandra Searcy,  
Homeless Solutions Coordinator,  
City of Victorville

**City of Victorville's Homelessness Solutions Update**

**CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: POPULATION SURGE**  
 Victorville's population in 2000 = 64,561 (US Census Tract). Victorville's population in 2019 = 122,312 (90.1% growth) California Department of Finance  
 60,000 Resident Increase

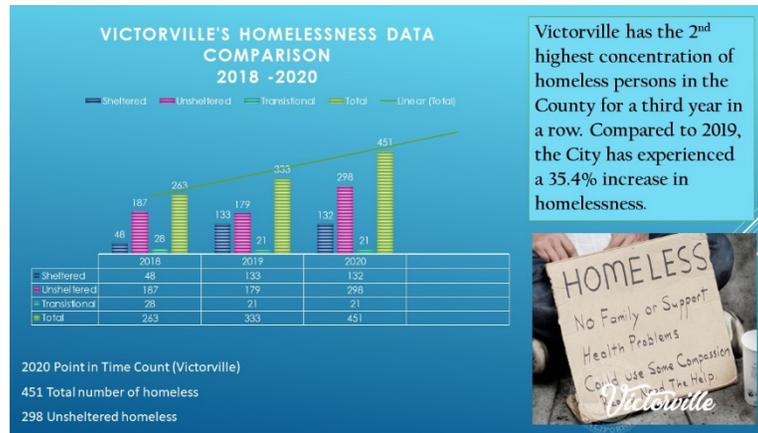
**Housing Cost Burdens**

**Housing Costs Are Unaffordable Throughout California**  
 Percentage of Households With Housing Cost Burden or Severe Housing Cost Burden, 2017

Region	Severely Cost Burdened (30% of household income)	Cost Burdened (Shelter Costs Exceed 30% of household income)
San Francisco Bay Area	19.0%	17.2%
San Francisco Bay Area	22.4%	18.1%
San Francisco Bay Area	21.3%	19.3%
San Francisco Bay Area	23.9%	18.0%
San Francisco Bay Area	20.4%	22.9%
San Francisco Bay Area	25.4%	20.4%

60,000 new residents in 19 year span

Victorville had a 90% increase in population from 2000 to 2018. Even though housing is relatively affordable, income has not tracked.



2<sup>nd</sup> highest concentration of homeless individuals in county. After San Bernardino.  
35% increase

### CITY WIDE IMPACTS

Public Impact:

- Code & Law Enforcement
- Parks
- Library
- Health & Safety

Business Impact:

- Effect on Sales/Patronage
- Structure Fires
- Utility Theft/ Vandalism
- Maintenance Expense

Environmental Impact:

- Storm Drains
- Trash Abatement
- Squatting
- Public Health Hazards
- Clean Up Expenses

High costs to city. Don't want to just "manage" homelessness.

**INITIAL STEPS**

1. February 2019 - City Council directed staff to create a Task Force to address the complexity of homelessness in Victorville.
2. July 2019 – City hired a Homelessness Solutions Coordinator

**Collaborative efforts produced a Strategic Action Plan approved by City Council on November 5, 2019**

**Homelessness Solutions Task Force**  
Community Stakeholder Groups:

1. Emergency or Short-Term Shelter
2. Meal-Providing Service
3. Faith-Based Organization
4. Local School District
5. Local Clinic or Hospital
6. Victims of Domestic Violence
7. Alcohol & Drug Services
8. Real Estate Community
9. Business Community
10. Elderly Community
11. Homeless Community
12. Homeless Youth
13. Veterans



Came up with Homelessness Strategic Action Plan

Strategic Action Plan Priorities



Systematic Response With 8 Measurable Goals

<a href="#"><u>Enhanced Shelter Operations</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Trespassing/Private Property</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Housing First/Affordable Housing</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Vandalism, Theft and Misuse</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Homeless Prevention</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Homeless Encampments</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Outreach and Visibility</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Strategic Partnerships</u></a>



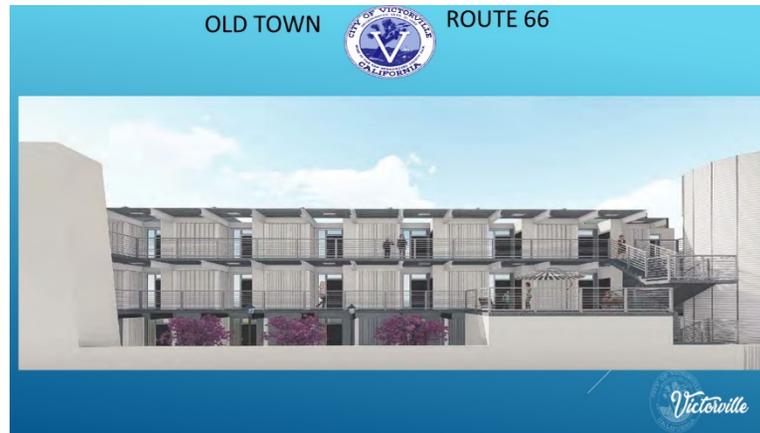
Now, instead of code enforcement or law enforcement, trusted officers go out. Building relationships, trust and credibility.



