



X Street Navigation Center Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 8, 2021 6 PM – 7:30 PM

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Highlights from the meeting chat and any materials shared during the meeting are below in the meeting minutes.

Attendance:

<p>Adrienne Hall, St. Hope Academy Allison Joe, District Representative Amanda, Community Member Amanda Bayard, Volunteers of America NCNN Amani Sawires, Volunteers of America NCNN Andrea, Sierra Curtis NHA NCC Andrea Rosen, Curtis Park NHA Cheyenne Caraway, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency Eric Fay, Sierra Curtis Neighborhood Association Heather Mundy Downtown Streets Team Hillary Coy, District Representative James Landreth, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency</p>	<p>Jameson Parker Midtown Association Janelle Smith, WellSpring Jay Schenirer, Sacramento Vice Mayor Mark Meeks, City Church of Sacramento MaryLiz Paulson, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency Mimi Budd, Curtis Park Neighborhood Association Nick Golling, Office of Homeless Services Rachel Davidson, Downtown Streets Team Rejie Baloyos, Asian Resource Center Ro, Client enrolled at X Street Navigation Center Sarah O'Daniel, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency Terri Galvan, Community Against Sexual Harm</p>
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Agenda Items:

Agenda Item	Presenter(s)	Time	Item Type
I. Introductions	Vice Mayor, Jay Schinerer	6:00 PM (10 minutes)	Informal
<p>Vice Mayor, Jay Schinerer called the meeting to order around 6:05 PM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance of 24 participants. Explained that the purpose of this meeting is to let people in the community know what is taking place the X Street Navigation Center to make sure that all questions and concerns are heard. 			
II. VOA+DCR: updates on outreach, numbers, guest updates	Amani Sawires (VOA) Nathan Cox (DCR)	6:10 PM (20 minutes)	Highlights
<p>Amani Sawires (Chief Operating Officer, VOA) provided some Highlights about the shelter operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current Occupancy is 92 Guest 50% of population is 55 years of age and older 			

- 80% of population are struggling with IV drug abuse disorder
- 17 clients have been housed since the shelter opened
- 15 clients have gained employment
- Outreach is taking place daily in partnership with DST. Focusing now on the more challenging encampments.
- Service Provider are actively engaged to assist with mental illness and substance disorder counseling and offering educational and intervention treatment options. Some of these service providers are:
 - National Alliance on Mental Illness ([NAMI Sacramento](#))
 - Bay Area Addiction Research and Treatment ([BAART Norwood](#)) and ([BAART Carmichael](#))
 - El Hogar Community Services ([Guest House Homeless Program](#))
 - Elica Health Centers ([Mobile Medicine](#))
- Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services are involved providing clothing and mobility assistance devices.

Nick Golling (Office of Homeless Services, City of Sacramento)

- Total of 6 field representatives with DCR currently. Onboarding 3 new trainees next week and growing.
- Team goes out multiple times per week interacting with the immediate neighborhood, resulting in 5 recent enrollments within the last seven days.
- Pleased to see all partners collaborating so well. This is a big accomplishment.

Q&A

Amanda – **How many residents are in the shelter and what is the total occupancy? Also, why are there still encampments when there are open beds?**

Amani - We are at 92 enrolled with 8 open beds. Not everyone at the encampment locations are ready to transition to the shelter environment for many reasons. Daily outreach efforts take place and the encampments are visited frequently to build rapport and encourage the transition, but sadly some people will never want to come to the shelter. We do offer resource information to those persons. Additional referrals are taken from the Curtis Park and Oak park neighborhoods also.

III. SHRA: data and report	Cheyenne Caraway (SHRA)	6:30 PM (20 minutes)	Highlights
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Cheyenne Caraway (Program Manager, SHRA) provided some Highlights about the shelter administration:

- Information about the X Street Navigation Center will be published on SHRA’s website at <https://www.shra.org/x-street-navigation-center/>
- General Information, Weekly and Monthly Reports and other relative content will available.
 - Reviewed Weekly Report for week ending 12/10/21
 - See Appendix A for Weekly Report details

Q&A

Andrea - **What percentage of the currently enrolled client are from the immediate area?**

Jay – A little over half. We continue to focus on the encampments but they are resistant. We continue to work towards improvement in that area.

