

Ad Hoc Committee on Homelessness Meeting Report

Meeting held on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 6:30pm.

Jennifer Corral was asked to hold this week's meeting.

Jennifer asked Joann Valle for an update about businesses being contacted to fund a temporary emergency motel shelter fund for the homeless in Harbor City. Ms. Valle informed the committee that she is getting resistance from businesses. The resistance is due to some homeless costing businesses money from them destroying their properties. Lila Omura-Garcia has set up a 501c(3) in which businesses and individuals could donate to and it be tax deductible for the donating party. The need for shelter is for the homeless who are trying their hardest to take the steps of getting off Harbor City streets (ex. Families, as well as individuals).

There was mention of creating a flyer for businesses and individuals to explain what the donated money would be used for. Also, an update flyer to show how their funds that were donated have helped a homeless family or individual off the streets.

Ms. Omura-Garcia updated the committee on the Homeless Count that was held on January 25th. It was held around the streets of Figueroa and Pacific Coast Highway, Frampton to Harbor City Park. It was a strange night as most the homeless were not around. So, the new count that will be published soon, Harbor City has little to no homeless people. Even with that night's count, the need for more people to come out and be advocates for the homeless is still needed. Volunteers can go with Lila to learn what to do.

Ms. Valle had asked if there was any help necessary in order to create a facebook page specifically for Harbor City Homeless issues and successes. Ms. Omura-Garcia said she can do it and will let us know if she needs any assistance.

There was also mentioned another storage bin might be donated to Ms. Omura-Garcia. Will update at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm. Next meeting to be held on March 9, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Corral

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