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1 [Administrative Code - Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to state that it is City policy to expand**  
4 **the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing (“PSH”) that prohibits on-**  
5 **site illicit drug use among residents (“Drug-Free PSH”) to meet the demand of people**  
6 **experiencing homelessness who prefer such a residential option; bar the City from**  
7 **funding new Site-Based PSH for people experiencing homelessness that prohibits**  
8 **evictions on the basis of drug use alone (“Drug-Tolerant PSH”), except where**  
9 **operation of the housing as Drug-Free PSH would conflict with standards imposed by**  
10 **law or by a condition of other funding, or the Board of Supervisors has waived the**  
11 **funding prohibition based on specific findings; and require the Department of**  
12 **Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”) to survey residents of Site-Based PSH**  
13 **to assess their interest in living in either Drug-Tolerant PSH or Drug-Free PSH and**  
14 **report on the survey findings and HSH’s strategies to meet PSH residents’ demands.**

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22 subsections or parts of tables.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

1 Section 1. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 12K,  
2 consisting of Sections 12K.1 through 12K.7, to read as follows:

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4 **CHAPTER 12K: PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING; DRUG-FREE PERMANENT**  
5 **SUPPORTIVE HOUSING**  
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7 **SEC. 12K.1. FINDINGS.**

8 (a) Permanent Supportive Housing (“PSH”) plays a significant role in San Francisco’s  
9 response to homelessness by combining affordable housing assistance with voluntary support services  
10 intended to address the myriad needs of chronically homeless people, including families with children,  
11 seniors, and persons with chronic disabilities. These support services are intended to build independent  
12 living and tenancy skills, and connect people with community-based health care, treatment, and  
13 employment services.

14 (b) With few exceptions, San Francisco’s PSH sites currently adhere to the drug-tolerant  
15 policies reflected in California’s current implementation of the “Core Components of Housing First,”  
16 as set forth in California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 8255. These policies apply to state-  
17 funded PSH, and provide that “use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself, without other lease violations, is  
18 not a reason for eviction,” and that supportive services must be “informed by a harm-reduction  
19 philosophy that recognizes drug and alcohol use and addiction as a part of tenants’ lives.” Some – but  
20 not all – of San Francisco’s PSH is state-funded, and subject to the state’s current Housing First  
21 mandates. To the extent locally funded PSH in San Francisco adheres to drug-tolerant provisions,  
22 however, it does so as a voluntary policy choice subject to revision by the Board of Supervisors.

1 (c) The near universality of drug-tolerant policies in San Francisco’s PSH portfolio fails to  
2 serve the needs of many PSH residents seeking to stabilize their lives as they exit homelessness.  
3 This is especially true for those residents who are in recovery or seeking to recover from substance use  
4 disorders (“SUDs”), but it is similarly true for those supportive housing residents not in recovery who  
5 would prefer to avoid the myriad harms and risks associated with living in a residential community  
6 where the use of illicit drugs is expressly tolerated.

7 (d) Moreover, many of the externalities that arise from residents’ illicit drug use overburden  
8 the City’s public health and public safety resources because of elevated acuity and drug-related  
9 behavioral health challenges, diminishing San Franciscans’ confidence in their city government’s  
10 response to homelessness overall. According to data from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner,  
11 between June 2024 and July 2025, 26% of overdose deaths occurred in PSH, a higher percentage than  
12 in shelters, hospitals, private homes, or on the street. Drug-related behaviors and associated  
13 lawlessness lead to public nuisances that routinely rob law-abiding PSH residents and neighbors of the  
14 quiet enjoyment of their own residences and neighborhoods. Just one PSH facility alone generated 654  
15 police calls for service in a single year — averaging nearly two calls per day. A sample of 15 PSH sites  
16 showed 5,872 police calls for service during that same time frame.

17 (e) Drug-Free PSH operates as a residential community free of illicit drug use, avoiding the  
18 multitude of negative externalities of illicit drugs that bedevil many Drug-Tolerant PSH sites in San  
19 Francisco. As compared to Drug-Tolerant PSH, drug-free housing options would also better support  
20 individuals exiting homelessness who are in recovery from addiction or alcoholism as well as those at  
21 elevated risks to develop SUDs. The 2025 Homelessness Needs Assessment, published by the Our City,  
22 Our Home Oversight Committee in accordance with Business and Tax Regulations Code Section

1 2810(e)(2)(B), reported that 53% of single adults and 28% of families served through HSH's housing  
2 programs had substance use or mental health disorders.

3 (f) As of March 2026, the choices afforded to program participants are insufficiently prioritized  
4 in San Francisco's current operation of PSH. More Drug-Free PSH options would add an important  
5 new choice for PSH residents exiting homelessness, and would broaden the City's array of evidence-  
6 based solutions to more effectively address homelessness and substance use disorders that are so  
7 visible on City streets. By removing barriers to drug-free options for formerly unhoused persons and  
8 honoring the choice of some PSH residents who would prefer to live in a drug-free residential  
9 community, the policies advanced in this Chapter 12K would better serve many PSH residents, who  
10 include families with children, seniors, and individuals at all stages of recovery from SUDs and at  
11 heightened risk of suffering harms associated with illicit drug use.

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13 **SEC. 12K.2. DEFINITIONS.**

14 For purposes of this Chapter 12K, the following definitions apply:

15 "City" means the City and County of San Francisco.

16 "Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing" or "Drug-Free PSH" means Site-Based PSH  
17 where on-site illicit drug use is prohibited and is grounds for eviction, provided that participation in  
18 Medication-Assisted-Treatment, administered by a licensed healthcare provider in accordance with  
19 applicable laws and medical guidance, shall not be deemed illicit drug use.

20 "Drug-Tolerant Permanent Supportive Housing" or "Drug-Tolerant PSH" means Site-Based  
21 PSH where the use of illicit drugs, without any other lease violation, is not a basis for eviction, and  
22 applicants are accepted regardless of their sobriety or use of substances, completion of treatment, or

1 participation in recovery services.

2 “Illicit drug use” means the use of a controlled or regulated substance in a manner that is  
3 unlawful under state or federal law, including use without a valid prescription or outside the scope of  
4 lawful medical or other legally permitted use, regardless of whether the substance itself may be  
5 lawfully possessed or used under other circumstances.

6 “PSH Resident Survey” means the survey described in Section 12K.5.

7 “Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing” or “Site-Based PSH” means subsidized rental  
8 housing where 100% of the units are for individuals and households with a history of homelessness, in  
9 a building that is owned or master leased by the City or a non-profit organization funded by the City,  
10 that imposes no time limit on occupancy, and provides supportive services to help residents maintain  
11 housing.

12 “Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing Portfolio” means the total number of Site-Based  
13 PSH units that are operated or funded by the City at a given time.

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15 **SEC. 12K.3. DECLARATION OF POLICY.**

16 It shall be City policy to expand the availability of Drug-Free PSH to meet the demand from  
17 individuals in need of Site-Based PSH who prefer that option as an alternative to Drug-Tolerant PSH.  
18 The goal of this policy is to promote long-term housing stability and minimize returns to homelessness.

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20 **SEC. 12K.4. USE OF CITY FUNDS FOR DRUG-TOLERANT PERMANENT**  
21 **SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROHIBITED EXCEPT WHERE DRUG-FREE HOUSING MODEL**  
22 **CONFLICTS WITH LAW OR FUNDING CONDITION.**

1 (a) Except as stated in subsections (c) and (d) of this Section 12K.4, the City shall not expend  
2 funds for any contract, grant agreement, or loan agreement to increase the City's Site-Based  
3 Permanent Supportive Housing Portfolio unless the contract, grant agreement, or loan agreement  
4 would exclusively fund Drug-Free PSH.

