

From: [Annette Summers](#)
To: [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [SauterStaff](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Shelter has helped to made our area unsafe and unclean
Date: Tuesday, February 3, 2026 1:14:37 PM

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I'm an elderly woman, living on SS who has seen our Lower Hob Hill neighborhood deteriorate after COVID when four shelters were added within 1-2 blocks of my home. HSH has allowed the once pleasant hostel hotel at 711 Post to be turned into a facility without many rules and now double the number of residence and animals. Everyday I'm subject to dealers and drug addicts in front of my home or blocking side walks, and building encampments at our surrounding bus stops. In addition to scary behaviors they and their dogs defecate on our sidewalks and leave trash everywhere. And there is constant reports one Citizen App of stabbings, shootings and other crimes within a block of my home. This was a wonderful neighborhood in 2019, it had just gone through a renaissance with young people moving here for school and Dot.com careers. I've tried to sell my home twice but because of the conditions no one wants to buy it. Plus because it is a beautiful old building our cost and now taxes keep going up. It feels like the city is trying to force good people out.

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Sincerely, Annette Summers
630 Leavenworth Street

To Monique Crayton, Clark
Please add this letter to the file for the meeting on Public Safety for 2/12

From: [Micki Esken-Meland](#)
To: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Add A Copy of My Letter to the file
Date: Tuesday, February 3, 2026 1:56:54 PM

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Dear Ms Crayton

I have sent my letter below to several supervisors. Could you please add a copy of it to the file?

Thank you very much.

Micki

**Please Do Not Get a New Operator For the 711 Post Street Shelter —
Return the Ansonia To a Tourist Hotel.**

Please permanently close the shelter at 711 Post Street and return it to its previous use as a tourist hotel or hostel.

During the Pandemic, eleven shelters were put in six blocks in our Lower Nob Hill community that borders Union Square. The largest is the 250 bed shelter at 711 Post Street. The shelter is in the Harm Reduction model, meeting people where they are at. Drugs, and dogs are admitted. Guns must be checked and put in lockers. The clientele is from hospitals, jails and the streets. They are most often in the throws of tremendous personal trauma.

The shelter has no outside space. If the clientele leaves the packed residence, they are in the community. The shelter at 711 Post is located directly between two tourist hotels and right across the street from several small restaurants and residential apartments. And it is three blocks from Union Square.

The impact of the 711 Post Street shelter on our Lower Nob Hill Community has been predictable. It has been tragic. Revenue at our hotels and restaurants have plummeted. Shootings and assaults are documented. Drug dealers and users are visible on our streets. People

with erratic behavior traumatize the community. Pet filth litters our sidewalks. Residents are terrorized.

Union Square and Lower Nob Hill can not thrive under these conditions. Please do not find a new operator for the shelter at 711 Post Street. Please close the shelter permanently.

Thank You

Micki Esken

666 Post Street

San Francisco 94109

From: [MP415 Rev](#)
To: [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [ec@lowernobhill.org](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Shelter
Date: Tuesday, February 3, 2026 4:27:51 PM

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Feb. 3, 2026

Dear Members of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee,
Supervisor Dorsey,
Supervisor Mahmood,
Supervisor Wong,

My home of 30+ years is in the Lower Nob Hill neighborhood and I write to ask that you NOT renew the shelter lease at 711 Post Street.

I concur with the descriptions by the Lower Nob Hill Neighborhood Alliance regarding the deteriorated and dangerous street conditions since the siting of the 711 Post shelter, and the concentration other shelters in this multi-family neighborhood of our City.

My neighborhood is walk-able and close to the Financial District and Union Square. Please act to keep it safe, attractive and accessible for residents -- including those who became known as "essential workers" and their families during the pandemic.

Also, please add a copy of my email to the case file.

Friend in Lower Nob Hill

CC: Clerk Monique Crayton

From: [Nick Neumann](#)
To: [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Shelter
Date: Wednesday, February 4, 2026 1:52:14 PM

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Hello Supervisors Dorsey, Mahmood, and Wong,

I'm writing as a lifelong Lower Nob Hill resident to strongly support ending the current 711 Post Street shelter operation and not renewing the lease beyond March 31.

