

Walnut Creek Community Task Force on Homelessness  
Zoom Meeting April 1, 2020

**2020 Goals & Priorities for 2020\_21**

What We Do

- Research best practices
- Advise, educate, and communicate City leadership and community at large
- Channel resources (refer, connect, finance)

Vision and Mission Statements:

Revised draft of each to be presented at next meeting. Team: Linda, Donna, Margot

**Short Term Goal Categories**

| Goal Category                              | Activities  | Priority | Team Members                      |
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| Homeless Engagement                        | Engage ARTS community to develop programs and projects that encourage empathy +communication  | x        | John Grinnell<br>Raishma<br>Anwar |
| Communication: Quarterly Forum & Education | Engage with homeless in community to assist goals -<br>Socialization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Facilitate Quarterly Forum/Education               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Various times</li> <li>○ Add a regional educational forum [?] expansion of local forum</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Education on resource referrals (CORE, 211, etc.)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Public education:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Understand why homeless</li> <li>▪ How to interact</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Research 211 as a top tier resource                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Host Study session with 211</li> <li>▪ Showcase 211 as a resource</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Mentor students - add youth to task force - young ambassadors</li> <li>○ Continue to connect with business community</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | X        | Lisa Andrews<br>Raishma<br>Anwar  |

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| Safety Net Services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laundry/Shower/Storage facilities and clothes exchange (only - no services)</li> <li>• Support Pop-up services (showers, food, etc)</li> <li>• Continue the goal of exploring storage unit options, funding, location, capacity, operations</li> <li>• Identify weekend place to be/available services - need services on Sundays</li> <li>• Social Workers</li> <li>• Specify hours for homeless at facilities/stronger scheduling; i.e., library, senior center, other</li> </ul> | x |                             |
| Trash Disposal      | Support provision of Dumpsters with sharps disposal - Dumpster mitigate issues i.e., all residents use, facilities get fined for others' dumping, homeless dumpster dive. Continue the goal of finding places to put dumpsters   | x | Jan Warren<br>Sean Connelly |
| Advisory Committee  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate/Advocate priorities to City Council</li> <li>• Model existing achievements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ St. Paul's Commons - document and share success</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |   |                             |

Long Term Goals:

| Goal Category         | Activities   | Priority | Team Members |
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| Research & Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluate goals periodically against achievements and provide data reporting</li> <li>• Bridge gap between detox beds and sober living - current research needed</li> <li>• Update research on detox beds - current research needed</li> </ul> |          | Donna        |
| Partnerships          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop, strengthen nonprofit homeless service partnerships (other than TC)</li> <li>• Support service development</li> </ul>   |          |              |
| Financing             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public financing for long term goals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Develop Call to action and financial support</li> <li>○ <b>Safe Parking and other Programs - immediate</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>                               |          |              |

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| <p>Shelter &amp; Housing</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Affordable Housing - define <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ CalTrans &amp; EMBUD for land/churches (YIGBY)</li> <li>○ Tiny homes</li> <li>○ Funding</li> <li>○ Follow process for St. Paul's Commons <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Identify key players in the process</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> |  | <p>Donna<br/>Colombo<br/>Nancy<br/>Williams<br/>Bob Sterns<br/>Cheryl<br/>O'Connor<br/>Iman Novin<br/>Mary Fenelon<br/>Sandy<br/>Hathaway<br/>Mary Fuji<br/>Kerry Inserra</p> |
| <p>Regional Task Force</p>   | <p>Establish regional task force</p>   |  | <p>Donna</p>  |
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