5 (b) The prohibition set forth in subsection (a) includes, but is not limited to: (1) entering into a  
6 grant agreement to fund an organization to provide services or operations for new Drug-Tolerant PSH,  
7 (2) entering into a grant agreement to subsidize operations and/or rents for new Drug-Tolerant PSH,  
8 and (3) entering into a loan agreement for the development and construction of any new Drug-Tolerant  
9 PSH.

10 (c) The prohibition set forth in subsection (a) shall not apply to any contract, grant agreement,  
11 or loan agreement for Site-Based PSH where operation of such Site-Based PSH as Drug-Free PSH  
12 would be prohibited by law or in conflict with applicable conditions of funding.

13 (d) The Board of Supervisors may waive the prohibition set forth in subsection (a) by resolution  
14 only if the Board makes the following findings:

15 (1) Such waiver is necessary to meet the demand for Drug-Tolerant PSH as determined  
16 by the PSH Resident Survey conducted under section 12K.5, or is otherwise determined by the Board to  
17 be in the public interest; and

18 (2) Waiver is recommended by either the Department of Homelessness and  
19 Supportive Housing ("HSH") or the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development; and

20 (3) The sponsoring Department has committed to entering into a Good Neighbor  
21 Agreement with the housing operator intended to address anticipated neighborhood concerns.

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1           **SEC. 12K.5. MEASURING DEMAND FOR DRUG-TOLERANT AND DRUG-FREE**

2           **PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.**

3           (a) Within six months of the effective date of the ordinance in Board File No. 251003 enacting  
4           this Chapter 12K, HSH shall, in collaboration with the Controller's Office, conduct a survey of PSH  
5           residents to assess their interest in living in Drug-Free PSH as an alternative to Drug-Tolerant PSH  
6           ("PSH Resident Survey"). The survey instrument shall explain the drug-related policies that apply in  
7           each type of housing.

8           (b) Within one month of the completion of the PSH Resident Survey, HSH and the Controller's  
9           Office shall prepare a report summarizing the results of the survey and shall submit the report to the  
10           Board of Supervisors, along with a resolution for the Board to acknowledge receipt of the survey  
11           report.

12           (c) Within three months of the completion of the PSH Resident Survey, HSH shall prepare a  
13           report describing the strategies it intends to implement to meet the demand measured in the PSH  
14           Resident Survey for Drug-Free PSH and Drug-Tolerant PSH, in accordance with Section 12K.3, and  
15           shall submit that report to the Board of Supervisors together with a resolution for the Board to  
16           acknowledge its receipt.

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18           **SEC. 12K.6. RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

19           HSH, in consultation with the Department of Public Health, shall promulgate rules and  
20           regulations to carry out the provisions of this Chapter 12K, that:

21           (a) Establish standards for Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing operators that:

22                   (1) Prohibit the use of illicit drugs on the premises;

1                   (2) Provide that a single relapse or instance of illicit drug use may not be treated as an  
2 automatic cause for eviction or termination from a program, but that participants be offered relapse  
3 support; and

4                   (3) Provide that an operator may seek to terminate a resident's tenancy when a  
5 participant's behavior substantially disrupts or impacts the welfare of the community in which the  
6 participant resides;

7                   (b) Reaffirm HSH's commitment to use its best efforts to provide alternative housing or shelter  
8 to an individual who is living in Drug-Free PSH, where such individual is at risk of eviction, or is  
9 discharged from the program.

10                   (c) HSH shall submit such rules and regulations to the Board of Supervisors prior to the  
11 implementation of any new Drug-Free PSH site.

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13                   **SEC. 12K.7. UNDERTAKING FOR THE GENERAL WELFARE.**

14                   In enacting and implementing this Chapter 12K, the City is assuming an undertaking only to  
15 promote the general welfare. It is not assuming, nor is it imposing on its officers and employees, an  
16 obligation for breach of which it is liable in money damages to any person who claims that such breach  
17 proximately caused injury.

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19                   Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective at 12:00 a.m. on the

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**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

(Substituted - 3/17/26)

[Administrative Code - Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing]

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Existing Law

Currently, there is no law requiring or prohibiting the City from funding any model of permanent supportive housing.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing that prohibits on-site illicit drug use (“Drug-Free PSH”) to meet the demand from individuals who prefer that option as an alternative to Permanent Supportive Housing that prohibits eviction on the basis of on-site illicit drug use (“Drug-Tolerant PSH”). The goal of this policy is to promote long-term housing stability and minimize returns to homelessness.

The ordinance would also prohibit the City from funding new Site-Based Drug-Tolerant Permanent Supportive Housing except:

- Where operation of the new housing as Drug-Free PSH would conflict with standards imposed by law or by a condition of other funding; or
- Where the Board of Supervisors waives the prohibition on funding by resolution based on findings that such waiver is necessary to meet the demand for Drug-Tolerant PSH; the waiver is recommended by HSH or the Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development; and the sponsoring department has committed to enter into a Good Neighbor Agreement with the housing operator.

The ordinance would require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to survey residents of Site-Based PSH to assess their interest in living in Drug-Free PSH, and submit a report to the Board of Supervisors summarizing their findings and plans to meet demand.

### Background Information

This ordinance is a substitute of the ordinance in Board File No. 25-1003, which was introduced on October 7, 2025.

Permanent Supportive Housing plays a significant role in San Francisco's response to homelessness by combining affordable housing assistance with voluntary support services intended to address the myriad needs of chronically homeless people, including families with children, seniors, and persons with chronic disabilities. These support services are intended to build independent living and tenancy skills, and connect people with community-based health care, treatment, and employment services.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Shireen McSpadden, Director, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
Daniel Tsai, Director, Department of Public Health

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee

DATE: October 29, 2025

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

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The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Transportation Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Dorsey on October 7, 2025.

**File No. 251003**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing ("PSH") for people experiencing homelessness that supports abstinence by prohibiting illegal drug use on-site or emphasizing abstinence ("Drug-Free and Recovery-Oriented Supportive Housing"); prohibiting the City from funding Site-Based PSH for people experiencing homelessness that bars evictions on the basis of drug use alone ("Drug-Tolerant Housing") except where operation of the funded housing as Drug-Free and Recovery-Oriented Supportive Housing would conflict with standards imposed by law or as a condition of other funding; and requiring the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to survey residents of Site-Based PSH to assess their interest in living in Drug-Free and Recovery-Oriented Supportive Housing, and submitting a report to the Board of Supervisors summarizing the summary findings.

If you have comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: [john.carroll@sfgov.org](mailto:john.carroll@sfgov.org).

cc:

Offices of Chair Melgar and Supervisor Dorsey  
Dylan Schneider, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
Emily Cohen, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
Bridget Badasow, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
Dr. Naveena Bobba, Department of Public Health  
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**RAFAEL MANDELMAN**

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**PRESIDENTIAL ACTION**

Date:

To: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Madam Clerk,

Pursuant to Board Rules, I am hereby:

Waiving 30-Day Rule (Board Rule No. 3.23)

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Rafael Mandelman, President  
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Shireen McSpadden, Director, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
Daniel Tsai, Director, Department of Public Health

FROM: Monique Crayton, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: March 24, 2026

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

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The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following proposed legislation, substituted by Supervisor Dorsey on March 17 2026.

