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## **SHELTER Solano, Inc. Receives Funding For Homeless Emergency Shelter**

**Fairfield, CA - January 23, 2019** - SHELTER Solano, Inc. received funding approval from both the Solano County Board of Supervisors and the Vacaville City Council today to provide services to the 60 clients currently living at the shelter and for future clients.

The Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to provide up to \$270,000 in funding contingent upon participation by the cities in Solano County. The county referred 98 of the 569 intakes at the shelter in 2018. The board also unanimously approved an additional \$700,000 in program funding for homeless individuals who suffer from mental illness.

"SHELTER Solano is grateful to the Board of Supervisors for their unwavering commitment to serving the homeless," said John Eckstrom, SHELTER Solano, Inc.'s CEO. "Their steadfast involvement to ensure a viable and sustainable program-based model whose mission is to stop the revolving door for those experiencing homelessness is a testament to each supervisor's service to the community."

The Vacaville City Council voted unanimously to provide \$40,000 in funding. Last year, more than 40 homeless residing at the shelter were from Vacaville. And one week ago the Fairfield City Council gave their support by voting unanimously to provide \$59,000.

"In our conversations with city and county officials these past few months I have been truly impressed by their devotion to our community," continued Mr. Eckstrom. "The officials of Fairfield and Vacaville are exemplary examples of the partnerships we are building in Solano County."

Additional funding is also coming from Kaiser Permanente, Sutter Health, Partnership HealthPlan of California, and NorthBay Healthcare. SHELTER Solano is positioned to begin operations at the shelter on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

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### **About SHELTER Solano, Inc.**

SHELTER Solano, Inc. is an affiliate of SHELTER, Inc. whose mission is to prevent and end homelessness. SHELTER, Inc. was founded in 1986 to address the growing homeless crisis and has expanded its critical work to serve Contra Costa, Solano, and Alameda counties.