

# HUMBOLDT COUNTY ROADSHOW



**Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> – Southern Humboldt**  
Benbow KOA Campground Village Hall  
7000 Benbow Drive, Garberville, CA 95542

## Round Table Discussion Notes

During each Roadshow, members of the community visited one-on-one with their elected officials and representatives from several county departments for extended roundtable discussions. The feedback received during these discussions has been transcribed and compiled here.

### Dept of Health & Human Services (DHHS)

Connie Beck

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#### How Have You Been Helped by Department Strategies?

- Mental Health Triage grants for schools
- Make sure we advertise the school position in Southern Humboldt.
- Redwoods Rural Health Care ACEs Grant!
- 0-8 ACEs Intervention!
- Child Welfare Services: BIG improvements it's night and day

#### Which Strategies Have Contributed to Positive Changes in the Community?

- Family Resource Center (FRC) - Amy T. has social work interns

#### Which Strategies Need Additional Attention? What May be Missing?

- Measure S funding for schools, youth, FRC, treatment
- Opioid prevention (young and early)
  - Keep staffing in Southern Humboldt
- Opioid prevention case worker in Southern Humboldt
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Disorder (SUD):
  - Ages 0-8 covered and 16 and up (i.e. transition age youth) are covered. There is a gap in treatment and services for ages 9-15.
- Tenant-based rental assistance
- More trafficking efforts – education, housing
- Trauma-informed response “Trafficking 101”
- Consistent early intervention – not grant funded

#### Other Ideas?

- Money for wastewater capacity for single family residential equivalents (SFRE) – Redway Community Services District (CSD)
- Pre-permitted Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) = investment pool to encourage ADUs
- Parenting classes
- More:
  - First 5 funding in Southern Humboldt
  - Family Support Specialist @FRC
- 75% of First 5 funding for Southern Humboldt required refund (not DHHS, First 5)
- Training for elderly (support) in Shelter Cove
- Make our ACEs numbers prominent so we can focus multiple communities and resources around it to improve them.
- Liaison (like CASA) for children with high ACEs
- Fund Housing Trust Fund.
- Stop using unused Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) funds for the General Fund
- Create an investment pool in partnership with Arcata Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) for homeowners to borrow against to construct ADUs for use with houseless population
- Fixed rate borrowing to address PERs cost fluctuations (CAO?)

## Agriculture

Jeff Dolf

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### How Have You Been Helped by Department Strategies?

- Taking our California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) inspections
- Sealing scales
- Operator Identification and P.A.C. (potentially meaning Pesticide Control Adviser?)

### Which Strategies Have Contributed to Positive Changes in the Community?

- Great customer service
- Established working relationships

### Which Strategies Need Additional Attention? What May be Missing?

- IN-Field pesticide testing
- Clarity on nursery square footage

### Other Ideas?

- HEMP
  - Clarified An./testing
  - Female only seeds/clone only
  - Pilot program
  - Registry 2-5-mile radius between CBD/THC
  - Flowering hemp program
  - Pre-harvest testing → post-harvest testing
  - Hemp pilot program – random selection, approximately 25 growers

## Sheriff

William Honsal

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### How Have You Been Helped by Department Strategies?

- Vehicle Abatement

Which Strategies Have Contributed to Positive Changes in the Community?

- N/A

Which Strategies Need Additional Attention? What May be Missing?

- N/A

Other Ideas?

- Mobile mental health
- Resident deputy
- Homeless camps and transient
- Recruit more local deputies
- MIST
- Focus on child abuse intervention
- Ron Machado
- Mental Health
- SVP John Cooley
- Mental health
- Human Trafficking

## Public Works

Tom Mattson

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How Have You Been Helped by Department Strategies?

- Measure Z and SB1 funding – need more

Which Strategies Have Contributed to Positive Changes in the Community?

- More funding for SB1 and Measure Z

Which Strategies Need Additional Attention? What May be Missing?

- Measure S funds need to go to the community to fix local roads
  - Alder Point Rd, Ettersburg area
  - Telegraph Ridge
  - Thomas Rd
- Clear ditches to protect or reestablish roads
- Hire more people to do work
- Fix edges, pullouts, part of roadwork
- Repair crosswalks
- Future walkability study of Garberville and Redway

Other Ideas?

- Improve broadband
- How do you prioritize the work?
  - Storm damage – FEMA, FHWA, State OES,
  - Condition – Keep good roads good
  - # of people using

- What happened to the counters?
  - Use different types – others were vandalized
- Volunteers might be needed to help

## Aviation

Cody Roggatz

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How Have You Been Helped by Department Strategies?

- N/A

Which Strategies Have Contributed to Positive Changes in the Community?

- Additional flights

Which Strategies Need Additional Attention? What May be Missing?

- Lower rates
- Competitive rates

Other Ideas?