San Francisco needs effective shelters, but 711 Post has been an ongoing problem for neighborhood safety and street conditions, and the scale and oversight have not matched what the building and block can handle. I support closing 711 Post as a shelter, rather than transferring the lease to a new contractor and extending the same issues for multiple more years.

I also want to urge the City to pursue a constructive alternative: converting 711 Post back to what it was designed to be—a hostel or similarly managed, affordable lodging. Lower Nob Hill and Union Square area used to have many hostels and low-cost beds for young travelers, artists, and solo visitors. Those options have disappeared, and small businesses on these blocks depend on consistent foot traffic from visitors who can afford to stay nearby. If San Francisco wants to recover as a welcoming tourist city, we need a range of lodging options, including affordable beds, not just high-end hotels.

Please add my letter to the file for the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee hearing on February 12.

Thank you for your time and for taking our neighborhood concerns seriously.

Sincerely,

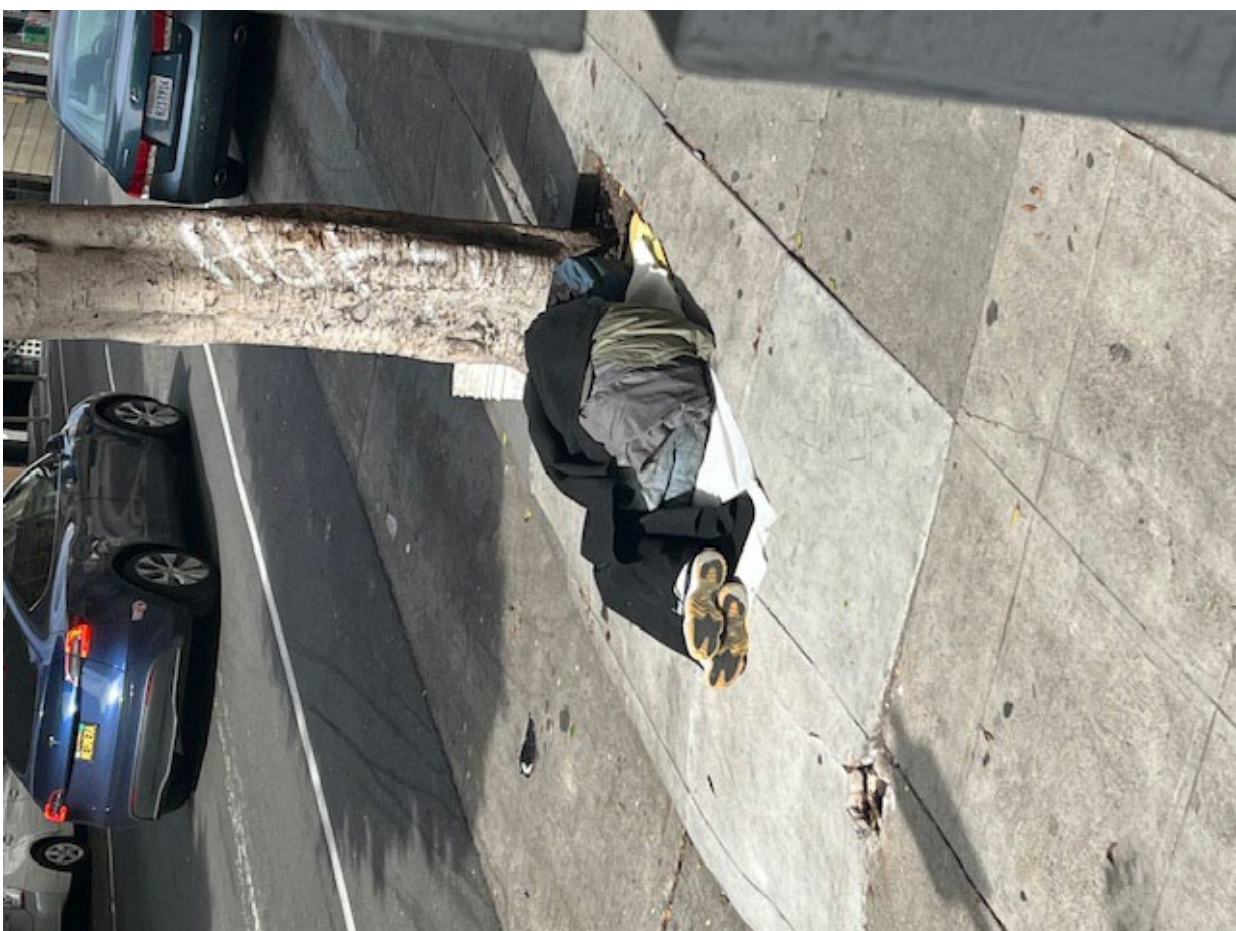
Nick Neumann
627 Taylor (Post/Sutter)

