



Proclamation

of the City Council

HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH

November 2021

WHEREAS, homelessness is a challenge that has existed in Yuba City, across the state, and throughout the nation for many decades, impacting the lives of individuals and families, many of whom come from our own neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Yuba City partners with numerous public and private agencies to develop solutions to homelessness that truly address the underlying situations for each individual who finds himself or herself homeless; and

WHEREAS, since 2016, Yuba City and its partners have been rapidly implementing shelter and housing programs that are designed with best practices to resolve homelessness; and

WHEREAS, programs such as the Yuba City Police Department's Homeless Liaison Officer, Better Way, Hands of Hope, Habitat for Humanity and the Coordinated Entry System have been achieving success as collaborative resources added within the last five years, increasing shelter beds and housing stock; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that many of those living on the streets are people from our own communities who fell onto hard times or endured other difficult situations that carried them into homelessness, and that it often takes the strength of the whole community to help them regain hope and independence; and

WHEREAS, it is important to educate the public about the many reasons people are homeless, including the shortage of available housing for very low income residents, and to encourage support for homeless assistance service providers as well as community service opportunities through mentoring and relationship building; and

WHEREAS, the people of Yuba City recognize that homelessness continues to be a serious problem for hundreds of individuals and families in the region, and that we as a community cannot stand idly by, as long as this struggle continues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Marc Boomgaarden, Mayor of the City of Yuba City and on behalf of the entire City Council, hereby joins in recognition of Homelessness Awareness Month, and encourages all citizens to be aware that many people do not have housing and need support from residents, as well as private and public service entities.

Done on this 16th day of November, 2021 in the City of Yuba City, County of Sutter, State of California.