IV. Downtown Streets: provide/introduce more information on Downtown streets in connection with the navigation center	Rachel Davidson (DST) Heather Frick (DST)	6:50 PM (20 minutes)	Highlights
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Heather Frick (Project Manager, Sacramento DST)

- See Appendix for Presentation
- Started with 11 team members in October and have:
 - Logged 252 hours of volunteer hours and
 - Removed over 10,000 gallons of trash within the immediate vicinity of the shelter and
 - Safely removed 409 hypodermic needles from the immediate vicinity of the shelter
- DST continues to assist in Peer2Peer Outreach with those in the encampments
 - Building Rapport
 - Collecting trash and also providing empty garbage bags
 - Pleased to see that the encampments continue the cleaning efforts on their own
- Employment Training and Education continues to be provided to the clients
 - Soft Work Skills like Accountability, Working as a Team and Developing Leadership Skills
 - Since the shelter opening two team members have gained stable employment
- Our moto is “Sactown Don’t Back Down”
- We are very proud of the client and please to be a part of the neighborhood.

Q&A

Amanda - **When existing from Highway 50 at 34th Street there appears to be a large amount of trash and other items that need to be removed. Does the DST handle that?**

Heather & James – Please report any concerns related to debris to the attention of the shelter. We collaborate with the Downtown Streets Team, Community Outreach, Code Enforcement, CalTrans and other local agencies to try and get the reported concern resolved as quickly as possible,

Amanda - **How many team members can you have participating in the beautification program?**

Heather - Downtown Streets Team is currently funded for 12-15 clients to be enrolled at the X Street Navigation Center. Clients will rotate in and out at a regular pace based on gaining employment, etc.

Mimi – **How does the shelter and/or outreach determine possessions from debris?**

Heather – The client/encampment resident is always asked about the items before they are touched or moved. We try to approach the interactions

V. Q&A: Next meeting date TBD	Vice Mayor, Jay Schinerer	7:10 PM (20 minutes)	Highlights
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VM, Schinerer – Open discussion for the group.

How often this meeting should take place in the future?

- **Monthly for the next few months and then move to quarterly?**
 - **Send monthly email updates?**
 - **What does the team want to do?**
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Ro – What will happen when they start to sweep the encampments and people start to come to the shelter in flocks seeing assistance?

Jay – If people are able I suggest that everyone watch the City Council meeting next week. The council will be discussing the mayor's proposal for a right to housing. [Follow the discussion online for updates.](#)

