



**EL DORADO OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS**

Dear Community Partners:

The EDOK board writes this message with warm appreciation for the partnerships that helped drive the Continuum of Care (CoC) forward during the 2017-2018 year. Though it is important that we write this message to acknowledge our accomplishments, it is equally as important to celebrate the many community partners who have spent years diligently giving their time to raise awareness and support for the issue of homelessness. It is evident that we would not be here without them.

El Dorado County is full of tireless local advocates who seek solutions, passionate volunteers who selflessly dedicate their time to help those in need, and a variety of local leaders who, now more than ever, understand the need to coordinate time and resources to maximize what we can do as a system. As regions strive to improve the state of homelessness through needed funding, housing, and programs, this community too will continue to explore and implement evidence based solutions that can bring positive outcomes to those experiencing a housing crisis.

Through the efforts of many, coupled with an enhanced administrative focus, the 2017-2018 year brought the CoC its single largest grant awards in its history, unveiled its first fully dedicated website, and launched its Coordinated Entry System to help target limited housing and services to those with the greatest needs. Without question, these efforts help to lay a foundation for where this region will grow into the future. It is important to acknowledge that these accomplishments would not have been possible without key administrative support from the El Dorado Community Foundation, as well as generous financial support from the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, Marshall Hospital, Marshall Foundation, Hangtown Village Square, and the City of Placerville. EDOK graciously thanks these groups for everything.

Lastly, we extend our gratitude and thanks to all community partners who continue supporting Continuum of Care initiatives. EDOK strives to remain optimistic and tactful in the pursuit of solutions to positively impact homelessness in the County of El Dorado. As we move into the 2018-2019 program year, we look forward to another year of enhanced coordination and progress to improve opportunities for those in need of housing.

To the future:

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