

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Cabrera, Stephanie \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: We DO NOT Need Real "Treatment on Demand" Now
Date: Friday, October 21, 2022 3:11:08 PM

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**From:** Gary Decad <gmdecad@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 21, 2022 2:38 PM  
**To:** RescueSF Coalition <info@rescuesf.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Stefani, Catherine (BOS) <catherine.stefani@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Melgar, Myrna (BOS) <myrna.melgar@sfgov.org>; Mandelman, Rafael (BOS) <rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org>  
**Subject:** Re: We DO NOT Need Real "Treatment on Demand" Now

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With no response from any of you, don't expect my vote or support for your candidacy.

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To Chair Mar and Supervisors Melgar and Stefani:

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**To:** [Cabrera, Stephanie \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Hearing on Treatment on Demand This Thursday!  
**Date:** Friday, October 21, 2022 3:14:53 PM  
**Attachments:** [TOD Hearing Flyer.pdf](#)  
[2022 TREATMENT ON DEMAND HEARING \(2\).png](#)

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Sent: Friday, October 21, 2022 12:47 PM
To: SHPN (SFSPHN@googlegroups.com) <sfshpn@googlegroups.com>; safer-inside@googlegroups.com; Treatment on Demand Coalition <treatmentondemandcoalition@chp-sf.org>; cart-campaign@cohsf.org; stopsiphotelshutdown@cohsf.org; coviddaily@cohsf.org
Subject: Hearing on Treatment on Demand This Thursday!

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Hello Friends,

In 2008, our city passed a [Treatment on Demand](#) law which requires that "**The Department of Public Health shall maintain an adequate level of free and low-cost medical substance abuse services and residential treatment slots commensurate with the demand for these services**" and that the city "shall not reduce funding, staffing or the number of substance abuse treatment slots..." as long as people are seeking them.

Does it seem to you that the City has met this obligation?

We at the Treatment on Demand Coalition emphatically say NO they have not.

Please join us on Thursday, Oct 27th at 10am at City Hall (See attached flyer) to bring this message home to our city leaders and tell them, that despite what the City's annual report says..

- We need more treatment slots and fewer barriers!
- We need services that meet specific community needs, such as Spanish mono-lingual, youth friendly or LGBT
- We need to expand access to Naloxone and other life saving tools in the community
- We need outreach and education about how to get treatment
- We need more mental health treatment and dual diagnosis beds to match the need

For more information:

- This is a good article about the city's report, the issue and the hearing, by the [SE Standard](#)
- Here is the 2022 [TOD report](#).
- Attached is a flyer and a social media version and here is the Facebook [event](#).
- Call in instructions/ background/ Talking Points [Document](#)
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We hope to see you there! Sara

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As community members and advocates of San Francisco, let's use our voices to **Demand low barrier, low cost, and easy access** to treatment for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders!

Join community advocates, folks with lived experiences and service providers in urging the city to **implement Treatment on Demand NOW!**

- We demand this city provides **adequate funding** for treatment services to all who need it as the law requires
- We demand **trauma-informed** care for both mental health and substance use disorders
- We demand **low threshold** access to **residential treatment** beds
- We demand **culturally competent** support services that **meet people where they are**

Join Us In-Person

Date: Thursday, **October 27th**, 2022

Time: 10am-1pm

Location: City Hall (Room 250)

Address: 1 Dr Carlton B Goodlett Pl, San Francisco, CA 94102

*Livestream and call-in information: www.sfgovtv.org



Email: treatmentondemandcoalition@chp-sf.org

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To: [Cabrera, Stephanie \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: We Need Real "Treatment on Demand" Now
Date: Friday, October 21, 2022 12:25:44 PM

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Sent: Friday, October 21, 2022 11:18 AM
To: Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Melgar, Myrna (BOS) <myrna.melgar@sfgov.org>; Stefani, Catherine (BOS) <catherine.stefani@sfgov.org>; Mandelman, Rafael (BOS) <rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; info@rescuesf.org
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Vicki Roos

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Cabrera, Stephanie \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 220978 PC
Date: Thursday, October 20, 2022 4:45:58 PM
Attachments: [We Need Real Treatment on Demand Now.msg](#)
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From: [Gary Decad](#)
To: [Mar. Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [RescueSF Coalition](#)
Subject: Re: We DO NOT Need Real "Treatment on Demand" Now
Date: Thursday, October 20, 2022 8:46:20 AM

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On Thu, Oct 20, 2022 at 8:38 AM Gary Decad <gmdecad@gmail.com> wrote:

To Chair Mar and Supervisors Melgar and Stefani:

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From: ["David Elliott Lewis" via StopSIPHotelShutDown](#)
Cc: [Safer Inside](#); [TL Community Response](#); [StopSIPHotelShutDown](#); 30rightnow@googlegroups.com; [Treatment on Demand Coalition](#)
Subject: We are taking names. A signup form for the Tenderloin Community Stakeholder Group is now available.
Date: Wednesday, July 6, 2022 1:43:31 AM

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Greetings Tenderloin Residents, Businesses and Nonprofits,

Good news. You can now sign up to join our Tenderloin Community Stakeholder Group.

