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MC DIGNITY PROJECT (©2012 an IntegrAID Project)

After becoming familiar with Monterey County's homeless service providers and participating in local advocacy groups IntegrAID began seeking innovative solutions for the growing housing shortage in California.

We had productive exchanges with tech companies, like Twitter and Zendesk, who participated in San Francisco's offer to operate in the city's low income districts; and develop or enhance available support services in exchange for a 6-year payroll tax exclusion. The Tenderloin Technology Lab, LINK-SF.COM, a framework IntegrAID duplicated as MyLinkUp.info, and Lava Mae are products of San Francisco's incentive.

Other ventures IntegrAID is investigating are the Guaranteed/Basic Income model and the Tiny House Movement.

Our goal for researching these programs is to network partnerships and funding to test one or more of the concepts in collaboration with a local service provider for Monterey County. Because of our area's reputation for progressive solutions IntegrAID expects to fund this venture, as a feasibility study, for one or more of the philanthropic foundations addressing the homeless crisis in America.

2018 PROJECTIONS

IntegrAID will focus research on 4 key areas - the following links are to information about each item of interest.

Housing – [Tiny Houses](#) & [Shipping Container Residential Complex](#) ([Pictures](#) of Tiny Homes & Villages)

Tiny house communities have been successful providing shelter for the homeless. Shipping containers have been used for emergency housing for displaced individuals from crisis-afflicted areas and now are being implemented in California to house the homeless.

Income – [The Economic Security Project](#) & [Y-Combinator Basic Income Proposal](#)

The Economic Security Project proposes the 1% should pay additional taxes to cover a guaranteed monthly income for the working class earning an annual income under poverty levels. Y-Combinator is researching the Basic Income model, which gives those living in poverty a no strings attached monthly income for a set number of years.

Hygiene & Support Services - [Lava Mae](#)

Lava Mae repurposes retired transportation buses into showers and toilets on wheels to deliver hygiene and restore dignity among the homeless as well as providing Pop-Up Care Villages to provide needed service

Innovative Concepts – [Action Hunger](#)

Action Hunger provides the homeless vending machine style access to free food and essential sundries

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