



## Meeting Summary

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, August 6, 2025, 5:30-7:30p

**Location:** Truckee Town Hall Council Chambers

**Participants:** *Coalition Members and Community*

*Number of participants: Estimate 50*

**Facilitator/Note Taker:**

Coalition Coordination Team, [Agnew::Beck Consulting](#)

### Meeting Purpose

1. Restart the work of the Coalition—Tahoe Truckee Homeless Action Coalition
  - a. Share general updates on the Coalition (governance, structure, brand, priorities, etc.)
2. Housing Action Plan Implementation Updates
  - a. Expanded Conversation around Goal 1: *Crisis Stabilization Services*
3. Community Conversation and Input
  - a. Feedback on proposed options for winter solutions and other relevant topics

### Meeting Agenda

| Time  | Agenda Item                                     |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 5:30p | <b>Welcome and Overview</b>                     |
| 5:35p | <b>About TTHAC and the Homeless Action Plan</b> |
| 5:45p | <b>TTHAC Business</b>                           |
| 5:55p | <b>Action Plan Implementation Updates</b>       |
| 6:30p | <b>Community Conversation + Input Session</b>   |
| 7:30p | <b>Adjourn</b>                                  |

## Meeting Key Take Aways

| Agenda Topic                                    | Summary Discussion Comments                                                                                                                                        | Key Actions/Take Aways/Next Steps                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <b>Welcome and Overview</b>                     | Poll Question – What do you hope to learn tonight? <i>See results in section below.</i>                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>About TTHAC and the Homeless Action Plan</b> | Overview of the Action Plan (goals, framework, etc.)                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Several agencies and non-profits have adopted or approved the plan since it came out in January 2025.</li> <li>- Focusing now on ACTION, less on planning, more on COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>TTHAC Business</b>                           | Overview of where we are in the planning process, next steps, etc.                                                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New TTHAC website launching this month</li> <li>- Updated TTHAC name—Tahoe Truckee Homeless Action Coalition</li> <li>- Updated Coalition Charter planned review at next meeting</li> <li>- Update on org structure</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Action Plan Implementation Updates</b>       | Updates on actions in 3 of the 4 focus areas of the action plan. Expanded conversation around Focus Area 1: Crisis Response, specifically Goal 1—Navigation Center | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Information shared on feasible options for expanding services this winter</li> <li>- 4 options for winter services shared:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Do nothing-status quo</li> <li>2) Emergency Shelter</li> <li>3) Navigation Center (day services, bed)</li> <li>4) Scaled Down Navigation Center Pilot/Interim Beds</li> </ol> </li> </ul> |
| <b>Community Conversation + Input Session</b>   | Attendees were seated at small table groups (9) and given a set of questions to discuss: What does success look                                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community Conversation captured feedback on the above-mentioned options. Polling took place to understand initial opinions at the meeting on the four options.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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|  | <p>like? What additional factors should be considered? Additional comments / questions?</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Key Takeaways</b> (Based on <i>all</i> meeting feedback) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Momentum Shift to Action</i>: The Coalition is moving from planning into implementation, with strong emphasis on community engagement and launching tangible services this winter.</li> <li>○ <i>Navigation Center Pilot Favored</i>: Among four winter service options discussed, participants expressed most support for a 1-year pilot Navigation Center with interim beds as a practical, scalable first step.</li> <li>○ <i>Community Input Highlighted Needs</i>: Success was defined as services that provide dignity, safety, case management, and flexibility—tailored to varied needs rather than a one-size-fits-all model.</li> <li>○ <i>Challenges Identified</i>: Sustainable funding, staffing, and siting remain the biggest barriers; participants stressed urgency to secure at least a temporary solution for winter 2025/26.</li> <li>○ <i>Shared Commitment</i>: There was consensus that even a scaled-down pilot is better than doing nothing, and that collaboration among the Town, County, Hospital District, and community partners is critical to success.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- An expanded summary of the polling results and key takeaways are listed below.</li> </ul> |
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## What do you hope to learn tonight? – Poll Results

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### What do you hope to learn tonight?

Tangible solutions

Status of action. Next steps.

Viable plan to help our homeless population

Where we are with some kind of navigation center and emergency shelter.

How much support the town and other community partners are actually willing to give to establish a navigation center

Want to hear about options and how the community can help.

What can town of Truckee residents do to assist the coalition and enable progress toward the Action Plan?

How we are moving forward to support unhoused in Truckee / North Tahoe ACTION!!



What the community wants Nevada County, Town, and our citizens to do to respond to our homeless needs

I hope to learn about navigation centers

Where would someone sleep if they can't afford the incredibly expensive truckee

Warming shelter plan of action What investment is town of Truckee making?

Status of creation of the navigation center

How I can stay involved and in touch so I can support with a navigation center project.

What the community concerns are in supporting housing solutions for those who are unhoused.