WHAT: The Tenderloin Community Stakeholder Group is composed of residents, community-based organization representatives and businesses. It will guide the creation and implementation of the Tenderloin Community Action Plan (TCAP) with city agencies. More details below.

WHY: This group should ensure that the governing body remains accountable to the diverse resident communities and stakeholders within the Tenderloin.

WHEN: Meetings will occur once monthly with meeting schedules to be announced soon.

HOW: If you would like to join our new Tenderloin Stakeholders Group please fill out and submit one of these two forms:

If you are a **Tenderloin resident**, please register here:

<https://forms.gle/4NCSw6T631TL8LRU9>

(Stipends for residents will likely be available).

or

If you are a **Tenderloin community organization or neighborhood-serving business**, please register here:

<https://forms.gle/Kwefxdi31xAeF3WV6>

LEARN MORE:

Overview of the Tenderloin Community Action Plan (TCAP)

<https://sfplanning.org/project/tenderloin-community-action-plan>

Overview of Vision 2020

<https://tlpeoplesplan.com/>

STAY INVOLVED:

One more thing. Our Vision 2020 Committee, part of the Tenderloin People's Congress, meets every Wednesday, 3pm to 4pm to review, discuss and help guide this process. Join us for an hour on Wednesdays at 3pm on Zoom at:

<https://tndc.zoom.us/j/359794044>

Invitations submitted for your consideration.

Best Regards,

=D=

David Elliott Lewis

Vision 2020, Tenderloin People's Congress.

Cell/Texting: 415-504-4285

P.S. Also with Andi Nelson, Kamene Ogidi and Sydney Cespedes from SF Planning Department and with Curtis Bradford, Co-Chair Tenderloin People's Congress.

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Subject: We DO NOT Need Real "Treatment on Demand" Now
Date: Thursday, October 20, 2022 8:38:37 AM

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To Chair Mar and Supervisors Melgar and Stefani:

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From: [Diane Sargent](#)
To: [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); info@rescuesf.org
Subject: We Need Real "Treatment on Demand" Now
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Sincerely,
Diane Sargent
SF resident - District 1

From: [GJOHNSON](#)
To: [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); info@rescuesf.org
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To Chair Mar and Supervisors Melgar and Stefani:

As a member of CCSROC Public Safety committee, and a resident of the Tenderloin, we have repeatedly asked SFPD and DA Jenkins to assist in the elimination of open-air drug usage in our community. The pressure brought to bear upon those using drugs in public initially results with the violator being issued a citation (in the hopes that they will seek treatment) and this will occur 4 times and on the fifth violation they will be forced into treatment. The concerns that come to mind are obviously that if the city lacks a current shortage in beds for individuals seeking Treatment on Demand services that are not being met, how can we expect individuals ordered to treatment (by courts) will receive that treatment with a current shortage in treatment beds? We as a community cannot have expectations of other agencies to perform their job if it's creating a bottleneck in the process.

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Once again the government agencies are not listening to the voters of this city. Almost 62% of the voters voted for this initiative and DPH has yet to come into compliance

From: [Justin Fraser](#)
To: [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); info@rescuesf.org
Subject: We Need Real "Treatment on Demand" Now
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To Chair Mar and Supervisors Melgar and Stefani:

Over the last 7 years, my neighborhood in the inner Mission district has been overrun by folks sleeping on the street. The pandemic made things worse and everyday I see dozens of folks sleeping in the street in unsafe, unhealthy environments. I've observed a lot of drug use and folks with severe mental health issues. It's not ok that the City continues to allow people to live in these conditions. It's inhumane. The City and homeless advocates/supporters/aides have been myopically focused on "housing first" for decades and that has not reduced the thousand of folks who need help who are sleeping on the streets every night. These folks need emergency shelter and drug and mental health treatment immediately.

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Thank you for your focused and sustained attention to this issue. It is cruel and inhumane that San Francisco's City government lets people continue to suffer on our streets.

Justin Fraser
1019 Shotwell St
415-205-2834

From: [Kathleen Hynes](#)
To: [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); info@rescuesf.org
Subject: We Need Real "Treatment on Demand" Now
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To: [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); info@rescuesf.org
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Respectfully

Wilson Constantine
SF Resident

From: [Peter DiGiammarino](#)
To: [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); info@rescuesf.org
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