

# Who's your hero?

**Asked in  
downtown Chico.**

**Ryan Hart**  
student

Ooh, that's hard. I'm going to say Guy Fieri, mostly because he's a fun dude and he does a lot of charity work.



**Shirley McCoy**  
KZFR office  
assistant

I'd say, probably my dad. We've always been really tight and he's always been there for me. He got me started in my love of music.



**Rob Davidson**  
English professor

Well, right now it's Keith Richards because I just listened to the brand new Rolling Stones album [*Hackney Diamonds*] and it's amazing. He's 79 years old and I think he still has something really vital and exciting, and the Rolling Stones sound excellent.



**Sara Baranowski**  
student

My hero? I'm not really sure. I mean, I kind of admire myself right now; I've been working really hard.



only commenced at the end of August 2023, these households are rapidly running out of time to get the necessary repairs to their home before winter. Our case managers are working to assist as many as possible.

Compounding this issue is the fact that some of our clients face significant mobility challenges, while others suffer from lung diseases that make residing in moldy conditions extremely hazardous. Most lack the financial resources to hire contractors independently, and even those who can may require assistance deciphering paperwork or identifying trustworthy companies.

Furthermore, the 52 percent of homeowners who have been fortunate enough to maintain their insurance coverage in recent years are understandably hesitant to file claims out of fear that it will jeopardize ongoing coverage. But if they do not file a claim, they cannot receive FEMA assistance.

The current situation presents an alarming scenario. Numerous households, many of which include elderly and/or disabled persons, are residing in homes with roofs compromised by last winter's storms, and are not prepared for another winter like the previous one. Yet an even heavier winter is predicted this year. Unfortunately, for the majority of these households, there will not be time to complete the necessary repairs in time.

The community urgently needs funding, reliable and trustworthy contractors, and proactive planning for alternative temporary housing options. While we can anticipate this scenario, a larger disaster may unfold. If we are to build a resilient community, conversations around these issues are imperative.

Emily Moore  
Chico

## Corrections:

In last month's Editor's Note ("September ends," Oct. 5), a picture of Jenise Coon should have been attributed to Caitlyn Young. It's been corrected online.

Also, in the Best of Chico winners supplement (Oct. 5), the write-up for Nurses and Professional Healthcare—winners of Best Local Healthcare Provider—should have read "leading healthcare staffing agency in the North State" (not "North America").

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