

San Luis Obispo Countywide 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness

We envision a future in which the housing and comprehensive services necessary to remain housed are available for all, affording everyone maximum selfsufficiency, and the opportunity to be productive and participating members of our community

HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC) Encampment Committee Meeting Agenda

July 2, 2020, 2 p.m. Physical Location: Room 356, Department of Social Services, 3433 S Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA Members and the public may also participate by phone. Call In Number: (717) 275-8940 PIN #: 798 2958

- 1. Call to Order and Introductions
- 2. Public Comment
- 3. Consent: Approval of Minutes
- 4. Action/Information/Discussion
 - 4.1 Discussion Item: Encampments and COVID-19
 - 4.1.1 Discussion Item: Centers for Disease Control recommendations on how to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in encampments
 - 4.1.2 Discussion Item: COVID-19 prevention, preparation and response
 - 4.2 Discussion Item: Encampment Committee Working Group Reports
 - 4.3 Discussion Item: Alternatives to Encampment Working Group
 - 4.3.1 Discussion Item: Safe Parking
- 5. Future Discussion Items
- 6. Next Meeting Date: August 6, 2020
- 7. Adjournment

HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL HSOC ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING JUNE 4 2020, 2PM Department of Social Services Room 101

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS	
MEMBERS PRESENT Anne Robin Grace McIntosh Janna Nichols Tim Waag Kristen Barneich	Jeff Smith Steve Martin Susan Funk	STAFF & GUESTSAmy WatkinsAnne GillespieAnne WyattGeorge SolisJeff Al-MashatLaurel WeirNicole BennettRuss FrancisSue WarrenTim KoznekWendy LewisToby DepewKevin PearceMary Hamilton	
AGENDA ITEM 1. Call to Order and Introductions of Guests	In the absence of Committee Chair Jeff Smith, Janna called the meeting to order as temporary Chair.	CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS	FOLLOW UP
2. Public Comment	None		
3. Action/Information/Discussion			

3.1 Discussion Item: COVID-19	The Committee gave undates on changes to	
	The Committee gave updates on changes to	
Prevention, Preparation, and	encampments since the last meeting.	
Response	Janna noted that showers are now being	
	provided for South County encampments. 5CHC	
	(5Cities Homeless Coalition) have been	
	distributing masks to people in camps.	
	Jeff reported that ECHO (the El Camino Homeless	
	Organization) is creating and distributing safety	
	bags with gloves, masks, hand sanitizer and	
	hygiene products. 70-80 bags were distributed in	
	the first two weeks.	
	Grace reported that there were around 24-28	
	people in the camp near 40 Prado before it was	
	cleared. People are now beginning to return.	
	Laurel reported that new safe parking programs	
	are operating as a result of COVID.	
	The Committee agreed to evaluate the pilot	
	programs that have been run as a response to	
	COVID in the next meeting, and to invite Public	
	Health to present.	
3.2 Discussion Item: Encampment	Janna summarized the conversation on working	
Committee Working Groups	groups. County staff were going to put out a poll	
	asking people to volunteer for working groups,	
	but this was delayed due to COVID. The	
	Committee decided to put this poll out now, with	
	the exception of the Alternatives to Encampment	
	working group, as the focus of this group is to be	
	determined by the pilot program reports in the	
	next meeting.	
	The following attendees volunteered to facilitate	
	the working groups:	
	Data – Toby	
	Costs – Tim	
	Public Health & Safety – Jeff Al-Mashat	

	 Outreach & Communications – Kristen and Nicole also volunteered to be involved in the Outreach & Communications group. The Committee agreed that a report on Safe Parking should be made at the next meeting. The Committee also agreed to seek input from homeless people via a survey. The Committee discussed alternatives to encampment, beyond safe parking and sanctioned camps, which may be apparent from the pilot programs. Anne Robin suggested that if there is funding to purchase hotels, this could be used for long term residential places and/or short-term transitional housing. Toby noted that re-entry into the community is difficult for incarcerated homeless people. Jeff suggested involving Shay Stewart from Granite Ridge Christian Camp in this conversation. 	
4. Future Discussion/Report Items:	Reports from the working groupsReports about the pilot programs	
5. Next Meeting Date	July 2, 2020	
6. Adjournment	Janna adjourned the meeting at 3:15pm.	