

Request for Board Action Details

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Title
Presentation: Housing Stability Project Update

Recommendation
None. For information and discussion only.

Background and Rationale
In the past two years, Ramsey County has taken extensive action to address the changing needs of the homeless population. The homeless population was generally served by placing people in congregate shelters where many beds would be in the same room. There were also many encampments that occurred in public areas.

During the pandemic, there was an urgent need to change how individuals experiencing homelessness were served and to end large encampments and congregate settings where people were living very close to each other. The county opened several homeless shelters with individual rooms for single people, couples, and family units to adhere to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on social distancing. This included hotels such as Como Park and Capital Ridge and other facilities such as Luther Seminary, Mary Hall, and the use of the former Bethesda Hospital as a shelter and respite facility.

Attachments
None.