- Sacramento flights
  - County staff meetings
- What can citizens do to help?
- Build up community around flights

## Economic Development

Scott Adair

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How Have You Been Helped by Department Strategies?

- Community engagement between individuals

Which Strategies Have Contributed to Positive Changes in the Community?

- Canna-Tourism
- Project trellis (future)

Which Strategies Need Additional Attention? What May be Missing?

- Internet for:
  - Businesses
  - Tourists
- Broadband
  - Where is it
  - How do businesses tap into it?
- What are government regulations around marketing?

Other Ideas?

- Inspire folks to reinvest in community

- Schools and after-school programs

## Planning & Building

John Ford

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### How Have You Been Helped by Department Strategies?

- Given us hope with new ideas for housing and homeless crisis
- Permitting process for older structures BUT abatement letters are scary
- Code enforcement has been positive

### Which Strategies Have Contributed to Positive Changes in the Community?

- Would like to learn more about the Safe Homes program
  - It enables a path to permit previously unpermitted housing units after the fact
- How does the Safe Homes program relate to zoning restrictions?
  - Specific permits may be available. This is handled case by case
- Outreach – plan to open office in Redway

### Which Strategies Need Additional Attention? What May be Missing?

- Return tax money revenues proportionally to the source of that revenue (i.e. southern Humboldt)
- PW has a history of inconsistent approvals of submitted plans resulting from the use of outside agencies
  - PW should consider having an engineer for in-house planning and approvals
- PW should consider recognizing the municipal advisory committee in southern Humboldt that is being organized now.

### Other Ideas?

- Emergency camping/affordable housing ordinance, effective prior to fire season
  - Coordination/relief for state campgrounds and parks that close in winter
  - Include specific language on warming and campfires in the ordinance
- How can you address challenges with:
  - Reporting/getting enforcement on public nuisance/squatters/drugs/illegal activities happening in your community/neighborhood?
- When/Where is the Housing Elements Meeting?

## Probation

Shaun Brenneman

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### How Have You Been Helped by Department Strategies?

- N/A

### Which Strategies Have Contributed to Positive Changes in the Community?

- Re-Entry
- Drug Treatment (Tx) prior to conviction
  - Who would fund that?
- Mental health on top of addiction
- Funding for Drug Medi-Cal

Which Strategies Need Additional Attention? What May be Missing?

- Residential Treatment (Tx)
- Medicated Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Cognitive- Behavioral Therapy (CBT)

Other Ideas?

- Arcata House partnership

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Circle the theme of interest:

Healthy and Safe Communities

A Healthy Environment with Robust Infrastructure

A Resilient and Thriving Economy

1) How have you been helped by the County's progress in this theme the past year?

I HAVE ONLY BEEN  
HURT & BURDENE!

2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

STORM DRAINAGE AND  
ROAD MAINTENANCE/REPAIR  
IN SOUTHERN HUMBOLDT  
NEEDS TO BE PUT BACK  
ON THE AGENDA.

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I haven't noticed much of a difference  
Gamberville. Lots of mental  
ill<sup>ness</sup> and not a lot of cops and  
policing

What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

More  
mental health services  
YMCA type centers for kids  
would be great.

I would like to see  
board of supervisors  
push back on CDFW.

CDFW has made it  
incredibly difficult  
for us to obtain  
a permit



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Building / Planning Department  
Ag Department

2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

A proper Plan developed  
By Department of Public Works  
Roads Department to utilize  
Tax Dollars to improve our environment  
with Non compliant Discharge

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Please  
Bring back  
Measure 5  
money. We are  
providing a huge  
return resource  
3. You can't even  
bring it back  
to fix our  
Roads.

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Don't send sex

offenders to So. Hum

2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

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Facebook groups used to send alerts to one another. Help facilitate. eg. with missing girls.  
Attended community meetings

2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

More police presence – we call Sheriff, no-one comes.  
~~More~~ neighborhood watch trainings  
Clot of thefts / house / car break-ins – esp. ↗

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ACEs grants for 0-8, but reduced this year

2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

- \* BROADBAND for all Redway & Garberville
- \* Sidewalks / walkways along Redwood Dr. in Redway for safety & health
- \* Scholarships for retraining for cannabis industry workers

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EDUCATION

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2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

What are you doing for the communities, like Bridgeville, that are impacted by the Cannabis Industry? We have no medical services and 1 counselor at the school who comes once a week.

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2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

Roads in So Hum  
need attention!

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Beginnings of regulating  
abusive to environment  
cannabis cultivation

2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

Repair regulatory structure  
re: local agriculture  
base so people can  
make \$ again.



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0-8 ACEs grant to support  
RRHC counseling at Redway  
School

2) What additional progress would you like to see in this theme?

Age spread ↑ (up to 6<sup>th</sup> grade)