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Resilient Cloverdale COAD Meeting Notes - 1/5/2020

Police Chief Update: Chief Ferguson summarized the Area Operation Call with the Sonoma County Department of Emergency Management. Chief Ferguson noted that a high surf advisory is in effect, if you're planning a coast trip, take extra caution. A weak rain event is expected Friday, and not much additional rain is expected over the next 10-days. Chief Ferguson also reported that an evacuation zone map for the City of Cloverdale is in draft form being circulated for review and comment. Once the review is completed the maps will be made public. Evacuation zones will be rolled out to the entire community.

COVID-19 Update: Below is a summary of Police COVID-19 activity since the COVID-19 pandemic has begun March 1-December 31:

- Calls for Service (228)
- Civil Enforcement "HOT LINE" (27)
- General Calls/Dispatched as COVID-19 (30)

COVID-19 Tier 1a vaccinations are expected to start next week. Additional information regarding future tiers of vaccinations is available at the [SoCo Emergency website](#). No Covid testing occurred on the plaza last Thursday and has been moved to the Alexander Valley Wellness Center

Introduction of new members / Guests:

- Jennifer O'Donnell of the United Way Wine Country gave a brief update. United Way is focused on assisting individuals with financial stability, including the 211 program. United Way is also active in COAD disaster preparedness in Napa, Sonoma Lake Del Norte, Humboldt counties.
- Colleen Halbohm from the Wallace House reported that the Cherry Creek affordable housing project will be breaking ground in April of 2021, with expected occupancy in August of 2022. The Wallace House is a place that helps former homeless or at risk of homelessness, also those leaving rehab and families.
- Jennifer Shea of San Francisco State University reported that she is working with Daniel Homsey for **possible student involvement in the Resilient Cloverdale efforts.**

The Northern Sonoma County CERT/COPE Update: Geoffrey Peters reported that the CERT is currently activated to conduct wellness checks. There are currently between 6-8 controlled burns occurring in Sonoma County. CERT is working with Supervisor Gore to obtain PG&E settlement funding to increase the scope of controlled burns and for the establishment of fire break road. The scope of the proposed road is from Cloverdale to Fitch Mountain. A draft emergency plan for Citrus Fair is currently under review by Katie Young CEO. Once her review is complete, the plan will be circulated to Resilient Cloverdale for comments. CERT is also seeking funding for two high-tech firefighting tools. The first initiative is the placement a high-resolution camera capable of seeing 12 miles at a 360-degree view. The



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second initiative is a FEMA grant aiming to fund the use of drones to monitor for fire during red flag warnings. The drones, capable of detecting smoke, would fly in a pattern over high-risk fire zones enabling a quicker response to flare ups.

Food Distribution Update: KTVU News mentioned Cloverdale's food distribution efforts in a story that aired on December 4th. A volunteer from the Redwood Empire Food Bank was interviewed about food insecurity. Considering changing COVID-19 testing locations, Melanie Hall from the Senior Center created a flyer in both Spanish and English designed to direct people to covid-19 testing. Melanie acknowledged the volunteers Redwood Food Bank and all their efforts in bringing food to Cloverdale. An increase in family meals to farm workers has occurred with an increase of 25 meals. Melanie Hall is working with St Joseph's Health to bring a mobile health unit to the Senior Center for wellness checkups, and possible vaccinations. People needing use of the mobile health unit will not be required to pay if they are unable to do so.

LatinX Update: Ezequiel Guzman provided an update on the continued work of feeding people in Cloverdale. Recently, while delivering hot meals, to 127 Railroad Ave, he found two people living alone in a trailer without heat. Zeke and Melanie agreed to investigate ways to help. It was suggested they contact ACE Hardware for the possible donation of a space heater. Zeke also indicated there is fear in the Latinx community about the vaccine. To mitigate this fear, Zeke and volunteers are planning to call 25-30 families per day with the goal of educating people about vaccine. Zeke indicated many Latinx farmworkers are currently underemployed and are looking for small jobs at people homes. The need for a rapid food response continues in Cloverdale. Zeke emphasized the need for a food hot line that could respond quickly to the food needs of Covid positive residents.

Resource Center Update: David Kelley, City Manager gave an update on the potential resource center at the Grange Hall. The idea is to establish a place where people can go for food assistance, mental health issues, rental and housing assistance. At this point, the idea is conceptual, with a subgroup of the Resilient Cloverdale meeting to strategize. The St. Vincent De Paul Tuesday morning model is an example of how the resource center could work.

Additional Comments and Updates:

- Darlene Peck indicated she called Sonoma county regarding the elimination of Covid testing at the Plaza. Alexander Valley Health did conduct a pop up testing this week. There is an effort to bring testing back to the Plaza.
- Amanda Farrar, of Cloverdale Health Action indicated she met with Sonoma County COAD to discuss the inclusion of mental health support during COVID and other disasters.
- Al Meyers Senior Center Board of Directors. Requested an update on the Food Task Force. He is looking for potential members and or volunteers.
- Daniel Homsey commented on the potential Food Task Force by inquiring how long financing was available to provide food. It was indicated financing was available until the end of March. He suggested the task force reverse engineer from using that date as an agenda.