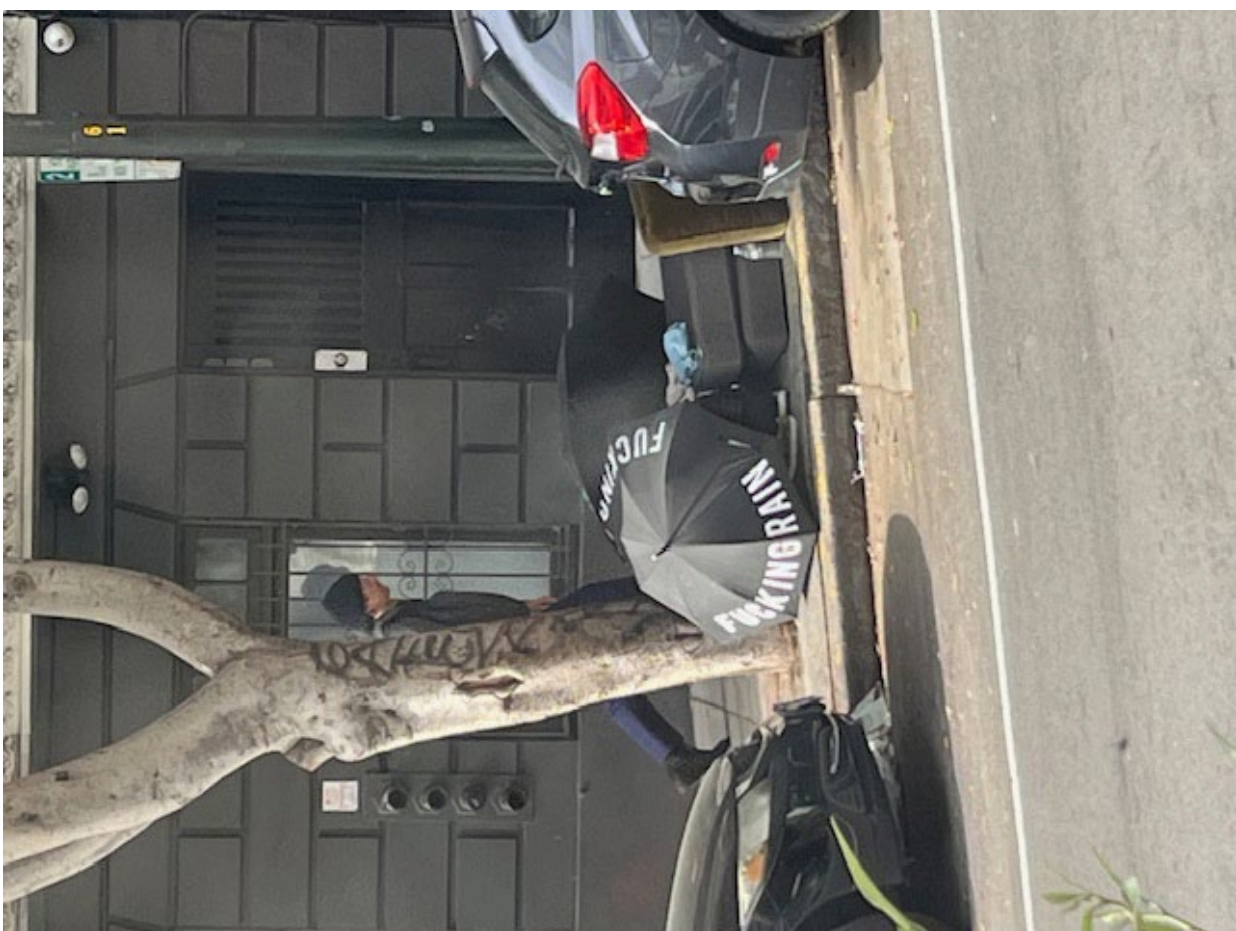
From: [Annette Summers](#)
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Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: 711 Post Street Shelter has helped to made our area unsafe and unclean
Date: Thursday, February 5, 2026 1:47:01 PM
Attachments: [Video.mov](#)