**File No. 251003 (Substituted)**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing ("PSH") that prohibits on-site illicit drug use among residents ("Drug-Free PSH") to meet the demand of people experiencing homelessness who prefer such a residential option; bar the City from funding new Site-Based PSH for people experiencing homelessness that prohibits evictions on the basis of drug use alone ("Drug-Tolerant PSH"), except where operation of the housing as Drug-Free PSH would conflict with standards imposed by law or by a condition of other funding, or the Board of Supervisors has waived the funding prohibition based on specific findings; and require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing ("HSH") to survey residents of Site-Based PSH to assess their interest in living in either Drug-Tolerant PSH or Drug-Free PSH and report on the survey findings and HSH's strategies to meet PSH residents' demands.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Joy Zhan, Interim Director, Youth Commission
FROM: Monique Crayton, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee
DATE: April 1, 2026
SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following ordinance request, introduced by Supervisor Matt Dorsey on March 17, 2026. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

File No. 251003

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing ("PSH") that prohibits on-site illicit drug use among residents ("Drug-Free PSH") to meet the demand of people experiencing homelessness who prefer such a residential option; bar the City from funding new Site-Based PSH for people experiencing homelessness that prohibits evictions on the basis of drug use alone ("Drug-Tolerant PSH"), except where operation of the housing as Drug-Free PSH would conflict with standards imposed by law or by a condition of other funding, or the Board of Supervisors has waived the funding prohibition based on specific findings; and require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing ("HSH") to survey residents of Site-Based PSH to assess their interest in living in either Drug-Tolerant PSH or Drug-Free PSH and report on the survey findings and HSH's strategies to meet PSH residents' demands.

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to Monique Crayton, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ No Comment
\_\_\_ Recommendation Attached

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Chairperson, Youth Commission

**From:** [Iris Bucchioni](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Supporting Drug Free Housing  
**Date:** Sunday, January 11, 2026 12:52:38 PM

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## Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent      Iris Bucchioni

Email                              irismvbucchioni@yahoo.com

Subject                              Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:                              Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

I am writing to express my strong support for Supervisor Matt Dorsey's legislation to expand the availability of drug-free and recovery-oriented Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco.

For too long, our city's approach to supportive housing has overlooked a vital segment of the unhoused population: those who are actively seeking or maintaining sobriety. Under the current "Housing First" framework, individuals in early recovery are frequently placed in environments where they are surrounded by the very substances and behaviors they are trying to escape. This lack of choice isn't just a policy gap, it is a barrier to life-saving recovery.

I support this legislation because:

**Safety and Choice:** Residents deserve the right to choose a living environment that supports their health goals. For many, a "drug-tolerant" building is not a bridge to stability, but a trigger for relapse.

**Effective Use of Resources:** By utilizing Prop 1 bond funds and other state resources specifically intended for recovery housing, we can expand our housing portfolio without taking away from existing "Housing

First" programs.

Addressing the Overdose Crisis: With overdose deaths reaching record highs, we must provide every possible tool for long-term remission. Sober living environments are a proven component of successful recovery.

We cannot continue to offer a "one-size-fits-all" model for supportive housing. I urge you to vote YES on this ordinance to ensure that San Francisco provides a diverse range of housing options that honor and protect the hard work of recovery.

Thank you.

Iris Bucchioni

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**From:** [Kate English](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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## Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent      Kate English

Email                              kenglish1775@comcast.net

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:                         Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

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Thank you.

Kate English

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tam tam

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Karen Schwartz

Email                              kielygomes@yahoo.com

Subject                             Supporting Drug Free Housing

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Thank you.

Karen Schwartz

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Holly Dungan

Email                              hollydungan@gmail.com

Subject                             Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Patricia Stanton

Email                              pstanton1224@gmail.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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Patricia Stanton

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From your constituent      Leslie Koelsch  
Email                              koelsch1886@comcast.net  
Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Lorna Walker

Email                              sf.lorna@gmail.com

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Lorna Walker

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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Email                              fhochschild@yahoo.com  
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Email                              ammurphy1@dons.usfca.edu

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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Email                              tsokolov@hotmail.com

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## COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS

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December 12, 2025

Supervisor Matt Dorsey  
Chair, Public Safety Committee  
City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton Goodlet Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: 251003- Expanding Drug Free Permanent Supportive Housing – Oppose as currently written

Dear Supervisor Dorsey,

This letter is in regards to your legislation, file 251003- Expanding Drug Free Permanent Supportive Housing. The Coalition on Homelessness organizes homeless people to create permanent solutions to homelessness while protecting the human rights of those forced to remain on the streets. We fully support attempts to diversify the system to meet the varied needs of our unhoused community members. The push to have more recovery housing options is laudable, as recovering from an addiction disorder is commonly a difficult and individually unique journey with many starts and stops. There are many people living in Supportive Housing that would benefit from recovery support, and many more who are seeking both housing and recovery and would like intentional housing options that are recovery friendly, such as sober living, scattered site housing or site based supportive housing with enhanced recovery services such as trauma therapy. Unfortunately, this legislation misses the mark and will not achieve that, instead pitting models against each other and hampering the flexibility the city needs to create as many forms of housing as possible.

Standard language in leases is the prohibition of illegal activity already, so the legislation creates confusion for supportive housing providers. Illegal drug use, smoking and drinking in common areas are already prohibited. Meanwhile, the inside of

housing units is private and not surveilled.

PSH is neither drug tolerant nor drug free, it is designed to be low barrier so all unhoused people who may need additional support due to health and behavioral health issues can thrive and the basic dignity of a home. The third category, Supportive Recovery, would not evict for drug use, and would have enhanced recovery services, following Housing First guidelines and could be created without the need for legislation.

The legal text creates new categories of supportive housing, using stigmatizing language. Stigma acts as a deterrent to seeking help for drug addiction and increases overdose rates.

#### Negatively Impact Pipeline and Ability to Backfill Federal Funding Losses

This legislation would negatively impact housing in the pipeline by putting confusing requirements on it. All homeless housing has braided funding - no PSH site-based buildings are from a single source of funds, but from various state, federal and local sources. The bill would impact locally funded strands, thus potentially negatively impacting the entire project.

In addition, we are set to lose federal funding for housing, with the potential loss of HUD and other housing resources. This legislation will create a complication in utilizing new funding to backfill the potential losses, as well as DSHS is about to issue new contracts for all homeless housing projects. It is unclear if this will be considered new funding and may negatively impact flexibility in this process.

#### System is short beds and units in every category

The legislation only calls for an expansion of “drug free supportive housing” and “supportive recovery” housing, without recognizing the fact that thousands of households are on the waitlist for and in need of PSH.

Ninety-seven percent of Permanent Supportive Housing residents are successfully housed. It is not designed for all homeless people; some unhoused people may need more support, for example someone with dementia may need board and care, while a working homeless person may just need a housing subsidy for extremely low-income housing. However, we simply do not have enough PSH to meet the specific category of unhoused people who need it and are many thousand units short.

Adding “supportive recovery housing”, typically called “step down” housing or “sober living” to our continuum *is needed*. We have both sober living buildings that are publicly and privately funded in San Francisco, but we are far short of meeting the need. Many individuals graduate from treatment programs onto the streets. We also need more PSH and we need more treatment, and we need more step-down housing. We also need housing tailored to higher acuties such as Board and Cares, and Co-ops. The different

models should not be pitted against each other, and this legislation does just that by calling for one, without recognizing the need for more of the other.

#### Impact on family and domestic violence

The legislation does not address families with children who have a parent who experiences a recurrence of use, likely putting the whole family in eviction proceedings, involvement with Child Protective Services, and loss of home.

#### Driving up Homelessness

The legislation calls for support to move out under recovery housing, but does not detail how that would work. It calls for evictions under Sober housing which will simply drive up street homelessness, and thus increase acuity related to addiction disorders. Homelessness drives up rates of substance use disorders.