APPENIDIX A



X- Street Navigation Center

Opened September 21, 2021

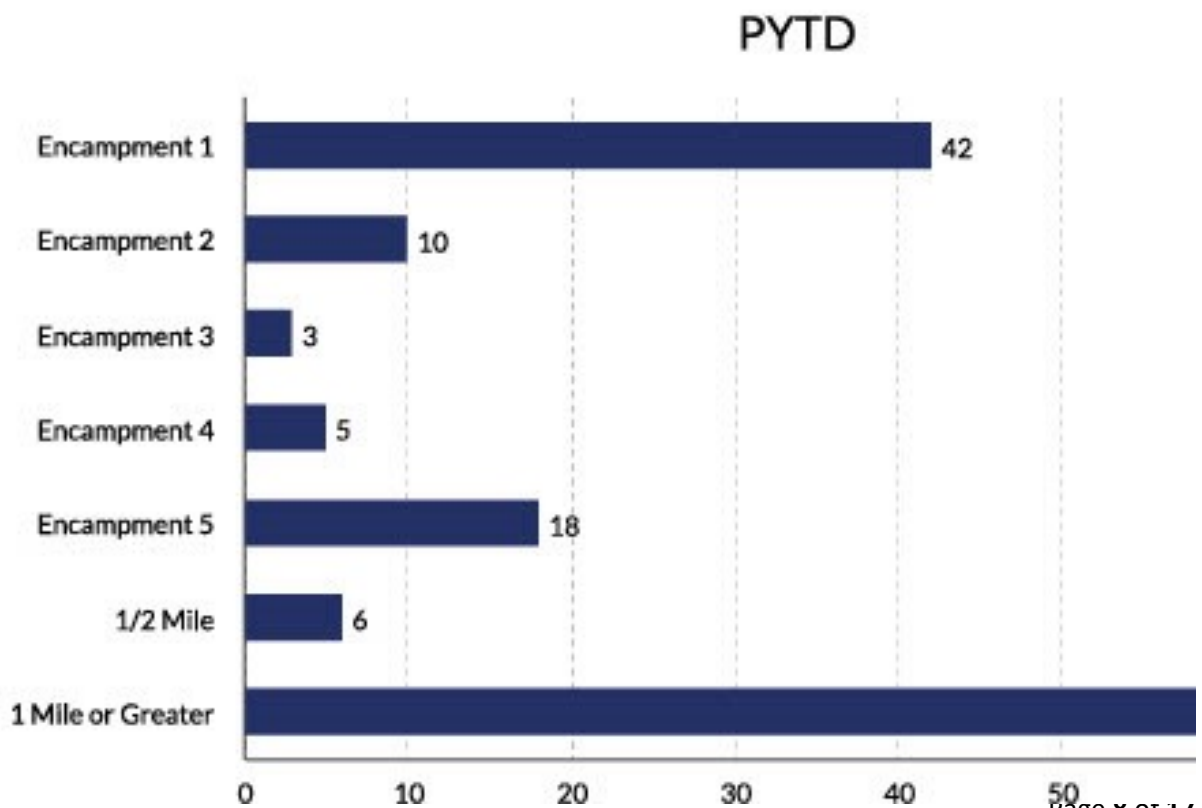
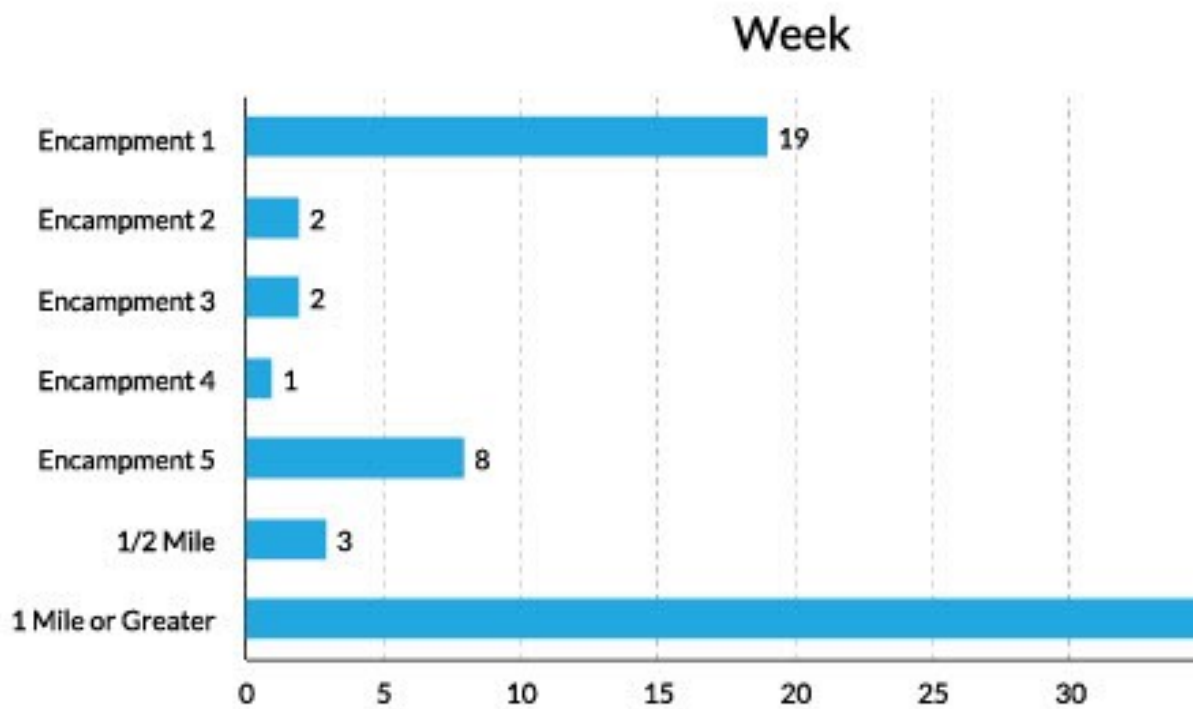
Weekly Report- December 1 to December 7, 2021