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And as a follow up these are example of what I witness outside my home everyday. Recent photos!











Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 3, 2026, at 1:14 PM, Annette Summers <am4summer@yahoo.com> wrote:

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From: [Doug Cordell](#)
To: [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [Executive Committee](#)
Subject: 711 Post St. Shelter
Date: Friday, February 6, 2026 4:23:13 PM

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I am writing to urge the closing of the 711 Post St. Shelter. The shelter is a source of danger in the neighborhood: drugs, violence, unchecked weapons and unleashed, aggressive dogs. Street conditions outside the shelter have gotten worse, in an area that already has 4 other facilities within 4 blocks. Lower Nob Hill has been a dumping ground too long, the 711 Post St. shelter must be closed!

I would also like a copy of this letter added to the file. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Doug Cordell
757 Leavenworth St., Apt. 606
San Francisco, CA 94109

From: [Kent Winkler](#)
To: [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Danny Sauter](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Shelter
Date: Saturday, February 7, 2026 8:57:54 PM

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Hi All,

I have lived on the 700 block of Post Street for 15 years. This block has been transformed into the deep Tenderloin. That was the city's choice. The city chose to open up 711 Post as a homeless shelter with virtually no rules or standards with no notice during the pandemic and with no regard for the current residents and the city CHOSE to turn our block into what amounts to a 24/7 prison yard. It has been a daily middle finger to those of us who live by the rules and pay the high rent.

We are paying rent as if we're not Deep Tenderloin. And, our rent continues to increase every year as if nothing is wrong. But, our surroundings are disgusting and are getting worse RAPIDLY. The sidewalk is covered in piss and shit. I've had residents of 711 Post flip me off for no reason and then cross the street and walk right in there ... so, I know it's not someone from elsewhere ...

I could go on and on and on.

My wife and I can't afford to pick up and move elsewhere at market rates. We moved to this block because it WAS safer than the Tenderloin.

711 Post needs to be given back to Lower Nob Hill and shut down. We already had enough problems here without it. This neighborhood was already bearing an oversized share of the city's problems.

I take the bus to and from work through the Tenderloin everyday and I see it continuing to creep up until we're overwhelmed by it. My wife doesn't feel safe on our block anymore and she shouldn't.

As a result of this shelter existing on this block, other buildings on this block have been forced to lower their rental standards. I fear what will happen to this block if this shelter causes the departure of Marriott Courtyard and the closure of Royale as an open nighttime business.

I'm happy to talk to anyone about how our neighborhood can be improved rather than destroyed.

I appreciate your help in removing the shelter from 711 Post Street and restoring more safety and peace to this block.

Sincerely,

Kent Winkler

P.S. - Please add the letter to your file.

From: [EGS](#)
To: [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Close the 711 Post Street Shelter
Date: Monday, February 9, 2026 2:11:32 PM

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Dear Supervisors Dorsey, Mahmood, and Wong,

The lease for the 711 Post Street homeless shelter expires this year. As the City considers next steps and seeks a new nonprofit operator for this approximately 280-bed facility, I urge the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee and the Board of Supervisors to take this critical opportunity to permanently close the shelter at this location.

A change in operator will not resolve the underlying problems. The core issue is not management style or nonprofit capacity; it is the scale and concentration of homeless shelters on Post Street, housing several hundred individuals—many with acute substance use disorders—in a dense residential and tourist neighborhood. That reality has produced predictable and persistent consequences that no operator change can cure.

