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WE ARE LOOKING FOR INDIVIDUALS 21 YEARS+ TO SHARE KNOWLEDGE AND ACT AS A POSITIVE ROLE MODEL FOR OUR 16 AND 17 YEAR OLDS. IF YOU VALUE BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY AND HAVE ENTHUSIASM FOR INSPIRING YOUTH, WE WANT YOU AS A MENTOR!

UPCOMING EVENTS: 3/7/20: WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION FAIR 4/3/20: NON-TRADITIONAL

WOMEN

4/22/20: EARTH DAY OF

**EMPLOYMENT FOR** 

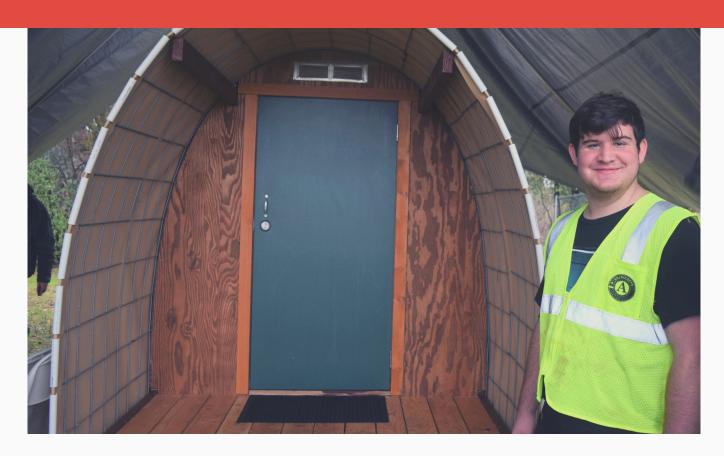
SERVICE

### **Carr Fire Recovery**

A Letter from Youth Policy Committee



Our CHYBA construction crew has been working nonstop to finish up one of four houses planned to go toward families who lost their homes in the Carr Fire. There are currently four housing sites CHYBA is involved in this year, and have been working on since September. This has been an amazing opportunity to give students experience building homes from the ground up, and they've worked alongside professionals along the way to learn things like installing insulation, foundation work, and much more. The house shown in the picture above is scheduled to be completed by the end of March.



#### **Micro Shelters for the Homeless**

#### SHASTA COUNTY

CHYBA teamed up with a non-profit from Eugene, Oregon to try out their innovative solution to housing the homeless. The nonprofit, Community Supported Shelters, specializes in building 60 square-foot huts made of cheap materials to provide transitional shelter communities for homeless people. Students worked alongside volunteer builders to put together one of these "micro shelters".

In under an hour, they managed to put together the pre-assembled pieces to complete the hut.

The unit is insulated, has ventilation, and is weather-proof. Building materials for a micro shelter cost around \$1,500 or less, and with volunteer students to assemble it, the price wouldn't get bumped up.

Community Supported Shelters is currently looking into finding property to start their micro-shelter program in Redding.



# NORTH STATE STRONG



Due to COVID-19 and the governor's shelter-in-place orders, CHYBA's campus will be closed to students until it is safe to reopen. This isn't the first time our community has faced difficult challenges. This isn't even the first time this school year! Through the Carr Fire, the PG&E power outages and more, CHYBA and the surrounding community has faced these challenges with creativity and teamwork.

CHYBA still stands ready to provide essential services to our students through these times. Staff are prepared to be flexible to meet students' educational needs, along with other pressing needs. Despite the closure, student educational progress is still the number one priority.

For the time being, stay calm and be strong. And wash your hands!