Desert Haven, formerly Queens Motel. Partnership with HACSB. Supportive housing. 31 units. Studio, 1 and 2 bedrooms.



Working with Shangri-La Development to identify potential projects.



RFP released March 2021 – 36 parcels of city-owned laned. What can you do? Alternate construction? Must have 55 year affordability covenant. Several developers have made it to the final stage of round 1. Seniors, families, TAY, Veterans.



Awarded \$16.8 million. But let it pass due to deadlines. Applying for Homekey round 2.

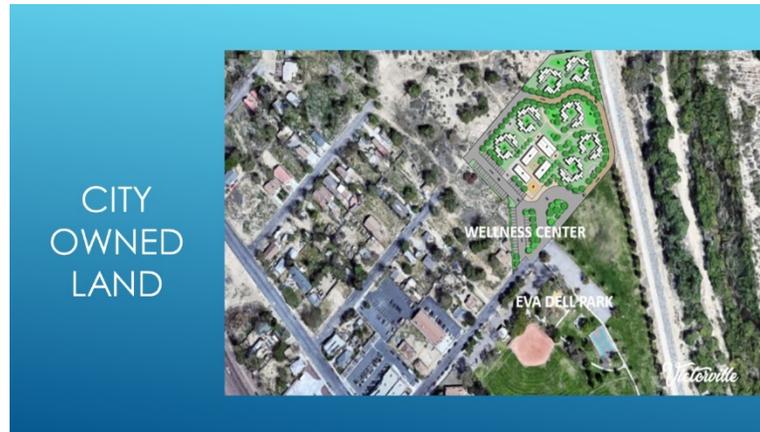
Perimeter will be housing units. Area for families. For single women. For single men. 90-96 beds. Plus 44 beds for recuperative care (hospital discharge). 28 beds assigned for mild-moderate behavior health. Core will be onsite support services: job training, SUD, ID cards, etc., onsite medical clinic. Industrial kitchen and cafeteria – accommodate special dietary needs, provide job training. Low barrier including SUD. Animal kennels



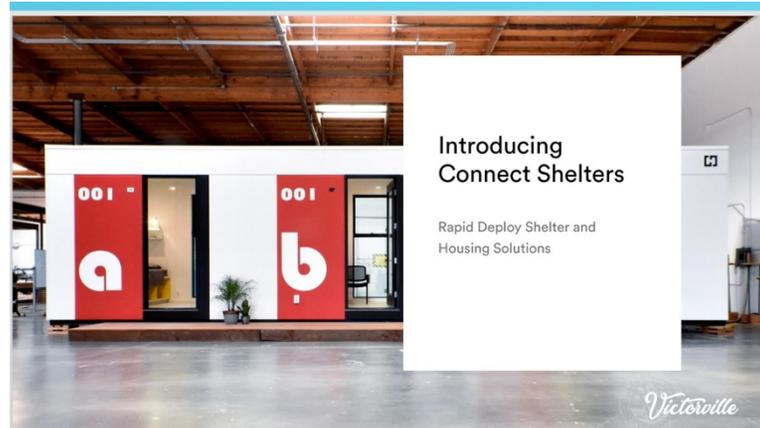
In cooperation with SAC (Loma Linda). FQHC



Not skilled nursing. Must be self-ambulating. Help IEHP and Kaiser work more cooperatively.



4.5 acres, near Mojave River Bed and Eva Dell Park.



320 sq ft prefab. 4 rooms in one unit. Can be expanded to accommodate a family.



CAMPUS & HOUSING UNITS CONSTRUCTED BY  
CONNECT HOMES



Interim Housing Units Will  
Accommodate Individuals,  
Couples & Families

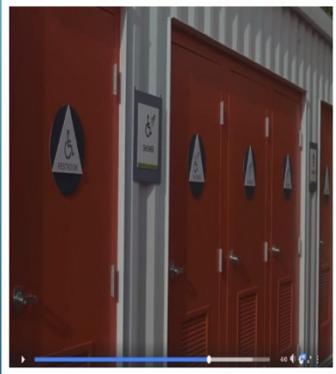


Above is in Mountain View. On 1.5 acres. En Suite bathrooms.