Substance Use Disorder (SUD) is a chronic, treatable condition, and continued or intermittent use of drugs is part of the reality of the disorder. National data show that recurrence of use is often part of the recovery journey, and not a failure of treatment. It can take years and multiple engagements in treatment to achieve sustained remission; risk for meeting SUD criteria can remain elevated for several more years after that. Shame, discharge, and disconnection increase risk for overdose, incarceration, and disengagement from care.

#### Legal and Operational Issues

The legislation creates legal and practical issues with evicting people for what they are doing in the privacy of their own homes. The system has been set up to address that by having long-term one- to two-year step-down or recovery housing programs where people are living independently but within an accountable and supportive recovery community. This form of housing certainly needs expanding but does not need to do so at expense of PSH. Both are needed.

#### Omits Alcoholism

The legislation strangely omits alcohol in the recovery housing model. Alcoholism is not only the most common form of addiction, it is also intertwined with other forms of substance addiction, as many individuals with SUDs are poly substance users. Good recovery programs are comprehensive in their approach, looking at all forms of harm associated with substance use but also underlying issues driving the addiction.

#### Conflates Substance Use with Addictive Disorders

The legislation is also misguided in that it conflates all substance use with addictive disorders. Many substance users are casual users and do not suffer from addiction. Addiction is a medical diagnosis that can require medically assisted treatment, and/or other forms of treatment. It is not a good use of city dollars to set up a program for people suffering from an SUD, serving people who do not have a diagnosable SUD, given the scarce resources available to treat SUD.

#### No Sunset Date

The legislation has no sunset date, so when needs change, this legislation will remain banning the expansion of the very successful Permanent Supportive Housing model. Program design through legislation is problematic because program design is meant to be nimble responding to changing needs and landscapes.

#### Fails to Include Overdose Prevention Strategies

The legislation attacks PSH for the high number of fatal overdoses but does nothing to ensure prevention of overdoses in these same programs that disproportionately serve individuals with SUDs. There is no requirement for overdose training, emergency call buttons, naloxone distribution, buddy systems, or any other proven effective intervention.

#### Data gathering post passage

The legislation requires a survey that would take place after legislation is passed not before. It also can prove to be biased if it is surveying PSH tenants without recovery needs about the recovery needs of others.

#### Fails to take into account what formerly homeless people in recovery are calling for

Many people in recovery are getting on with their lives but may still need a housing subsidy given the high cost of rents. They would like to access scattered site housing, or they are in supportive housing and would like to get a “moving-on” subsidy to move into the private market. This allows people the flexibility to live in areas outside of the central city and move away from places where they used substances in the past, but allow them to stay in San Francisco. In addition, the existing supportive housing programs need richer services as the acuties of tenants have sharply risen, including those with dual disorders. The legislation fails to identify this large need.

While we have many critiques, we believe this legislation can be amended to resolve most of these issues. We will be providing suggestions for these changes throughout the legislative process and look forward to working collaboratively with your office. Only by working together can we solve these pressing issues.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JFR', written in a cursive style.

Jennifer Friedenbach  
Executive Director

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**From:** [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Request for Amendments to Expanding Drug-Free Housing Ordinance  
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Hi Monique,

I think this is for File No. 251003, in psns.

Best regards,

**Jocelyn Wong**

Legislative Clerk

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 12, 2026 11:23 AM

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**Cc:** Crayton, Monique (BOS) <monique.crayton@sfgov.org>

**Subject:** FW: Request for Amendments to Expanding Drug-Free Housing Ordinance

Hello – can my response be included in the file for this legislation? Thanks!

**Madison Tam** 譚詩薇 | Legislative Director  
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**Subject:** RE: Request for Amendments to Expanding Drug-Free Housing Ordinance

Good morning Cody,

Thank you for sharing this letter. We appreciate the continued feedback and engagement of SHPN, HESPA, and the Coalition on Homelessness. We are taking your recommendations under advisement and are working with the City Attorney on amendments that make progress on the issues raised. We will be in touch when we have more updates to share.

Best,

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Dear Supervisor Dorsey,

On behalf of the Supportive Housing Provider Network (SHPN), the Homeless Emergency Service Providers Association (HESPA), and the Coalition on Homelessness, we are writing to share the attached letter regarding the Expanding Drug-Free Housing ordinance.

We appreciate the Board of Supervisors' continued commitment to addressing homelessness and expanding a range of housing options that support stability and recovery for San Franciscans. As the City considers this ordinance, we respectfully request several

amendments to ensure recovery-oriented housing can be expanded without unintended impacts on permanent supportive housing or local funding flexibility, particularly in light of current federal funding uncertainty.

The attached letter outlines our perspective on recent federal Continuum of Care funding changes and proposes amendments that we believe will allow San Francisco to move recovery-oriented housing forward while preserving the strength and stability of the City's existing housing system.

We appreciate your consideration and would welcome the opportunity to discuss these recommendations further.

Thank you for your leadership and your continued work to address homelessness in San Francisco.

Sincerely,

Supportive Housing Provider Network (SHPN)  
Homeless Emergency Service Providers Association (HESPA)  
Coalition on Homelessness

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March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
1 Dr Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
City Hall, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Opportunity to move recovery housing forward with pending federal funding priorities

Dear Supervisors,

We appreciate the City and of San Francisco's continued focus on addressing homelessness and expanding housing options that meet the diverse needs of San Franciscans. We share the goal of ensuring people have access to housing models that support recovery, stability, and long-term well-being. We support the expansion of recovery housing and agree that a continuum of housing options, including recovery-oriented environments, are essential. At the same time, we want to ensure that one housing type is not moved forward at the expense of another housing type. Additionally, we want to avoid any unintended impacts on permanent supportive housing (PSH) as recovery-oriented housing is expanded during a period of federal funding uncertainty.

Congress recently passed legislation directing the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Continuum of Care (CoC) funding and establishing a minimum Tier 1 funding threshold of 60% in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). While this directive provides important clarity, it represents a significant reduction from the prior Tier 1 threshold of approximately 87% nationally. For San Francisco, this change could result in a loss of approximately \$22 million in permanent supportive housing funding. This potential reduction introduces substantial financial uncertainty and underscores the importance of preserving local flexibility to sustain and protect San Francisco's permanent supportive housing portfolio.

These drastic funding changes have been seen across the federal government. Most recently, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) abruptly ended \$2 billion for behavioral health programs and services. While that funding was reinstated, the reality for local governments is that haphazard and significant federal policy and budget changes create too much uncertainty to hamstring local dollars. We also cannot only depend on legal remedies for these issues as such can be a luck of the draw. Accordingly, we request changes in the Expanding Drug-Free Housing legislation to ensure San

Francisco can use its resources effectively while moving recovery-oriented housing forward. We request these changes as amendments, which are described below.

1. Retitle drug-tolerant housing to low-barrier housing, drug-free housing to recovery-focused supportive housing, and recovery housing to recovery-focused transitional housing
2. Remove the total funding ban of low-barrier housing to allow local funding;
3. Expand recovery-oriented housing by implementing two pilots for recovery-focused supportive housing and recovery-focused transitional housing;
4. Ensure that evictions are for behavioral reasons versus relapse of substance use

We sincerely appreciate your consideration of these requests for the Expanding Drug-Free Housing ordinance. We believe that these provisions will allow San Francisco to better mitigate federal policy and funding shifts while locally advancing diverse housing options including recovery-oriented housing. Together, we can continue increasing and improving our housing system where recovery-housing is expanded in San Francisco.

