



**MEMORANDUM**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors

DATE: June 8, 2021

FROM: Leah Rosasco, Senior Administrative Aide

SUBJECT: Commendation – Roseville High School Computer Science Students

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Approve a Commendation recognizing Mr. Brad Crockett’s Roseville High School computer science students for their participation in the Transition Age Youth Housing Collaborative Roommate App Workgroup.

**BACKGROUND**

The Transition Age Youth Housing Collaborative Roommate App Workgroup began meeting in January of 2021 to help identify and address impacts related to the lack of affordable housing options for Placer County youth. The effort focused on transition age youth, young people ages 18 to 24, and centered on the creation of an app that allows youth to connect with others their age who are seeking affordable housing options.

Mr. Crockett’s students voluntarily joined the Workgroup and contributed their computer science knowledge and skills to help develop the app, which features links to resources for a number of services for youth in need. As a result of the efforts of the students and the Workgroup transition age youth now have a safe way to find fellow transition age youth roommates in Placer County and gain access to much needed services.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Commendation

# COUNTY OF PLACER

## Commendation



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**IN THE MATTER OF A COMMENDATION RECOGNIZING MR. CROCKETT'S COMPUTER SCIENCE STUDENTS AT ROSEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL AND THEIR WORK ON THE TRANSITION AGE YOUTH HOUSING COLLABORATIVE ROOMMATE APP WORKGROUP**

**WHEREAS**, the Transition Age Youth Housing Collaborative Roommate App Workgroup was established on January 28, 2021 to promote a solution to the county's affordable housing and youth homelessness crisis, focusing on young people ages 18 to 24; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Crockett's students volunteered to join the team and provide their high-quality computer science knowledge and 21<sup>st</sup> century professional and leadership skills to work in partnership with the Transition Age Youth Housing Collaborative to develop Placer Connect, a roommate sharing app for transition age youth; and

**WHEREAS**, since the project began, Mr. Crockett's class and the Workgroup have sought to ensure that all transition age youth have greater opportunities to obtain, afford, and sustain permanent housing by creating a youth-designed online platform that provides transition age youth a safe place to find fellow transition age youth roommates in Placer County; and

**WHEREAS**, although a project of this magnitude would typically take years to complete, the Workgroup's efforts moved the app from prototype to active within three months. Understanding the importance of feedback from youth with lived experience, the Workgroup convened multiple meetings with transition age youth in the community to gain their insight; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Crockett's students promoted wraparound support by creating a resource section on the app where users can find a list of agencies that provide different housing types in Placer County from shelters and transitional housing to permanent housing, as well as financial support through the Transition Age Youth Housing Collaborative assistance funds. The app also includes a link to 2-1-1 to help connect transition age youth to a wide variety of resources they might need; and

**WHEREAS**, the dedication, commitment, and professionalism of Mr. Crockett's Computer Science Class at Roseville High School has been crucial in helping to fight homelessness among transition age youth. With their successful efforts to create this app, the students have helped to ensure that transition age youth will have a better chance at obtaining permanent housing by providing a safe and easy way to connect with other youth who are facing the same housing issues.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN** that the above COMMENDATION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held June 8, 2021 on behalf of the citizens of Placer County, and acknowledges with great appreciation Mr. Crockett's Computer Science Class at Roseville High School on its service to Placer County's transition age youth and the creation of Placer Connect.

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