Since the shelter opened, the surrounding blocks have experienced a documented increase in open drug dealing, drug use, assaults, and shootings. Residents routinely encounter individuals in visible mental health crisis on sidewalks and near homes and businesses. Drug dealers are drawn to the area because of the high concentration of vulnerable individuals, and their presence has fundamentally altered daily life in the neighborhood. These conditions have persisted for years, underscoring that the problem is structural—not operational.

The City imposed this shelter on the Lower Nob Hill neighborhood over strong community objections. The neighborhood has already absorbed far more than its fair share of services. There are currently three homeless shelters within a three-block radius, with a fourth men-only shelter of more than 70 beds scheduled to open at 627 Post Street later this year. As a result, there will soon be **homeless shelters on the 500, 600, 700, and 800 blocks of Post Street. No residential neighborhood can survive this level of concentration, and Lower Nob Hill is now in crisis.** This density of services is neither equitable nor sustainable. It has strained public safety resources, depressed property values, and contributed to deteriorating street conditions, despite the best efforts of individual service providers.

City leaders rightly emphasize revitalizing downtown and restoring tourism and

economic vitality. Those goals cannot be achieved while adjacent residential streets are overwhelmed by the impacts of an oversized shelter that concentrates addiction, untreated mental illness, and criminal activity in a single location. Closing the 711 Post Street shelter would be a meaningful step toward restoring balance, safety, and livability for Lower Nob Hill—while allowing this site to return to a use that supports jobs, tourism, and tax revenue.

This is a moment of choice. Revamping the shelter with a new operator will only perpetuate the same harms. I urge the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee and the Board of Supervisors not to renew the lease for the 711 Post Street shelter when it expires. Please listen to the weary residents who have borne these impacts for years and demonstrate a commitment to equity, public safety, neighborhood stability, and responsible planning by closing this facility permanently.

I respectfully request your immediate attention and decisive action.

Further, I ask that Clerk Crayton add a copy of my letter to the file.

Sincerely,

E. Gary Spitko (resident of the 600 block of Post Street since 2012)

From: [Julien DeFrance](#)
To: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [ChanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [ChenStaff](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [FielderStaff](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [SauterStaff](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [SherrillStaff](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Waltonstaff \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: URGENT - 711 Post Street Shelter - OPPOSE LEASE RENEWAL
Date: Monday, February 9, 2026 3:57:00 PM

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Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to demand that you reject any lease renewal for the 711 Post Street shelter.

This facility has failed on every measure:

The Ansonia is operating at 230% over capacity - 280 people crammed into a space licensed for 123. This is not compassionate housing; it's a dangerous, unmanaged warehouse that HSH has allowed to operate without basic safety standards for four years.

HSH's policy of "keeping the entry bar low" is bureaucratic language for zero accountability. The result: weapons violations, violence, drug dealing, and chaos that spills directly onto our streets. This isn't speculation - it's four years of documented deterioration that HSH has refused to address.

Same shit-show had dozens of other locations across Lower Nob Hill, Little Saigon, The Tenderloin, SOMA, etc. History just keeps on repeating itself. The city keeps on repeating the same mistakes, again and again, cluelessly funding these corrupt "non-profits" dozens/hundreds of millions of dollars at a time, wasting so much of our hard earned tax payer dollars.

The concentration of services is unsustainable:

Four facilities in four blocks is not equitable distribution - it's dumping San Francisco's most challenging problems onto one neighborhood while HSH abdicates responsibility for managing the consequences. Every other neighborhood would reject this, and we are too.

This facility must close

711 Post opened without proper review during COVID. That emergency is over. This lease expires March 31st, and it must not be renewed.

We will not accept another multi-year lease that locks in HSH's failed management model.

The neighborhood has been patient. HSH has been unresponsive.

Our neighborhood has had enough of all these crackheads, and other social cases

threatening our quality of life, and safety.

Sanitary concerns are also at an all-time high!

This BS ends now.

Please add this letter to the file.

Sincerely,

JD.

