

June 23, 2026

RE: Letter of Support for Tehama County Continuum of Care Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) Application (Tehama/Los Molinos/Gerber Area; ERF Project Identifier: Hwy 99E & San Benito Ave)

To Whom It May Concern:

The County of Tehama is pleased to provide this letter in support of the Tehama County Continuum of Care's (Tehama CoC) application for Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) through the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

The County supports Tehama CoC's application to obtain Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) from the State of California Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) and is committed to partnering with Tehama CoC to reduce unsheltered homelessness and preserve public spaces through resolving the prioritized encampments. The proposed project will strengthen cross-system collaboration and service coordination to mitigate risk and address safety concerns while ensuring pathways for individuals living in encampments to move into safe and stable housing.

The County of Tehama is committed to collaborating closely with Tehama CoC and partner agencies throughout implementation of the proposed ERF project. The County's roles and responsibilities related to encampment resolution efforts include outreach, public health and behavioral health services, crisis response, benefits access, public safety coordination, and site restoration activities.

- Tehama County Health Services Agency (TCHSA) provides a range of services that support individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness. In addition to offering traditional medical, behavioral health and substance use recovery services, TCHSA operates a Mobile Outreach program on-site at locations frequented by unsheltered residents, which offers basic health screenings and wellness monitoring and facilitates connections to medical care, behavioral health services, and substance use recovery services, coordinates the behavioral health Mobile Crisis Team, and provides ongoing supportive services for tenants residing in permanent supportive housing.
- The Tehama County Sheriff's Office assists in identifying encampments and coordinating public safety and site access activities associated with encampment response efforts in collaboration with community partners.

- Tehama County Probation and Environmental Health support post-resolution cleanup and restoration activities at public sites following encampment resolution efforts.

The County of Tehama commits to coordinating with Tehama CoC and its collaborative partners regarding any potential encampment abatement activities occurring within prioritized encampment zones to help ensure coordinated outreach, communication, service engagement, and appropriate transition planning for affected individuals.

Additionally, as a member of the Tehama County Encampment Policy Group currently engaged in the collaborative development of a Regional Encampment Response Policy for the County, Cities, and Continuum of Care in Tehama County that fully complies with the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH) Guidance on Addressing Encampments, the County commits to adopting the Regional Encampment Response Policy within three months of any award made as a result of Tehama CoC's ERF application.

The County of Tehama appreciates the opportunity to partner with Tehama CoC in addressing homelessness through collaborative, humane, and housing-focused solutions and strongly supports this application for funding.

Should you have other questions regarding this matter, please reach out to me at 530-

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Sincerely,