

A modern office interior with a lounge area featuring a curved sofa and a meeting area with a round table and chairs. In the background, there are long wooden tables with white partitions and office chairs. The ceiling has recessed lighting. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter and a white rectangular border.

HOMELESS MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM (MDT)

TULARE COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY (HHSA)



BACKGROUND

- Through the Tulare County Wide Task Force on Homelessness, Tulare County Healthy and Human Services Agency (HHSA) recognized the complexity of homelessness in our community.
- As a result, early this year, Tulare County HHSA formed the Homeless Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) to gather resources from across all branches to best utilize, coordinate and deliver services to the homeless population.
- In addition, Tulare County HHSA is partnering with numerous governmental agencies, community organizations and individuals who are dedicated to making a difference with homeless individuals.
- The team will be co-located with Tulare County Probation by the end of this year.

MEET THE TEAM

- Noah Whitaker, Homeless Initiatives Program Coordinator
- Barbara Osborn, Administrative Specialist
- Christina Jones, Administrative Specialist (On loan)
- Sharon Lopez, Unit Manager
- Corey Jones, Alcohol and Drug Specialist II (AOD)
- Richard Perez, Alcohol and Drug Specialist II (AOD)
- Theresa Broadnax, Social Services Worker II (Aging and Adult Services)
- Jaime Arias, Self Sufficiency Counselor II (TulareWORKs)
- Patricia Cortez, Health Education Assistant (Public Health)
- Recruiting for: Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Administrative Specialist and an Office Assistant

A background image showing several hands of different skin tones resting on a large architectural blueprint spread out on a wooden table. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent dark blue filter. A white rectangular border frames the central text.

PROJECT ROOMKEY/HOMEKEY HOUSING SITES

SEQUOIA VILLAGE AND TAGUS GARDENS



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- Project RoomKey aims to both provide a place for COVID + individuals to quarantine as well as a program that provides temporary non-congregate shelter for homeless individuals who are at an increased risk for negative outcomes from COVID-19 due to their underlying medical conditions.
 - To date, this project has placed hundreds of vulnerable homeless individuals within Tulare County into motel rooms throughout the pandemic.
 - Project HomeKey furthers these efforts by renovating old motels into permanent supportive housing.

SEQUOIA VILLAGE

- Location: Visalia, CA
- Site Management: RH Community Builders
- Total Rooms: 50
- 41 rooms occupied
- Renovation has begun to convert rooms into permanent supportive housing



TAGUS GARDENS

- Location: Tulare, CA
- Site Management: Turning Point
- Total Rooms: 56
- 9 rooms occupied
- Renovation has begun to convert rooms into permanent supportive housing
- Currently accepting COVID + individuals for their quarantine period



A modern office interior with a lounge area featuring a curved sofa and ottoman, a round wooden table with chairs, and a long wooden desk with office chairs. The space is well-lit with recessed ceiling lights and has a glass-walled meeting room in the background. The text "COMMUNITY PARTNERS" is overlaid in the center.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

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The Porterville Welcome Center

Kings Tulare Homeless Alliance

Kaweah Street Medicine

Adventist Health

Salt+Light Works

Cherry Pharmacy

Kings View PATH Program

Lighthouse Rescue Mission

TC Hope

Self Help Enterprises

Cities of: Visalia, Tulare and Porterville

Sierra View Hospital

Family HealthCare Network

RH Community Builders

UPholdings

Housing Authority of Tulare County

Visalia Police Department-Hope Team

Momentum Broadcasting

TCSO HEART

FoodLink

St. Anne's Pantry

The Bethlehem Center

United Way

The Lamp Liter Inn

Visalia Rescue Mission

Family Services of Tulare County