In community,

Supportive Housing Provider Network (SHPN)

Homeless Emergency Service Providers Association (HESPA)

Coalition on Homelessness

**From:** [Eben Marsh](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Eben Marsh

Email                              ebenmarsh@hotmail.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:                         Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

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Thank you.

Eben Marsh

**From:** [Mari Murayama](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Mari Murayama

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Mari Murayama  
District 1  
San Francisco

Mari Murayama

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Calum Mackay

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Carmen Morrison

Email                              nas4us@gmail.com

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From your constituent      David Nolley

Email                              danolley@aol.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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I am writing to express my strong support for Supervisor Matt Dorsey's legislation to expand the availability of drug-free and recovery-oriented Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco. I take this position based upon my decades of professional relationships with California citizens as a California Licensed Psychologist specializing in Brain Injury Rehabilitation, some of my clients having experienced their brain injuries as the result of substance and/or alcohol abuse.

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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Email                              Johnmburns48@yahoo.com

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**From:** [Marty Cerles Jr](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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**Email** [rbrandi@earthlink.net](mailto:rbrandi@earthlink.net)

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Email                              mlburkstrand@gmail.com

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Email                              plastique@kpobox.com

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Email                              martha@ehmannconte.com

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Email                              mcnamara229@hotmail.com  
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Email                              kenglish1775@comcast.net  
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Email                              djlevy1@comcast.net

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Email                              ammurphy1@dons.usfca.edu

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Amy Murphy

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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## Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent      Dan Bowermaster

Email                              scrambleer@yahoo.com

Subject                              Supporting Drug Free Housing

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Karen Breslin

Email                              kbsmail@sbcglobal.net

Subject                             Supporting Drug Free Housing

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Karen Breslin

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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**From your constituent** Stephen Martin-Pinto

**Email** [stephen@stephenmartinpinto.com](mailto:stephen@stephenmartinpinto.com)

**Subject** Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Edward Sullivan

Email                              efsullyjr@aol.com

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From your constituent Erik Sens

Email [esens123@yahoo.com](mailto:esens123@yahoo.com)

Subject Supporting Drug Free Housing

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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## Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent      Amanda Hoenigman

Email                              amanda@hoenigman.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:                         Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

I am just coming home from closing statements at the Hall of Justice where the defendant admitted on the stand that he is on meth every waking hour, and he steals in order to feed himself. He can spend his money on drugs and does not have to worry about paying rent because he lives in Supportive Housing.

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Amanda Hoenigman

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      vince hoenigman

Email                              Vince@Citymark.com

Subject                             Supporting Drug Free Housing

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vince hoenigman

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From your constituent      Emily Borowski

Email                              ejborowski@icloud.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Kevin Wallace

Email                              kevinwallace415@gmail.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Nathan Lang  
Email                              nathanlang@comcast.net  
Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Jane Day

Email                              janeday@earthlink.net

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Jane Day

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Spencer Camp

Email                              hello@spencercamp.com

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Email                              slehman21@yahoo.com

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From your constituent      Machelle Burkstrand

Email                              mlburkstrand@gmail.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Tracy Scruggs

Email                              tracy\_scruggs@yahoo.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Desiree Maggiora Miles  
Email                              desireemiles@msn.com  
Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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Email                              to\_fira@yahoo.com

Subject                             Supporting Drug Free Housing

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**From your constituent**      Ali Mandviwala

**Email**                              samali48@yahoo.com

**Subject**                              Supporting Drug Free Housing

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**From your constituent** Cynthia Brown

**Email** cymphany@hotmail.com

**Subject** Supporting Drug Free Housing

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## Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

**From your constituent** Senta Tsantilis

**Email** [sptsantilis@gmail.com](mailto:sptsantilis@gmail.com)

**Subject** Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Rebecca Saroyan

Email                              rebecca.saroyan@gmail.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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**From:** [Andreas Mitchell](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 11:20:05 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Andreas Mitchell, MD, MPP, I'm a District 10 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

In my clinical practice as a primary care physician in the San Francisco safety net, I have cared for many patients with active substance use disorders who were fortunate enough to match into permanent supportive housing (PSH). In many cases, the stability offered by that housing set them on a path to managing their medical conditions, finding employment and eventually achieving recovery from their substance use disorder. But, they weren't ready for abstinence at the moment they entered housing, and if the only housing option offered included a threat of eviction for substance use, they would have ended up right back on the street.

Rather than prohibiting the use of funds for current models of permanent supportive housing, **the ordinance should be amended to create a pilot program for recovery housing.** This would encourage an exploration and evaluation of this model, without restricting funding or creating more barriers for PSH. The current waiver language would create another hurdle. A pilot program is proactive and will generate an additive model that creates more housing, rather than creating restrictions on desperately needed housing for people experiencing homelessness.

**The ordinance should also be amended to provide stronger eviction protections.** If a tenant is at risk of being evicted, the tenant should be allowed to stay in housing until they can move into alternative housing. This will avoid increasing homelessness and forcing someone struggling with drug use out onto the street. The language in the ordinance should be stronger to ensure these protections - not just a commitment, but a promise that someone will be placed into alternative housing.

We all want people to feel comfortable in their housing, and in order to make that happen, we need to be intentional in the creation of a new type of recovery housing. Tenants should feel that they made a voluntary choice to be there because they had other housing types and chose this option. Tenants should feel safe in admitting that they relapsed and need help because they are not afraid of ending up back on the street. Amending the ordinance will produce an effective type of recovery

housing that could be helpful and life-changing for tenants and communities.

Sincerely,  
Andreas Mitchell, MD, MPP

**From:** [Yang, Jae](#)  
**To:** [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Paul Yang, and I am a District 7 resident who works in District 10. I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance on Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing.

I support expanding housing options that provide a supportive, sober environment for individuals who wish to recover from substance use. However, as currently written, this ordinance may have unintended consequences—namely, making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which could ultimately lead to higher rates of street homelessness and public drug use.

I am a physician at both UCSF and Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, where I regularly care for patients experiencing homelessness and substance use disorders. Many of these patients express a desire to stop using substances and are connected to addiction care and harm reduction resources. However, they often face complex mental health and social challenges that contribute to relapse.

Clinical evidence shows that forced abstinence is often ineffective. While abstinence-based housing can be beneficial for some, recovery is not linear, and relapse is common. Housing models must account for this reality. Individuals should have access to safe, stable housing environments that support recovery—even if they relapse—rather than face eviction and return to homelessness.

Abstinence-only housing is also more resource-intensive and may result in high turnover, as residents who relapse are removed from programs. This disrupts continuity of care and undermines long-term recovery. Instead, we should ensure that housing models allow individuals to remain engaged in care and recovery, even when setbacks occur.

Rather than restricting funding for existing Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) models, I urge you to amend the ordinance to create a pilot program for recovery-focused housing. This approach would allow the City to evaluate the effectiveness of abstinence-based models without limiting funding for existing housing options or creating additional

barriers. A pilot program would expand housing solutions, rather than constrain them.

Additionally, the ordinance should include stronger eviction protections. If a tenant is at risk of eviction, they should be allowed to remain housed until alternative housing is secured. This should be a clear guarantee—not simply an aspiration—to prevent individuals from being displaced back onto the streets.

We all want residents to feel safe and supported in their housing. To achieve this, recovery housing must be voluntary, with individuals choosing it among multiple housing options. Tenants should feel safe disclosing relapse and seeking help without fear of eviction or homelessness.

With thoughtful amendments, this ordinance could support the development of effective, compassionate recovery housing that improves outcomes for individuals and strengthens our communities.