What can faith communities do to advocate for community-based solutions to the lack of housing and need for emergency services?

Is it possible to get emergency weather shelter open this winter?

I hope to learn about the program to support the homeless and ways I can help.

## Summary Of Questions/Comments

### Navigation Center

- What is the Navigation Center? What is the update on the new navigation center?
- How can I support the Navigation Center? How can the Faith community support?
- Is counseling and support included in this model?
- Crucial components of a Navigation Center: location, tailored to current and long-term needs
- Why only 4-6 people? -> Size and funding. Today, 10-13 people access daily services each day. We are a wealthy enough community; we should be acting.



- Staying focused on Option 4 (a pilot navigation center) will allow us to make progress on a project. Not having clarity and focus on what we are working for creates obstacles in completing this task.
- A Pilot is better than nothing
- Based on pilot models, are there viable location options? -> Need community input to determine acceptable site.
- Fourth option – 1,500 sq. foot, 4-6 people overnight capacity more could access day services. 55 people accessed shelter in 2023 – 15 beds.

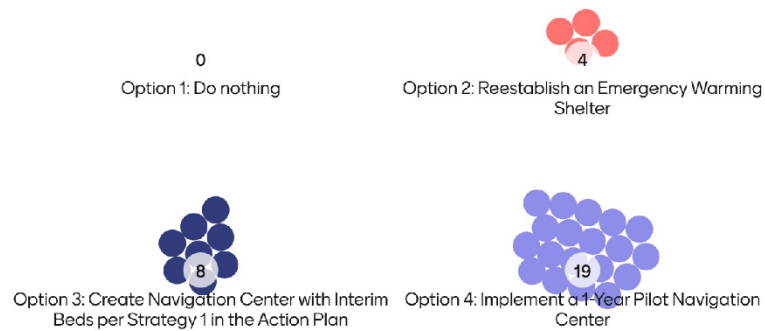
### **Short-Term Solution for This Winter**

- What are we going to do this winter to provide for our homeless?
- Can we use current space this winter – Joseph Center? Conference room? We don't have an operator for this model. Of the operators that have been engaged in these discussions their feedback was this model is not sustainable to operate.
- Can we start “lighter” – showers, mailing address, phone bank, lockers, trailer with a heater, until we have funds to build a facility?
- TFHD fund modularity? -> Would need to fit within vision, mission and a discussion. Challenges with sanitation, power, permitting during past TTHAC exploration of this type of model
- Truckee needs a 2025/26 winter solution

### **General Comments**

- When are we going to hear about the Action?
- What is the next critical decision?
- [Unhoused] people are being encouraged to go to Grass Valley/Reno. It is discouraging to access services. Some unhoused people are “working the system”
- How do we support people who need immediate services and those that need pathways to housing?
- Storytelling: important to all the community vs. just this room
- Tailored: not one size or service model fits all needs. Services must be adaptable to meet people where they are and build trust and engagement with services.
- Services must be accessible to county support services in East County
- Where does the funding come from given there is not dedicated funding stream for sheltering services?
- Feedback on possible Locations: Library, Coldstream neighborhood, churches

Which of these four options do you support moving forward?



## Summary of Feedback from Table Discussions

### *Table Discussion Process*

- Nine tables, range of 4-9 people per table
- 45 min discussion
- 1 facilitator, 1 recorder at each table
- Questions:
  1. What does success look like (for moving a Navigation Center or other winter solution forward this season)?
  2. What additional factors should be considered (as planning moves forward)



### 3. Other comments or questions

#### Table Discussion Summary Notes

##### **Group 1 Notes from Discussion:**

###### **What does success look like?**

- A place where people have access to their own space and can work with a case manager
- A program which is comprehensive and addresses many needs
- Functional zero (we end homelessness)
- A tailored approach that can support the variety of needs of our unhoused
- A system which doesn't let people down / doesn't discourage the unhoused from trying
- Flexible shelter options to enable proof of concept, can we explore modular units on TTAD lots as a pilot

###### **What additional factors should be considered?**

- Transportation / proximity to services
- Temporary shelter (modular / pallet shelter) on lot at Joseph Center as a pilot to evaluate success (2-3 years).
- Funding for interim housing
- This is an investment in our community
- Prevention is key

###### **Additional comments / questions?**

- Sustainable funding is key to all of this
- How can TFHD and airport district support more?
- A pilot program will help our community become more comfortable with this service model.
- This is a complex problem with a complex solution

##### **Group 2 Notes from Discussion**

###### **What does success look like?**

- Unhoused, access services and interim bed and go forward – make possible
- Trackable outcomes – fewer interactions with hospital and police



- Bolster community support through a pilot
- What this could be with dignity and design – pilot to see success! To be part of solutions, proof of concept.