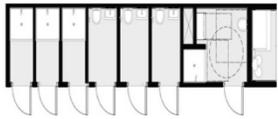
Family Units will have  
Ensuite Restrooms





Bath Modules Can Be Configured Multiple Ways  
Example Below Shows 3 Shower Stalls, 3 Sinks & Toilets  
& an ADA Restroom

Shelter Bath Mod



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### 92-Bed INTERIM SHELTER

COVID Compliant, 24-Hour, Low Barrier Shelter



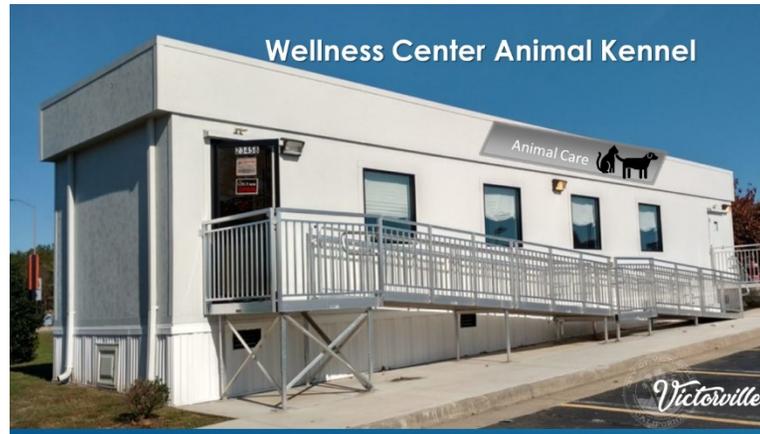
Free Van Drop Off



Case Management Services,  
Connection to Community  
Resources and Housing  
Assistance

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Currently operated by Illumination Foundation. Low barrier. SUD. Couples as defined by you. Working on ability to take pets.



**Wellness Center Updates:**

PROJECT UPDATE

- Construction Drawings
- Full Entitlements
- Political Will
- Shovel Ready
- Homekey Project



Grant from San Manuel. (Similar to above). Going to convert a former restroom. Will have an animal exam area.

Funding sources:

ARPA - \$6MM – American Rescue Plan Act



Open to various types of construction methods. Properties were once owned by the state. City must have something started by August 2022, or would revert to the state.

Another round or 2 of affordable housing on the way.



Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions: Cassandra Searcy  
[csearcy@victorvilleca.gov](mailto:csearcy@victorvilleca.gov)\*

Mountain Joint HPN & Regional Steering Committee Minutes – September 13, 2021

** NONE **		
<b>Announcements / Roundtable</b>		
Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)	Paul Fournier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State IS paying 100% for 51-80% AMI</li> <li>• Will pay tenant even if landlord is not cooperative</li> </ul>
Emergency Housing Vouchers	Paul Fournier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 455 housing vouchers have been made available to the county. In theory there is a prioritization, but the strong sense from meetings is that priority will be in all practicality first-come, first-served. We are trying to get as many mountain residents qualified as possible, and are seeking volunteers to assist. Training Friday, August 13.</li> <li>• MHC will also be contacting landlords and property managers to seek properties that will accept the vouchers.</li> </ul>
City of Big Bear Lake	Sue O'Strander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workforce Housing Fair, October 14, in the afternoon, Knickerbocker Parking Lot near The Village in Big Bear.</li> </ul>
DOVES	Quinton Page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trying to lock down more housing – 3mos to 2 years. Working with a couple of landlords.</li> <li>• October – DV awareness Month – Thurs Oct 21 – Denim day.</li> <li>• Planning annual fundraiser. “Starry, Starry Night” - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/DOVES4HELP/photos/a.132128130330874/1728536674023337/">https://www.facebook.com/DOVES4HELP/photos/a.132128130330874/1728536674023337/</a></li> </ul>
BVUSD	Shonda Szabo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trying to ID McKinney Vento families.- Currently 110 identified.</li> </ul>
<b>Public comment</b>		
**NONE**		
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<b>Adjournment</b>	Wendell Wilson	Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.
<b>Next Meeting:</b>		<p>The next <b>joint meeting</b> of the Mountain Homeless Provider Network (HPN) and Mountain Regional Steering Committee (MRSC)</p> <p>will next meet on <b>Monday, <del>October 4</del> October 18, 2021 from 1:30 to 3:00pm,</b>  Via Zoom Teleconference  <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525281250?pwd=MmVvWHJhTk5xVEpzQ3JBc2JzNG5Qdz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525281250?pwd=MmVvWHJhTk5xVEpzQ3JBc2JzNG5Qdz09</a>  Dial-in (669) 900-6833 • Meeting ID: 875 2528 1250 • Passcode: 940100</p>

**Attendees:**

First Name	Last Name	Organization	Email Address	Best Phone
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Khalis	Holloway	Salvaged Lives Resources		
Marvin	Johns	Salvaged Lives Resources	slresources6@yahoo.com	(602) 451-5070
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Desiree	Lelless	SB County InnROADs	Desiree.Lelless@dbh.sbcounty.gov	909-677-3619
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Quinton	Page	DOVES of Big Bear Valley, Inc.	qpage@doves4help.org	(909) 866-1546
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