



# Safe Camp Update

*Dana Searcy, Washoe County*

*July 12, 2021*





# Development Plan

Move people off  
the river

Finding effective  
solutions to end  
homelessness

Environmental  
Concerns

Wraparound  
Services

Public Safety  
Concerns

Human Needs

Public Health  
Concerns

Housing Focused

Public space  
enjoyment

Quality of Life





# Development Plan

## Site Evaluation

- High costs for site infrastructure
- Emergency/ADA Access
- Long timeframe

## Temporary Site

- Provide services while permanent safe camp is under construction
- Expand our outreach work with Karma Box Project

## Long Term Camp

- Will go out to RFP for permanent operator during construction





# 4. Program Model

**#1 Goal:  
Housing  
focused**

## Services

Restrooms &  
Handwashing Trash  
Drinking Water &  
Lunch and Dinner Meal

## 24/7 Staffing

Full-time County staff (1)  
Contracted Operator Staffing  
Case management  
Contracted Security

## Low Barrier

Meet people where they are  
Minimal rules  
No drugs/alcohol on site

## Participant Engagement

Facilitated feedback  
Camp Responsibilities

## Couples and Pets

## Eligibility

Priority Criteria?  
Current Location?

## Referrals

Built for Zero Outreach  
Partners





# Safe Camp at Governor's Bowl







# Admission Process

## Pre-approval process aimed at:

- Targeting Unsheltered individuals:
  - Work towards a housing plan
  - Not comfortable with congregate shelter.
- Maintaining the ability to be flexible and address changing needs.

## Pre-approval process aimed to avoid:

- A large waiting list as people may be resistant to accepting other options of housing.
- Individuals to travel across town with all their belongings to find out the safe camp is full.

### Pilot Program Partners

Eddy House  
Health Plan of Nevada  
Karma Box  
Washoe County MOST Team  
Reno Clean and Safe Team  
VA  
Volunteers of America





# Current Status (updated 7.9.21)

**Applications from front of Cares Campus = 9**

## Current participants in the Safe camp

Men	15
Women	7

## People Exited from Safe Camp

Housed	1
Other	0

## Pets

Dogs	1
Cats	1

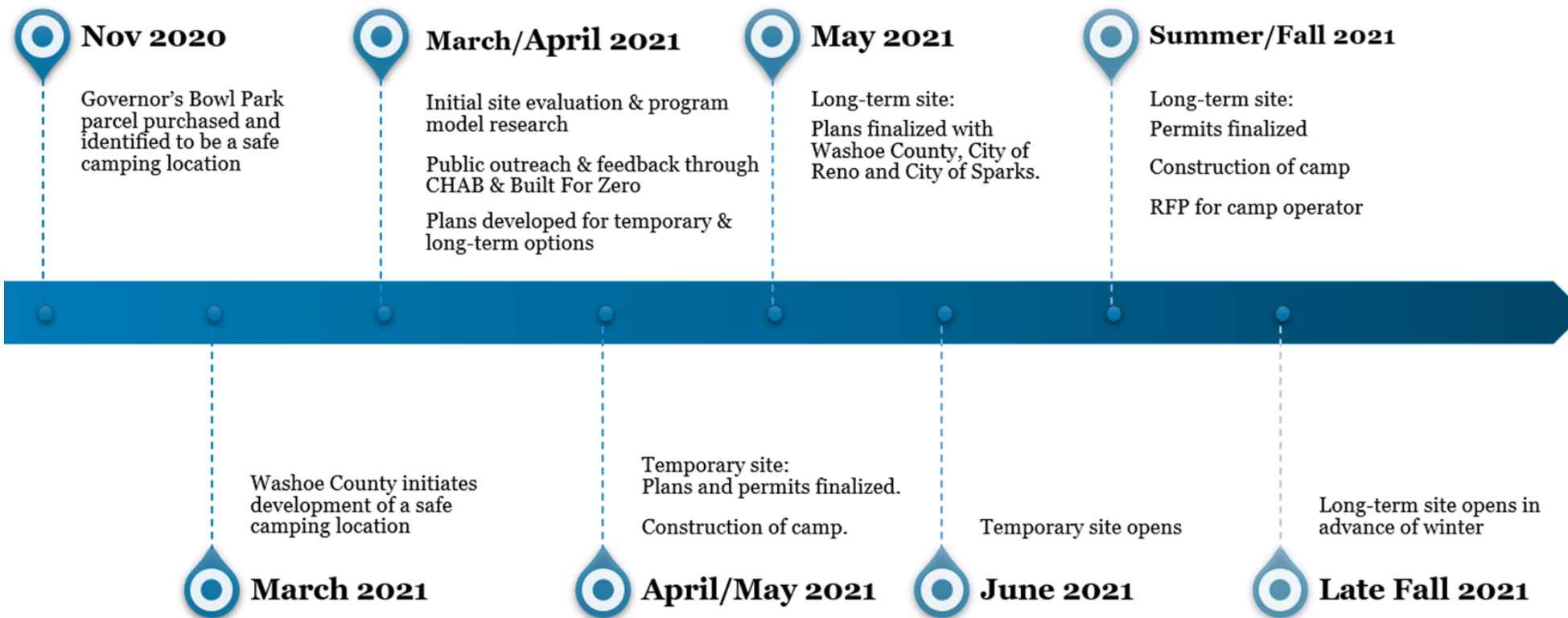








# Facility Model







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