From: gwen@thewrightconsultants.com
To: [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [SauterStaff](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); ec@lowernobhill.org; [Nagano, Tomio \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Shelter
Date: Monday, February 9, 2026 5:27:12 PM

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Dear Honorable Mayor and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors,
My name is Gwendolyn Wright, and I am a long-time homeowner and resident of Post Street in Lower Nob Hill. **I am emailing today to express my strong opposition to renewing the lease at 711 Post Street, San Francisco.**

As a taxpayer, I am deeply concerned about both the cost and the effectiveness of this program. The City is paying approximately \$6,750 per person per month at 711 Post Street — the same rate paid at the Adante and Monarch Hotels. With 250 beds, this amounts to roughly \$1.7 million per month, or over \$20 million per year, at this single location.

I have lived and operated a business in the Lower Nob Hill neighborhood for more than 25 years. Our community has carried a disproportionate share of the burden of emergency sheltering. It is urgent that San Francisco and the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing adopt a policy of geographic equity and distribute shelters more evenly throughout the city, rather than concentrating them on Post Street.

The impacts of 711 Post Street on our neighborhood have been severe and ongoing:

- A former tourist hotel and youth hostel that once generated hotel tax revenue and supported local businesses has effectively become a crisis containment site, with no meaningful integration into the surrounding community.
- Residents regularly engage in open drug dealing on Post Street, Jones Street, Geary Street, and at nearby bus stops.
- Drug activity and loitering occurs in Cosmo Alley, Ophir Alley, Trader Vic Alley, Shannon Alley, and directly in front of local businesses.
- Local merchants and corner store owners report intimidation and a significant loss of business.
- Approximately 20 percent of residents keep one or more dogs — an estimated 50 to 60 dogs at this one address resulting in unsanitary sidewalks and unsafe off-leash behavior throughout the immediate neighborhood.
- Police, fire, and EMT responses occur multiple times per week.
- There is persistent noise pollution from very loud music from personal speakers carried around the neighborhood at all hours of the day and night.
- Crime in the immediate area has correlated with the opening of this shelter, including theft, burglaries, vandalism, graffiti, and armed robberies. We have even experienced

random fires in the neighborhood.

- Criminal activity appears to overlap between 711 Post Street, the Post Hotel at 589 Post Street, and the Adante at 610 Geary.
- Property values in the immediate area have declined at a greater rate than in surrounding neighborhoods.
- Although these shelters are described as short-term placements of up to 90 days, data shows an average stay of 205 days, with some residents remaining more than a year.

These outcomes harm residents, small businesses, and the very people this program is intended to serve.

I respectfully urge you not to renew the lease at 711 Post Street, and instead direct HSH to identify alternative locations across San Francisco so that no single neighborhood bears this level of impact.

In the interest of transparency, I also request that an economic and community impact analysis be conducted and shared with affected residents. This analysis has been requested repeatedly and has not yet been provided.

Thank you for your time and for your service to our city. I appreciate your consideration of this request. **Please add this email to your files for the record.**

Respectfully,
Gwendolyn Wright
415-939-0577

From: [Scott Russell](#)
To: [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Shelter Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 10, 2026 2:45:26 PM

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Dear Supervisor Wong,

I am writing to request that you vote to **shut down the shelter** located at 711 Post Street.

As a resident of Lower Nob Hill living less than one block from the facility, I have witnessed a significant increase in crime and a decline in the quality of life in our neighborhood since its opening in 2022. Drug dealers have established a presence near the location to service residents and their associates. My neighbors and I now report illegal activity tied to this facility to the police on an almost daily basis.

Please vote to close this facility to improve public safety in our community.

Sincerely,

E. Scott Russell
795 Sutter Street
San Francisco, CA 94109

P.S.- Clerk Monique Crayton, please have a copy of my letter "added to the file". Thank you.

From: [Molly Pope](#)
To: [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Edwin Metcalf](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Shelter Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 10, 2026 5:12:19 PM

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All the best,
Molly Pope
795 Sutter Street
San Francisco, CA 94109

P.S.- Clerk Monique Crayton, please have a copy of my letter "added to the file". Thank you.

From: [Magdalena](#)
To: [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Segal, Ned \(MYR\)](#); [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [danny@dannyd3.com](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [barbara.allen.swan@outlook.com](#); [alcazartheatre@aol.com](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Shelter: Please close 711 Post Shelter and Reduce the Shelters in Lower Nob Hill - We Cannot Live Like This Anymore
Date: Wednesday, February 11, 2026 6:35:43 PM

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Dear Supervisors,

I came to this city 30 years ago and built my life on Geary Street. I work here, I live here, I raised my family here.