Sincerely,

**Jae Hyun "Paul" Yang, MD**

Internal Medicine

**University of California, San Francisco**

505 Parnassus Ave | San Francisco, CA 94143

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Pronouns: he, him, his



**From:** [Katie Leiner](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Katie Leiner. I'm a District 5 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I am an internal medicine resident at University of San Francisco and spend significant time working at the safety net hospital. Recently, I was working in the hospital on the cardiology service caring for a patient who has heart failure and uses methamphetamine. He shared with me that he would like to quit using methamphetamine; however, he continues to use it because he lives on the street and uses it to stay awake to make sure that he does not get assaulted on the street and so that he does not have his personal belongings stolen. If people are kicked out of their supportive housing after one instance of returning to use, they will be forced to live on the street. A person that returns to a little bit of use will then be at risk of using more because they are exposed to the elements on the street, like is the case with this patient. More use is worse for their personal health and also puts the general public at greater risk of being exposed to used needles and cookers on the open streets.

Rather than prohibiting the use of funds for current models of permanent supportive housing (PSH), **the ordinance should be amended to create a pilot program for recovery housing.** This would encourage an exploration and evaluation of this model, without restricting funding or creating more barriers for PSH. The current waiver language would create another hurdle. A pilot program is proactive and will generate an additive model that creates more housing, rather than creating restrictions on desperately needed housing for people experiencing homelessness.

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**From:** [Beth Griffiths](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Elizabeth Griffiths, I'm a District 8 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

As a primary care physician who cares for patients with substance use disorders (aka addiction), I have seen firsthand the importance of having choice in housing options. Some of my patients prefer and would benefit from drug-free housing, and I am in support of this option. However, some of my patients with addiction also are not ready for drug-free housing but need housing first to be able to recover from their addiction, which the evidence strongly supports. I am very concerned that if only drug-free housing were built then people would only be offered drug-free housing. This ordinance should require that people who come to the top of the list be offered a choice of both types of housing, allowing them a free choice. I am also concerned that if people feel pressured to choose drug-free housing or were overly optimistic about their chances of abstinence that they would then be using in secret—something that could lead to fatal overdose and worsening addiction. I have seen this firsthand in my work as a physician.

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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Griffiths, MD

**From:** [Yolanda C](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Dorsey Sober Housing  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 1:14:55 PM

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I'm very disappointed at Supervisor Dorsey's proposed legislation. There are all kinds of reasons why people turn to drugs. Volunteering with Coalition on Homeless meeting, I am writing some things we would like to see changed.

People should not be evicted for using drugs just because they're poor and rely on government funded housing. Reminds me of early 1970s with Nixon's war on drugs fiasco.

File#251003 runs counter to San Francisco's progressive values.

I don't live in Supervisor Dorsey's district. As a resident of San Francisco, I am think of the poor. We should be able to live in our dwellings free from fear, free from want.

Respectfully,  
Yolanda Catzalco

**From:** [Rick Girling](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 1:47:58 PM

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I have lived in SF for over 50 years and I can remember times when there were far fewer homeless folks on the streets. People could afford to pay rent and had a place to live, whether they used alcohol or other drugs.

My name is **R**ichard Girling, I'm a District 9 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

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**From:** [Larry Ackerman](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 3:34:50 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is **Larry Ackerman**, I'm a District 5 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

My late husband became addicted to meth and I and others spent years trying to get him into rehab. When he finally agreed and entered a program he had a relapse the first week and was kicked out of the house and program. This alienated him so much that he never returned to any kind of rehab and eventually overdosed. Thus I firmly believe that some people need a little leniency and not strict protocols as they slowly begin a new life.

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Monday, April 6, 2026 9:31:47 AM

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makes them more traumatized, more vulnerable, and more disconnected from the very supports that help people heal.

Policies that threaten housing for people who use drugs do not reduce drug use. They increase homelessness, family instability, and public suffering. My story—and the stories of the clients I serve—show that when people are given a safe place to live, they can recover, parent safely, reconnect with community, and build a future.

Housing is not a reward for recovery.

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**Carrie Hamilton** (she/her/them)

**HPP Substance Use Coordinator/Counselor CADCI**



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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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## Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

**From your constituent** Edward Mason

**Email** zabredala3@yahoo.com

**Subject** Supporting Drug Free Housing

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Thank you.

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**From:** [Fifi Holbrook](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Fifi Holbrook  
Email                              [fifiholbrook@gmail.com](mailto:fifiholbrook@gmail.com)  
Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent      Machelle Burkstrand

Email                              mlburkstrand@gmail.com

Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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**From your constituent** Robin Morjikian  
**Email** [rmorjikian@comcast.net](mailto:rmorjikian@comcast.net)  
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**From your constituent** James Wolf

**Email** twolffamily@gmail.com

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
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From your constituent      Shari Jones

Email                              sharihatch@yahoo.com

Subject                             Supporting Drug Free Housing

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**From:** [Merwin, Madeline](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Monday, April 6, 2026 7:49:09 PM

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My name is Madeline Merwin , I'm a District 9 resident (in Potrero Hill), and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I work directly with patients who are in recovery and are medically recommended to continue use of their non-prescribed opioids in order to avoid withdrawal, prevent relapse, increase success of long-term sobriety, and meet them at their recovery goals. When stopping fentanyl use and transitioning to methadone, the federal government designates the maximum starting methadone dose at 50 mg. This roughly equates to less than a fourth of the amount of fentanyl most of my patients use per day. This means that if patients do not continue using their non-prescribed substances, they will go into horrific withdrawal and relapse returning to use.

Many of my patients also are focusing on stopping one substance at a time. They can only complete cessation of stimulants or opioids, voicing a need for more time to stop their other substances. By requiring residents to stop their use of all substances, this would SIGNIFICANTLY harm people seeking substance use treatment and prevent them from having safe transitional housing while in recovery.

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Sincerely,

**Madeline Merwin, MD | she/her**

Resident Physician, PGY-2

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**From:** [Carrie Hamilton](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Monday, April 6, 2026 9:31:46 AM

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makes them more traumatized, more vulnerable, and more disconnected from the very supports that help people heal.

Policies that threaten housing for people who use drugs do not reduce drug use. They increase homelessness, family instability, and public suffering. My story—and the stories of the clients I serve—show that when people are given a safe place to live, they can recover, parent safely, reconnect with community, and build a future.

Housing is not a reward for recovery.

**Housing is the foundation that makes recovery possible.**

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Sincerely,

Carrie Hamilton

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**From:** [Mahal Montes](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Sunday, April 5, 2026 5:34:54 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Mahal Montes, I'm a District 3 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I build community partnerships for the Institute on Aging in San Francisco and San Mateo counties. Time after time, I encounter clients who desperately need housing but cannot find subsidized options due to the scarcity of social housing available. A ban would squeeze the already lacking supply of affordable housing for folks with complex medical needs and histories of SUD.

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**From:** [Larry Ackerman](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 3:34:45 PM

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My name is **Larry Ackerman**, I'm a District 5 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

My late husband became addicted to meth and I and others spent years trying to get him into rehab. When he finally agreed and entered a program he had a relapse the first week and was kicked out of the house and program. This alienated him so much that he never returned to any kind of rehab and eventually overdosed. Thus I firmly believe that some people need a little leniency and not strict protocols as they slowly begin a new life.

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**From:** [Rick Girling](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
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I have lived in SF for over 50 years and I can remember times when there were far fewer homeless folks on the streets. People could afford to pay rent and had a place to live, whether they used alcohol or other drugs.

My name is **R**Richard Girling, I'm a District 9 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

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**From:** [Yolanda C](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Dorsey Sober Housing  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 1:14:55 PM

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I'm very disappointed at Supervisor Dorsey's proposed legislation. There are all kinds of reasons why people turn to drugs. Volunteering with Coalition on Homeless meeting, I am writing some things we would like to see changed.