#### **Additional comments / questions?**

- Staffing issue – 2 people minimum, 1 professional
- Pilot program – one year by winter better than nothing
  - Maybe more people need jobs
  - How many people don't want help?
  - Location brainstorm:
- Location ideas:
  - Empty church, library, empty lots at Coldstream, Park and Rec Community Center (downtown), Vets Hall,
  - Gateway neighborhood coordination will be needed if this location is considered

#### **Group 3 Notes from Discussion**

##### **What does success look like?**

- Minimum winter solution vs. long-term solution
  - 15 cots
  - Safe access
  - Food, lockers, restrooms, tracks outcomes
  - Keep people out of the elements
  - Staff
  - Central location to core services

##### **What additional factors should be considered?**

- Substance dependency on sober living considerations
- Duration – length of stay / weather dependent
- More options for winter / flexible

##### **Additional comments or questions**

- Year-round solution should be goal -> realize this won't happen for this winter



- Prioritize this winter solution
- Pilot year-round
- Navigation Center
- County space works well

#### **Group 4 Notes from Discussion**

##### **What does success look like?**

- Case management services, more staff in behavioral health, and more wraparound services
- Timely services for support, consistency of services
- Dignity
- Navigation Center
- Mental health services and access to care (low cost)
- Town buy-in / support
- County services are located down the hill and not in the region
- Funding

##### **What additional factors should be considered?**

- Substance use services needed (locally)
- Increased hospital needs in winter vs. summer
- Transportation
- Utilizing TART
- Regionality
- Land use issues

##### **Other comments, questions?**

- Explore converted cargo facility
- Interim facility
- Portable units at different locations
- Lack of other jurisdictional infrastructure
- What happened with Home Key + grant (for the 1 unidentified location in Truckee)?



- How much money is available right now?
- Open restroom facilities at railyard for over night use (or put in porta-potties and dumpster)
- Location: Old Sierra Sun building behind Taco Bell

#### **Group 5 Notes from Discussion**

- Possible locations
  - State Park with mobile homes
  - Joseph Center
  - Library
  - Gateway Church
  - Private land
  - Transit Center by TAL (no neighbors)
  - Park on West River St

#### **What does success look like?**

- Funding, staffing, location
- Smallest scale – services without physical location, however, there is no property and land
- Need minimal services -> e.g. bank of lockers (program in San Diego)
- Community engagement like this

#### **What additional factors should be considered?**

- Focus first on the outcome—what is the outcome we want to achieve? Build to this.
- Economies of scale—an issue here, we are small, hard to compete for funding with other urban areas
- Starting with solutions, rather than problem + outcome
- PSH (permanent supportive housing) has better outcomes with health and funding
- Trailers and mobile homes should be considered (who will monitor this)
- Temporary winter solutions
- Focus on window of opportunity -> close connection to services
- Getting stuck in planning/surveys than action and trying things
- Ensure we're building trust



### **Additional comments? Questions?**

- Location is the sticking point of progress – even without a perfect location
- How to lean into churches
- Cost per bed night -> why does this not shift?
- Exploring non-congregate shelters (e.g. motels, hotels) -> open motels at night
- Is Navigation Center the best solution for this economy of scale?
- How does this interact with STRs, AirBnbs?
- Homeless experiences is not a monolith – everyone has their own needs – tailored solutions

### **Funding options and ideas to explore:**

- TFHD, unique funding model
- Staffing ideas
  - hybrid with volunteers, small stipends or other incentives
  - Folks with lived experience
  - Staffing with County employees are expensive
  - AMI Housing
  - The Gathering inn -> Placer County partners
- What is our care coordination team? Creating coalition
  - No dedicated County homelessness fund
- Town Council gave direction re: Navigation Center based on community feedback
  - Navigation Center was a response to scattered site housing and lack of supportive services. Scattered sites had safety concerns
  - Warming shelter
- Navigation Center is more expensive than scattered site

### **Group 6 Notes from Discussion Questions**

#### **What does success look like?**

- Have core nonprofit with sustainable funding
- Identifying a location for any type of services



- Staying focused on option 4

**What additional factors should be considered?**

- Understanding Town's long-term commitment
- Core nonprofit to run / support
- Exploring broader regional partners (e.g. AMI)

**Additional comments? Questions?**

- Please provide information on how many people (total) we are trying to serve
- What existing buildings can we repurpose / identify?
- How much funding has been committed by public agencies?

**Coalition Participation Attendance: August 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

|    | Coalition Member                            | Attendance |
|----|---------------------------------------------|------------|
| 1  | AMI Housing/Truckee Tahoe Homeless Services | X          |
| 2  | COAD/United for Action                      | X          |
| 3  | Nevada County                               | X          |
| 4  | Placer County                               | X          |
| 5  | Sierra Community House                      | X          |
| 6  | Tahoe Forest Hospital District              | X          |
| 7  | Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation          | X          |
| 8  | Town of Truckee                             | X          |
| 9  | Truckee Chamber                             | X          |
| 10 | United for Action                           | X          |