



WHWCNC HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday December 11, 2018 – 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
 Woodland Hills Library (Second Floor)
 22200 Ventura Boulevard • Woodland Hills, CA 91364

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AGENDA

Committee Members: Ray Cole, Gina Thornburg, Marc Bender, Zack King

Call to Order

- Roll Call
- Public Announcements
 - Debbie Decker-3,354 (how many mouths we fed, not how many meals we serve) people received groceries in November served by the West Valley Food Pantry. More families served this month than ever. 10 to 20 new family units signing up every week-family unit can be a family of 14, or a single senior, or a homeless person. It is who resides in an apartment or "household". Between the two sites, Family Rescue and West Valley Food Pantry.
 - Family Rescue-1300, WVFP 1800 normally. Numbers are increasing.
 - Seniors were the biggest growing population last year.
 - This year, more homeless, but it's across the board. Families, seniors, across the board every demographic is going up. Not even cultural, it's spread across the board.
 - People in their 20's are even coming in and increasing-Transitional Age Youth. Trying to connect with Pierce and CSUN because so many are living in their cars. Already made connections with CSUN.
 - Able to offer a really good meal through donations, grants, and raising money. Meat, cooked chicken, salads, and partnering with grocery stores to get more fresh food. Loaded with Real Food now. (8 grocery stores, 2 sprouts, gelsons, 2 ralphs, smart and final, Vons, and Walmart whole foods) Second Helpings through the LA Food Bank.66,700 lbs food donated. They split it with Family Rescue Center. Fresh food-half with each location. Food Forward donates food to them as well.
 - Saturday is the Toy giveaway 12/15 simultaneously, toy giveaway after clients get toys it is open to the public.
- Comments from Public Officials
 - Homeless Count Coming Jan 22nd.

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- On the councilmembers website, they can sign up and show up. On the day of, training starts at 6 or 7, and then people go out. Count from the car as best they can. May be on foot.
- Approval of minutes

Item no. (1) New Members

Discussion and Possible Action:

- Addition of Zack King as a new member of the WHWCNC Homelessness Committee
 - Psh and affordable housing-works in real estate on their behalf
 - Works with the Mayors Task force to help identify and explain their position
- 3 yes 0 no 0 abstain

Item no. (2) General Matters

Discussion on:

- Homeless Count 2019 involvement and volunteer outreach
- Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization meeting with LAUSD: Takeaways
 - Coalitions are being made with 2 people per school to check on the schools
 - It was communicated that the issue is more with LAUSD and not a city issue
- Additional General Matters-
 - SPA 2 housing meeting-overviews and insights
 - Informative from LAFH

Item no. (3) Bridge Housing

Discussion:

- Discussion on Bridge Housing and impacts on the West Valley
 - Explained Bridge Housing
 - Discussed impact of Canoga Park Project
 - Discussed the need for more projects in CD3 and Permanent Supportive Housing/Affordable Housing in West Valley

Item no. (4) Community Impact Statements

Discussion and possible action:

- Council File: [17-1121](#) Clean Streets Initiative / Homeless Individuals / Litter Cleanup / Public Right-of-Way / Pilot Program
 - Committee in support of the Clean Streets Initiative
 - Clean Streets Clean Start is already being conducted in Woodland Hills through Don Larsons group
- Council File: [15-1138-S34](#) Senior Homelessness / Comprehensive Homeless Strategy (CHS) / City and County Preventative Programs / Assessment
 - Program to help pay deposits over time
 - Program to help pay for seniors stabilize rent after a spouse passes away or they lose income
- Discussion of Homeless Emergency Aid Program ([HEAP](#)) Grant Funding For Council District
 - Possible grant and funding suggestions for the Council Office.

Item no. (5) Homelessness Forum

- Review of the West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness Educational Forum in Woodland Hills
 - Successful event
 - Stakeholders were able to discuss with nonprofit agencies, police, and local politicians on efforts that are being done to reduce homelessness
 - Over 30 vendors (Nonprofit Organizations combating homelessness) and civic leaders attended

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- Over 50 stakeholders RSVP'd on the website and over 100 total visitors came to the educational forum
- Updates on West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness Joint Homelessness Forum efforts and upcoming locations
 - Discussed future events in Granada Hills, Chatsworth, and Reseda upcoming.

Item no. (6) Upcoming Topics

Discussion of upcoming topics

Public Comment: 2 minutes. Total time for Public Comment will be 20 minutes. Speaker must fill out a speaker card. Answers to questions posed during the meeting will be addressed.

The agenda may be revised prior to the meeting to add further items for discussion

Adjournment of meeting:

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