

Grant Report: Q1 2025

Fourth & Hope

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Period of Support: & January 1, 2025 - March 31, 2025 (Q1 2025)

Total Dollar Amount of Support: & \$60,000

Report Period: & January 1, 2025 - March 31, 2025 (Q1 2025)

Program and General Requests Report

A. Restatement of Original Plan and Modifications

The original grant request outlined a plan to provide comprehensive services to individuals experiencing homelessness and addiction in Yolo County. This included providing shelter, meals, substance use recovery programs, and employment assistance. The core focus was on expanding our capacity to serve the growing needs of the community while maintaining the quality of our existing programs.

A minor modification was made to the plan in February. Due to an unexpected increase in residents with dietary restrictions, we expanded our kitchen team to include a part-time cook specializing in vegetarian and vegan meal options. This modification required a slight reallocation of funds within the existing budget, which was approved by the finance committee. The effect has been positive, leading to increased resident satisfaction and reduced food waste.

B. Measurable Outcomes and Progress

The original request outlined the following measurable outcomes:

- Increase the number of individuals served by 10% compared to the previous quarter.
- Maintain a bed occupancy rate of at least 90%.
- Facilitate the transition of at least 15 individuals into permanent supportive housing.
- Achieve a program completion rate of at least 70% for the Walter's House residential treatment program.

During this reporting period, we have made significant progress toward achieving these outcomes. We served 487 individuals, exceeding our goal. Our bed occupancy rate was 92%, surpassing our target. We successfully transitioned 18 individuals into permanent supportive housing. While the program completion rate for Walter's House was slightly below target at 68%, we are analyzing the data to identify areas for improvement. We are actively working to boost program engagement to meet the goals set in our original request. We also exceeded our goal of job placements, placing 11 of the clients in permanent employment.

The outcomes have not changed from those originally proposed.

C. Data Collection Methods and Findings

We utilize a variety of methods to gather data on the program, including:

- Daily shelter logs to track occupancy rates and demographics.
- Client intake forms to collect information on individual needs and goals.
- Regular client surveys to assess satisfaction with services.

- Case management notes to document progress toward goals.
- Employment tracking systems to monitor job placements and retention rates.
- Monthly financial reports to track program expenditures.

One notable finding is the positive impact of the "Hope Garden" therapy initiative, launched in partnership with a local church. Participants in the gardening program reported a significant reduction in stress and anxiety levels.

D. Lessons Learned

The greatest strengths of the program are its comprehensive approach to addressing homelessness and addiction, its dedicated staff and volunteers, and its strong community partnerships.

The most important concerns currently facing the program, apart from finances, are the increasing demand for services due to the ongoing housing crisis and the challenges of recruiting and retaining qualified staff.

E. Attracting Additional Resources

This grant has been instrumental in attracting additional resources to Fourth & Hope. Specifically:

- The grant allowed us to leverage matching funds from a local foundation.
- The grant has increased visibility in the community and attracted new volunteers.
- 4 Walter's House program graduates have returned as volunteers to assist in mentoring.

F. Plans for Ongoing Funding, Expansion, Modification, or Replication

We plan to pursue ongoing funding from a variety of sources, including government grants, foundation grants, and individual donations. We are exploring the possibility of expanding our services to include a mobile outreach program to reach individuals who are not accessing our existing facilities. We are also planning to pilot a new job training workshop for shelter residents in the next quarter.

G. Other Funding Sources

Other funding sources received during this period for this program include:

- City of Woodland: \$15,000
- County of Yolo: \$20,000

- Individual Donations: \$5,000

Signature of Executive Director: _____

Date: _____ ““