



**City of Davis  
Social Services Commission  
Minutes  
Monday, April 17, 2023**

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**1. Call to Order & Roll Call**

*Chair Fulp-Cooke called the meeting to order at 7:00pm*

*Commissioners Present: Judith Ennis; Rachael Fulp-Cooke, Chair; Julia Mouat, Vice Chair; Judy Wong-Chen*

*Commissioners Absent: Susan Perez, Jenna Shaw-Battista*

*Staff Present: Dana Bailey, Social Services and Housing Director; Kelly Stachowicz, Assistant City Manager*

**2. Approval of Agenda**

*Ennis moved, with a second by Mouat, approval of the agenda. Motion passed by the following vote:*

*AYES: Ennis, Fulp-Cooke, Mouat, Wong-Chen*

*NOES: None*

*ABSENT: Perez, Shaw-Battista*

**3. Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners, and Council Liaisons**

*None*

**4. Public Comment**

*None*

**5. Consent Calendar**

**A. March 20, 2023 Commission Minutes**

*Fulp-Cooke moved, with a second by Wong-Chen, approval of the consent calendar. Motion passed by the following vote:*

*AYES: Ennis, Fulp-Cooke, Mouat, Wong-Chen*

*NOES:*

*ABSENT: Perez, Shaw-Battista*

**6. Regular Items**

**A. Update: Daytime Respite Center - CommuniCare**

*Progress Report on Respite Center Operations for 2022*

*Yvonne Page, Respite Supervisor and Tegwin Millard, Assoc Clinical Director for Behavioral Health, shared statistics on services provided to Respite Center clients in 2022, along with first quarter of 2023. Majority clients identify as being*

from Davis. Services include laundry and personal hygiene facilities, mobile medicine, case management from Yolo County, Project Roomkey (now concluded), Davis PAWS for pets, and housing referrals

Commissioners asked questions about data, including questions about who clients are, how they receive services, what challenges are. CommuniCare tries to meet people where they are and ultimately get them connected to services. CommuniCare noted that they regularly receive brand new intakes (who have never been to the respite center before). Hoping that Paul's Place will also help to provide services.

Gaps include ability to provide intense case management to newly housed individuals. Also, program needs volunteers, especially for assistance with daily operational efforts to allow case managers to spend more time case management.

Public Comment:

Question about how to volunteer?

#### **B. Update: Short-Term Emergency Aid Committee (STEAC)**

Presentation by Liane Moody, Executive Director

Ms. Moody provided overview of STEAC's mission to assist neighbors in need, with main focus on low-income families. STEAC works with other service providers to get referrals.

- Food Programs include food pantry, grocery delivery for vulnerable groups, food packs for kids and homeless individuals, and holiday adopt-a-family. Food Pack program has grown since pandemic. Cost of food in general has greatly increased recently.
- Another set of programs included education textbooks for community college students, job training, legal documents, and clothing/transportation gift cards.
- Final set of programs is for homeless prevention to include eviction prevention (204 families so far this year), first month's rent, and bill pay/utility assistance. In 2022, there have been 99 eviction prevention cases in Davis so far, which is an increase from previous years. 82% of those who have eviction protection assistance from STEAC have been able to keep their units.
- Funding is 85% private, from private donors and private grants, which allows for flexibility.
- Stated need for more affordable housing options.
- Would like for families to have more control over their hours (advanced schedules, etc. to provide some security). STEAC has volunteer base.

No public comments.

**7. Subcommittee, Liaison Assignment**

**A. Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance Study Subcommittee (Fulp-Cooke, Ennis)  
Approval of presentation of findings to Council.**

*Commission will meet on Monday May 8 to discuss and have their regular meeting for May.*

**B. DJUSD Student Support Services Collaboration (Perez, Shaw-Battista, Wong-Chen)**

*Subcommittee has meetings set up.*

**8. Commission and Staff Communications**

**A. Development Projects and Affordable Housing Properties Update**

*Stachowicz reported that there are 3 units on market and staff is working with two others to get them on the market.*

**B. Social Services and Housing Department Update**

*Bailey reported: Downtown Streets Team has moved into new offices at Davis Community Church. They are currently recruiting participants. Once teams are going, they have a weekly “success story” meeting to celebrate participants in the program. This meeting is open to the public. DST will be looking for volunteers.*

*Winter Shelter closed March 31 and debrief planned.*

*Homelessness Forum for Community Stakeholders, Thursday April 27, 1pm via zoom. Will include community visioning and review of existing strategic plans.*

**9. Long Range Calendar: Upcoming Meeting Dates and/or Potential Agenda Items**

*May will focus on inclusionary zoning and debrief from April 27 meeting. Will move Aggie House, Downtown Streets Team to June.*

**10. Adjournment**

*Meeting adjourned by consensus at 8:20pm.*