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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE:	May 13, 2025
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CATEGORY: Regular Calendar 1

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DEPARTMENT: Board of Supervisors

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT #: All

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Matt Plummer, District 4 Supervisor, (530) 225-5557

STAFF REPORT APPROVED BY: Stewart Buettell, Deputy County Executive Officer

<u>Vote Required?</u> Simple Majority Vote	<u>General Fund Impact?</u> No Additional General Fund Impact
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RECOMMENDATION

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DISCUSSION

On April 22, 2025, the Board directed staff to bring forward an item for discussion and consideration of committing to the goal of ending veteran homelessness in Shasta County over a three-year period.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board could decline to adopt the resolution or could defer the discussion and consideration to a later date.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

County Counsel has approved the resolution as to form. The Recommendation has been reviewed by the County Administrative Office.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no additional General Fund impact associated with this discussion. There could be Future General Fund impact depending on the Board's decisions and direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SHASTA
ESTABLISHING A COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVE FUNCTIONAL ZERO FOR
VETERAN HOMELESSNESS**

WHEREAS, Shasta County is a place where we honor our veterans, as indicated by this statement on the road signs establishing the boundary lines of the County; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is committed to ending veteran homelessness in Shasta County by June 2028, as defined by Functional Zero for veteran homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Functional Zero means veteran homelessness is brief and rare. Functional Zero is part of the Built for Zero national movement and methodology, which has helped 12 communities across the nation achieve functional zero veteran homelessness to date; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is committed to working collaboratively with other local governmental, collaborative and community-based organizations to achieve this goal, and encourages other local agencies and organizations to adopt and pursue this same goal, as the Shasta Advisory Continuum of Care already has; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is committed to allocating relevant leadership within the Shasta County Health and Human Services Agency, Shasta County Veterans Services Office, and any other relevant agencies to attend a regular county-wide strategy meeting to collaboratively problem-solve and coordinate efforts in pursuit of this goal; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is committed to allocating relevant frontline staff to participate in regular case conferencing calls to discuss specifically how to house individual veterans who are homeless and to collaborate with other organizations to house as many veterans as possible; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is committed to proactively seeking out veteran-specific funding or homelessness-related funding that can be used to support homeless veterans; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is committed to looking for opportunities to direct existing funding, when possible, toward the achievement of functional zero for veteran homelessness and coordinate funding with other local organizations and agencies, when possible; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is committed to proactively seeking out opportunities to expand housing inventory that veterans can use; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is committed to sharing updates on progress toward this goal every 6 months.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta do hereby commit to the goal of ending veteran homelessness in Shasta County by June 2028, as defined by Functional Zero for veteran homelessness, and taking the previously stated actions to pursue this goal.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of May 2025, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta by the following vote:

AYES: X
NOES: X
ABSENT: X
ABSTAIN: X
RECUSE: X

KEVIN W. CRYE, CHAIR
Board of Supervisors
County of Shasta
State of California

ATTEST:

DAVID J. RICKERT
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOSEPH LARMOUR
County Counsel

By: _____
Deputy

By: _____
[Name]
Deputy County Counsel