	Beds Filled %	Gender	Age	Animals	*Services: Meals and Bed Nights
As of Dec. 7th, 2021 81 Guests	90%	Female . . . 24			
		Male . . . 56	18-24 2		
		No Single Gender . . . 0	25-34 12	14	Meals 2,578
		Transgender . . . 1	35-54 31		Bed Nights 510
		Questioning . . . 0	55-61 17		
		Client Doesn't Know . . 0	62+ 19		
		Client Refused . . . 0			
Project Year to Date (PYTD) 162 Guests		Female . . . 53			
		Male . . . 108	18-24 3		
		No Single Gender . . . 0	25-34 24	14	Meals 13,755
		Transgender . . . 1	35-54 68		Bed Nights 4,076
		Questioning . . . 0	55-61 36		
		Client Doesn't Know . . 0	62+ 31		
		Client Refused . . . 0			

Animals:
The number of guest pets.

**We are at 90% during the ramp up period, however at full capacity we will be able to house 100 guests.

Admitted Encampments





Weekly Services

Number of Guests Receiving Services



Project Year to Date Successes

Employed

13 of 162

Exited with Gained Income

0 of 81



Institution:

The guest lives in:

- Foster Care Home or Foster Care Group Home
- Psychiatric Hospital or other Psychiatric Facility
- Substance Abuse Treatment Facility or Detox Center
- Hospital or Residential Non-Psychiatric Medical Facility
- Jail, Prison or Juvenile Detention Facility
- Residential Project or Halfway House with no homeless criteria
- Long-term Care Facility or Nursing Home

Employed:

Guests that arrived employed at time of intake or gained employment during their stay at the shelter as of project year to date.

Exited with Gained Income:

Guests that exited and gained income (employment, benefits, pension, retirement, etc.) during their stay at the shelter as of project year to date.



All SHRA reports are accessible on the SHRA.org website, under Find Housing-Emergency Housing and Homeless Resources- X Street Navigation Center:
<https://www.shra.org/x-street-navigation-center/>

Please refer all inquiries to SHRA Homeless Innovations Department:
Shelter Information
(916) 440-1382
HIQuestions@shra.org

All data is pulled from the Homeless Management Information System and represents a snapshot in time. Data is subject to change as it is reviewed and corrected.

APPENDIX B

DOWNTOWN STREETS TEAM

**X Street Navigation Center
November 2021**



DST: Boots on the Ground

#COMMITTED2COMMUNITY

585

**Volunteer
Hours Served**

10,080

**Gallons of
Debris Removed**

489

**Hypodermic Needles
Safely Removed**



OUTREACH

Our Team Members are out five days a week, connecting, building rapport, and providing trash bags for our neighbors living in encampments surrounding the shelter.



**DOWNTOWN
STREETS
TEAM**
#SACTOWNDONTBACKDOWN



EMPLOYMENT TRAINING

DST provides training on soft work skills like accountability, working as a Team, and developing leadership skills.

Since the opening of the shelter, we have placed two Team Members in stable employment.