

Resolution No.

STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

A RESOLUTION OF THE STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL TO ESTABLISH THE PROPOSED CARE (COMPASSION, ACCESS, REUNIFICATION, EMPOWERMENT) HOMELESSNESS PILOT PROGRAM

Stockton has experienced a marked increase in homelessness, with growing encampments impacting public safety, environmental conditions, and quality of life. A considerable amount of state, federal, and City resources have been expended to reduce homelessness in the City. Efforts to date have included partnerships with service providers, emergency shelter expansion and law enforcement support. However, an integrated and enforceable Citywide strategy has been lacking; and

In November 2024, the City declared a State of Emergency through approval of Resolution 2024-11-19-1501, enabling more flexibility in procurement of services related to clean-up, enforcement, and unsheltered wraparound services, in mobilizing local resources and coordinating interagency response; and

Although the City has worked diligently to support housing projects and non-profits that are providing much needed wraparound services, no one solution is foolproof in reducing homelessness in the City of Stockton. Therefore, a new, additional approach is being proposed; and

Inner City Action (ICA), a non-profit founded by Frank and Kim Saldana in 1996, has played a significant role in addressing homelessness in Lodi and Manteca, CA, as well as cities across the country. ICA's unique approach combines immediate relief in terms of temporary and transitional housing with long-term wraparound supports, including services like showers, haircuts, clothing, and meals; and

The CARE (Compassion, Access, Reunification, Empowerment) Program will utilize ICA to provide centralized intake and transitional housing by offering safe shelter options, showers, clothing and meals. ICA will be the hub of activity and will provide guidance to the City regarding appropriate methods of transition for each client. Key phases of implementation include outreach, intake, transitional housing, enforcement and site clean-up; and

The first phase of the CARE Pilot Program will focus on the area between Trinity Parkway and White Slough, on State of California land, controlled by the State Lands Commission. Coordination has already begun with the State via an MOU between the City of Stockton and California State Lands Commission, executed on August 23, 2023; and

Key phases of implementation will include outreach, intake, transitional housing, enforcement and site clean-up. The implementation begins with outreach efforts by ICA to provide meals, clothing and showers, as well as client needs assessment, identification of appropriate resources and service provision. Following, ICA will begin to transport individuals to the intake facility at 3635 Calaveras Road, offering full supportive wraparound services. The final phase will mobilize clean-up efforts; and

With the transfer of \$825,000 from the Public Works FY 2024/25 Operating Budget to the CARE Homelessness Pilot Program, there will be sufficient funding to issue a contract to Inner City Action for \$297,430; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Establish the proposed CARE Homelessness Pilot Program, Project No. WC25056.
2. Authorize the Interim City Manager to begin implementation and pursue funding opportunities as outlined.
3. Transfer funds in the amount of \$825,000 from the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Public Works Operating Budget to the CARE Homelessness Pilot Program, Project No. WC25056.
4. Award a contract to Inner City Action of Manteca, CA, in the amount of \$297,430 to deliver outreach and temporary shelter for the CARE Homelessness Pilot Program.
5. The Interim City Manager is hereby authorized to take whatever actions are necessary and appropriate to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED April 29, 2025.

CHRISTINA FUGAZI
Mayor of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

KATHERINE ROLAND, CMC
City Clerk of the City of Stockton