People should not be evicted for using drugs just because they're poor and rely on government funded housing. Reminds me of early 1970s with Nixon's war on drugs fiasco.

File#251003 runs counter to San Francisco's progressive values.

I don't live in Supervisor Dorsey's district. As a resident of San Francisco, I am think of the poor. We should be able to live in our dwellings free from fear, free from want.

Respectfully,  
Yolanda Catzalco

**From:** [Beth Griffiths](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Elizabeth Griffiths, I'm a District 8 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

As a primary care physician who cares for patients with substance use disorders (aka addiction), I have seen firsthand the importance of having choice in housing options. Some of my patients prefer and would benefit from drug-free housing, and I am in support of this option. However, some of my patients with addiction also are not ready for drug-free housing but need housing first to be able to recover from their addiction, which the evidence strongly supports. I am very concerned that if only drug-free housing were built then people would only be offered drug-free housing. This ordinance should require that people who come to the top of the list be offered a choice of both types of housing, allowing them a free choice. I am also concerned that if people feel pressured to choose drug-free housing or were overly optimistic about their chances of abstinence that they would then be using in secret—something that could lead to fatal overdose and worsening addiction. I have seen this firsthand in my work as a physician.

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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Griffiths, MD

**From:** [Katie Leiner](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Friday, April 3, 2026 11:28:31 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Katie Leiner. I'm a District 5 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I am an internal medicine resident at University of San Francisco and spend significant time working at the safety net hospital. Recently, I was working in the hospital on the cardiology service caring for a patient who has heart failure and uses methamphetamine. He shared with me that he would like to quit using methamphetamine; however, he continues to use it because he lives on the street and uses it to stay awake to make sure that he does not get assaulted on the street and so that he does not have his personal belongings stolen. If people are kicked out of their supportive housing after one instance of returning to use, they will be forced to live on the street. A person that returns to a little bit of use will then be at risk of using more because they are exposed to the elements on the street, like is the case with this patient. More use is worse for their personal health and also puts the general public at greater risk of being exposed to used needles and cookers on the open streets.

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**From:** [Yang, Jae](#)  
**To:** [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Paul Yang, and I am a District 7 resident who works in District 10. I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance on Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing.

I support expanding housing options that provide a supportive, sober environment for individuals who wish to recover from substance use. However, as currently written, this ordinance may have unintended consequences—namely, making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which could ultimately lead to higher rates of street homelessness and public drug use.

I am a physician at both UCSF and Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, where I regularly care for patients experiencing homelessness and substance use disorders. Many of these patients express a desire to stop using substances and are connected to addiction care and harm reduction resources. However, they often face complex mental health and social challenges that contribute to relapse.

Clinical evidence shows that forced abstinence is often ineffective. While abstinence-based housing can be beneficial for some, recovery is not linear, and relapse is common. Housing models must account for this reality. Individuals should have access to safe, stable housing environments that support recovery—even if they relapse—rather than face eviction and return to homelessness.

Abstinence-only housing is also more resource-intensive and may result in high turnover, as residents who relapse are removed from programs. This disrupts continuity of care and undermines long-term recovery. Instead, we should ensure that housing models allow individuals to remain engaged in care and recovery, even when setbacks occur.

Rather than restricting funding for existing Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) models, I urge you to amend the ordinance to create a pilot program for recovery-focused housing. This approach would allow the City to evaluate the effectiveness of abstinence-based models without limiting funding for existing housing options or creating additional

barriers. A pilot program would expand housing solutions, rather than constrain them.

Additionally, the ordinance should include stronger eviction protections. If a tenant is at risk of eviction, they should be allowed to remain housed until alternative housing is secured. This should be a clear guarantee—not simply an aspiration—to prevent individuals from being displaced back onto the streets.

We all want residents to feel safe and supported in their housing. To achieve this, recovery housing must be voluntary, with individuals choosing it among multiple housing options. Tenants should feel safe disclosing relapse and seeking help without fear of eviction or homelessness.

With thoughtful amendments, this ordinance could support the development of effective, compassionate recovery housing that improves outcomes for individuals and strengthens our communities.

Sincerely,

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Pronouns: he, him, his



**From:** [Andreas Mitchell](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Andreas Mitchell, MD, MPP, I'm a District 10 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

In my clinical practice as a primary care physician in the San Francisco safety net, I have cared for many patients with active substance use disorders who were fortunate enough to match into permanent supportive housing (PSH). In many cases, the stability offered by that housing set them on a path to managing their medical conditions, finding employment and eventually achieving recovery from their substance use disorder. But, they weren't ready for abstinence at the moment they entered housing, and if the only housing option offered included a threat of eviction for substance use, they would have ended up right back on the street.

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**From:** [Julie Paul](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Supporting Drug Free Housing  
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## Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent      Julie Paul  
Email                              juliepaul164@gmail.com  
Subject                            Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:                         Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

I am writing to express my strong support for Supervisor Matt Dorsey's legislation to expand the availability of drug-free and recovery-oriented Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco.

For too long, our city's approach to supportive housing has overlooked a vital segment of the unhoused population: those who are actively seeking or maintaining sobriety. Under the current "Housing First" framework, individuals in early recovery are frequently placed in environments where they are surrounded by the very substances and behaviors they are trying to escape. This lack of choice isn't just a policy gap, it is a barrier to life-saving recovery.

I support this legislation because:

**Safety and Choice:** Residents deserve the right to choose a living environment that supports their health goals. For many, a "drug-tolerant" building is not a bridge to stability, but a trigger for relapse.

**Effective Use of Resources:** By utilizing Prop 1 bond funds and other state resources specifically intended for recovery housing, we can expand our housing portfolio without taking away from existing "Housing First" programs.

Addressing the Overdose Crisis: With overdose deaths reaching record highs, we must provide every possible tool for long-term remission. Sober living environments are a proven component of successful recovery.

We cannot continue to offer a "one-size-fits-all" model for supportive housing. I urge you to vote YES on this ordinance to ensure that San Francisco provides a diverse range of housing options that honor and protect the hard work of recovery.

Thank you.

Julie Paul

April 10, 2026

City and County of San Francisco Supervisor Bilal Mahmood

1 Dr Carlton B. Goodlett Place

City Hall, Room 244

San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Opportunity to move recovery housing forward with pending federal funding priorities

Dear Supervisors,

We appreciate the City and County of San Francisco's continued focus on addressing homelessness and expanding housing options that meet the diverse needs of San Franciscans, we share this goal. We support the expansion of recovery housing and agree that a continuum of housing options, including recovery-oriented environments, are essential. At the same time, we want to ensure that one housing type is not moved forward at the expense of another housing type. Additionally, we want to avoid any unintended impacts on permanent supportive housing (PSH) as recovery-oriented housing is expanded during a period of federal funding uncertainty.

Congress recently passed legislation directing the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Continuum of Care (CoC) funding and establishing a minimum Tier 1 funding threshold of 60% in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). While this directive provides important clarity, it represents a significant reduction from the prior Tier 1 threshold of approximately 87% nationally. For San Francisco, this change could result in a loss of approximately \$22 million in permanent supportive housing funding. This potential reduction introduces substantial financial uncertainty and underscores the importance of preserving local flexibility to sustain and protect San Francisco's permanent supportive housing portfolio. It must also be said that housing first is a well-studied evidence-based practice that is essential to how we aim to tackle holes in the social safety

net in San Francisco. As stated earlier, we need every single tool available to us on the table, not less.