For 25 years, this was a good neighborhood getting better every year.

5 years ago, everything changed. The City opened seven shelters in Lower Nob Hill within just five blocks.

Now I cannot recognize my own neighborhood.

What I see every single day: People using drugs in front of my restaurant and hotel. My guests step over needles and human waste.

There are fights, fires, break-ins, endless graffiti. Shelter residents let their dogs defecate in my lobby!

Everyone tries, but no one has power to stop what happens outside. We call, they clean, people move one block and return.

This cycle never ends.

Here is what I finally understand: The problem is not unhoused people. **The problem is putting seven shelters so close together.**

Drug dealers know exactly where to find customers. Everything in one place! This is so convenient for dealers and users, so terrible for those of us who live and work here. This concentration of shelters doesn't heal anyone, it actually traps vulnerable people in a cycle of addiction and chaos.

Also: **Union Square and Lower Nob Hill bring tourist money that pays for these shelters.**

Now my guests see the chaos and hate it.

The city is killing the business that funds the help we're trying to give.

Every district must share this burden. Spread shelters across the city, far apart. This disrupts dealer networks and shares responsibility fairly.

Lower Nob Hill needs relief. Geary corridor has enormous potential (landmark buildings, transport, density), but not while seven shelters destroy it.

What I am asking:

- **Close 711 Post Street shelter, do NOT seek replacement operators**
- **Reduce total shelters in Lower Nob Hill**

- Require every district to have shelters, distributed equitably

I'm not a politician. I'm a person who loves this city and worked hard here. For five years this has dominated my work, my peace, my home.

Please help us.

Best regards,
Martina Erhart

PS: I kindly request that a copy of my letter be added to the file.

From: [Lisa Meleney](#)
To: [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [SauterStaff](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); ec@lowernobhill.org; [Nagano, Tomio \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 711 Post Street Renewal – Concentration and Accountability Concerns
Date: Thursday, February 12, 2026 9:11:36 AM

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors and Mayor Lurie,

I am writing regarding the proposed renewal of the lease at 711 Post Street.

I recognize the City's responsibility to provide shelter and services. However, renewal decisions should be grounded in measurable performance, safety outcomes, and equitable distribution across districts.

Over the past several years, a substantial number of shelter, transitional housing, and supportive housing facilities have been concentrated within a few blocks of Post and Geary Streets, including 589 Post, 1000 Sutter, 610 Geary, 888 Post, 630 Geary, 505 O'Farrell, and 440 Geary. The cumulative density of high-needs facilities within this limited footprint exceeds what most other districts carry. Evaluating 711 Post Street in isolation ignores this concentration effect. Renewal should account for the aggregate impact of clustering multiple high-density sites in a single neighborhood.

Since the opening of 711 Post Street, residents in the immediate area have experienced sustained public drug activity in surrounding alleys and at nearby transit stops, repeated late-night disturbances, ongoing sanitation impacts, and frequent police and emergency response. These conditions have persisted rather than improved over time.

Although the program is described as short-term shelter with stays of up to 90 days, reported average stays appear to significantly exceed that timeframe. At approximately \$6,750 per person per month, renewal warrants a transparent review of cost-effectiveness, exit outcomes, and alignment with intended purpose.

711 Post Street is also located within the broader Union Square corridor, where the City and Mayor have invested significant effort and resources to restore economic vitality, tourism, and public confidence. Renewal decisions should reflect a coherent strategy for downtown recovery and neighborhood stability.

Before renewal proceeds, I respectfully request:

- A public review of safety and mitigation data specific to 711 Post Street
- Reporting on average length of stay and placement outcomes
- A district-by-district accounting of high-density shelter capacity to assess geographic equity
- An evaluation of cumulative concentration within the immediate Post/Geary corridor

If meaningful improvement and accountability cannot be demonstrated, I urge you not to renew the lease at this location and instead pursue a more balanced, performance-driven approach.

Thank you for your attention and for your service to our city.

Sincerely,
Lisa Meleney
Post Street Resident

I also request that a copy of this letter be added to the file.