

**Yolo County Mental & Behavioral Health Board**  
**Director's Report**  
**September 24, 2018**

**Pine Tree Gardens Update** – On September 19<sup>th</sup>, County staff met with staff from Turning Point Community Programs, and Yolo Housing Authority to strategize about Pine Tree Gardens. The County and TPCP are committed to supporting the current residents of Pine Tree while finding a sustainable model that maintains the residential designation of the homes.

**Pacifico Update- Navigation and Adult Residential Facility** – HHSA, Yolo County Housing, CommuniCare Health Centers and North Valley Behavioral Health held two project input discussions during the last week of August. The first gathering was specific to current residents of Pacifico, and the second was an open invitation to residents living in south Davis near the Pacifico location. Supervisors Provenza and Saylor attended the community-wide meeting. The meetings included brief presentations, question and answer periods, and an overview of next steps. Plans for both projects, along with overview from the input discussions, will move forward to the Davis Planning Commission for next steps.

**Crisis Staffing Update**-A new Access & Crisis Services Manager, Mila Green, has been hired! We are excited about the skills and experience Mila brings to HHSA's crisis services expansion. Mila comes to HHSA with significant behavioral health experience, both local and statewide, as well as a passion for providing quality services to the Medi-Cal and indigent populations seeking mental health care. Central to Mila's role will be coordinating HHSA's crisis response services, including crisis staff in the Bauer Mental Health clinic; a community-based crisis response team for requests from hospitals, law enforcement and community; and the 24/7 Access & Crisis Line contracted services with Heritage Oaks. In addition, HHSA has interviews scheduled for a Crisis Services Supervisor, who will base out of the West Sacramento Urgent Care, and play a central role in coordinating the teams in Mila's purview.

**Children's Access and Crisis Response** – Beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>, Yolo County will have an Access and Crisis Clinician specifically for Children and Youth 0-21 who are in crisis or at risk of being in crisis. ([see attached flyer](#))

**Homeless staffing update** – Over the past four years, since assuming the Homeless Coordination role for the County, HHSA has increased staffing countywide by dozens of positions and has increased County positions from none to 8.5. Currently, HHSA has 2 open recruitments for 3 positions currently for the homeless services system of care. 1 full time clinician, 1 full time case manager, and 1 extra help case manager specifically serving the TAY population. In addition, an offer has been made to a senior analyst to join the team. Once all positions are on board the team will consist of a program manager, a program coordinator, a senior administrative service analyst, an associate administrative services analyst, a clinician and 2 case managers. Attached is an organizational chart for this growing team. ([see attached homeless services org chart](#))

**Homeless Funding Update** – Over the past four years, since assuming the Homeless Coordination role for the County, HHSA has grown the local funding from \$2million annually to over \$6million annually. This year, more than ever before, we have seen many funding opportunities coming out for housing. HHSA has been working closely with HPAC and the Cities around several funding opportunities for homeless services and housing. ([see attached funding overviews](#))

**Hospital Intercept Mapping** – HHSA, in conjunction with the CAO's office, is providing technical assistance to our local hospital partners, Woodland Memorial and Sutter Davis, to complete an intercept mapping project which will identify service gaps/needs as they relate to homeless clients being served by either hospital. Ian Evans from HHSA and Carolyn Jhaji from the CAO's office, who previously conducted a similar process for the criminal justice continuum of care, are facilitating this process in the hopes that there can be improved outcomes for our homeless clients who make contact with the hospital system for physical, mental, or substance use service needs.

**Medical Respite** – County staff have been meeting with our local hospital partners to develop a concept for a medical respite program locally. We have been speaking with other medical respite programs, pulling local data, and are planning to visit some of the regional respite programs over the next few months to determine what a local version may look like.