These drastic funding changes have been seen across the federal government. Most recently, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) abruptly ended \$2 billion for behavioral health programs and services. While that funding was reinstated, the reality for local governments is that haphazard and significant federal policy and budget changes create too much uncertainty to hamstring local dollars. We also cannot only depend on legal remedies for these issues as such can be a luck of the draw. Accordingly, we request changes in the Expanding Drug-Free Housing legislation to ensure San Francisco can use its resources effectively while moving recovery-oriented housing forward. We request these changes as amendments, which are described below.

1. Retitle drug-tolerant housing to low-barrier housing, drug-free housing to recovery-focused supportive housing, and recovery housing to recovery-focused transitional housing
2. Expand recovery-oriented housing by implementing two pilots for recovery-focused supportive housing and recovery-focused transitional housing;
3. Remove the total funding ban of low-barrier housing to allow local funding;
4. Ensure that no evictions are for recurrence of substance use.
5. Ensure that MAT/MOUD are all specifically permitted for use. Making sure to include these medications will help to ensure that people who are on their treatment journey will not be turned away.

We sincerely appreciate your consideration of these requests for the Expanding Drug-Free Housing ordinance. The changes asked for in item #1 are critical to ensuring that the language we use does not stand to create more stigma for housing that already exists. We believe that these provisions will allow San Francisco to better mitigate federal policy and funding shifts while locally advancing diverse housing options including recovery-oriented housing which we fully support. Together, we can continue increasing and improving our housing system where recovery-housing is expanded in San Francisco.

In community,

Treatment on Demand Coalition & Safer Inside Coaliton

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Lanier Coles



April 10, 2026

San Francisco Youth Commission  
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San Francisco, CA 94102-4532

**Re: File No. 251003 — Administrative Code Amendment: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing**

Honorable Chair and Members of the San Francisco Youth Commission,

Please accept this letter as formal public comment for the Commission’s next full meeting, which will revisit File No. 251003, an ordinance proposing amendments to the City’s Administrative Code regarding Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH).

We understand that this proposal is intended to address the serious drug crisis affecting San Francisco, and we also recognize that the ordinance excludes state funded PSH. However, as the state entity responsible for implementing Housing First, we offer this comment letter because Housing First is grossly mischaracterized in the findings of the local proposal.

Neither Housing First nor the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH) desires individuals or communities to suffer the very real costs of substance use. Our concern is not with the City’s goal of reducing harm, but with ensuring that policy decisions are grounded in accurate representations of evidence-based practice and the needs of the population served.

As the Executive Officer of Cal ICH, I offer the following comments to support accuracy in legislative findings and Housing First as an evidence-based practice, and ultimately, sound policy development.

**1. Section 12K.1 FINDINGS (b) inaccurately characterizes Housing First**

The findings state that California’s Housing First framework requires that “use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself, without other lease violations, is not a reason for eviction” and that services must be “informed by a harm reduction philosophy” (Sec. 12K.1(b)). While these quotations are accurate, the surrounding narrative implies that Housing First is synonymous with “drug tolerant” housing. It is not.

Housing First is an evidence-based practice focused on low-barrier entry and tenancy retention. It does not require permissive onsite drug environments, nor does it prohibit operators from



enforcing reasonable health and safety rules. The framing in the ordinance misrepresents the model and may lead to confusion about state requirements.

Because the findings section will guide future interpretation, it is important that it accurately reflects the intent and scope of Housing First as defined in California Welfare and Institutions Code § 8255.

## **2. Section 12K.1 (FINDINGS (b)) identifies provider level performance issues, not a failure of Housing First**

The proposed ordinance asserts that “the near universality of drug tolerant policies...fails to serve the needs of many PSH residents” (Sec. 12K.1(c)) and cites examples of police calls for service and overdose deaths in PSH.

These concerns are significant. However, they do not demonstrate that Housing First is ineffective. Instead, they may reflect:

- variation in provider capacity,
- insufficient clinical staffing,
- gaps in oversight, or
- mismatches between resident needs and available service models.

It is also important to recognize that PSH serves individuals and families experiencing homelessness who have qualifying disabling conditions, including serious mental illness, chronic physical health conditions, and substance use disorders. Many residents are medically fragile, aging, or have long histories of trauma. As a result, calls for service may include not only behavioral health related incidents but also medical emergencies, welfare checks, mobility related injuries, and other health related needs that reflect the vulnerability of the population rather than the effectiveness of the housing model.

## **3. Concerns regarding Sec. 12K.2 (DEFINITIONS, lines 16–19)**

The definition of Drug-Free PSH states that onsite illicit drug use “is grounds for eviction” (Sec. 12K.2, lines 16–19). The ordinance does not specify whether residents who relapse would be assisted in relocating to another PSH site or shelter, or whether they would simply be evicted without placement—potentially returning people to homelessness while in active relapse. Given that PSH eligibility requires disabling conditions, this omission raises significant concerns about resident safety and continuity of care of a vulnerable population.



Cal ICH encourages the Commission to ask the City to clarify:

- whether residents evicted for onsite use would be guaranteed alternative placement,
- how the City would prevent evictions directly into homelessness, and
- how relapse support would be operationalized for a population clinically expected to experience relapse.

#### **4. The ordinance presumes unmet resident preference before the required survey is conducted**

Section 12K.1(f) states that “the choices afforded to program participants are insufficiently prioritized in San Francisco’s current operation of PSH.” This conclusion is presented before the resident survey required under Section 12K.5 has been conducted.

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Cal ICH supports the use of resident preference data to inform system design. However, the findings should avoid presupposing the outcome of a survey that has not yet occurred.

#### **Conclusion**

Cal ICH appreciates the Youth Commission’s role in reviewing legislation that ultimately affects its community. To ensure accuracy and alignment with state law, we respectfully recommend that the Commission consider in its comments back to the City:

- correcting the characterization of Housing First to avoid conflating it with permissive drug use environments,
- distinguishing provider level operational challenges from the Housing First model itself,
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- seeking clarification on how evictions for onsite use would be handled for residents with disabling conditions, and
- avoiding assumptions about resident preference prior to completion of the required survey.



## California Interagency Council on Homelessness

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We remain available to provide technical assistance as the City continues to refine its PSH policies.

Sincerely,

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**If I wasn't housed first, I wouldn't be alive today. In 2021, I was housed at Kelly Cullen Community with a severe alcohol problem, and if it wasn't for the social workers Clair and Tommy Dean checking in on me, I would not have been found when I was already half-dead. If it wasn't for them then sending me to the hospital for a two-year fight for my life and helping me keep my housing, I wouldn't be alive today. The Sober First model forces folks to be sober, and people don't want to be sober unless they make the decision for themselves to be sober.**

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**As a “no-anything” type of person, I would prefer there to be no use of anything addictive, and no smoking, at my residence. However, this should not take away from the reality that in order to make a vast improvement on the streets, there should be far more housing for everyone, especially those abusing any substance and want housing. I also question the financial risk this legislation may pose to current Housing First buildings, potentially destabilizing these buildings and directly impacting tenants like me. I wholeheartedly approve of the language of the amended legislation. We should expand housing by adding a pilot program for sober housing. And, of primary importance, are the phrases of the last page that tenants should “feel safe in admitting that they relapsed and need help” because they are not afraid of eviction. My model or analogy for Housing First is that it is like the paramedic’s priority of stabilizing the patient. Then, we should focus on adding more supportive services; for example, in my ideal world, with all the open land and buildings at the Presidio and other locations, we would encourage and incentivize Housing First tenants to get off the concrete and onto land and into the woods, with fresh air.**

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April 20, 2026

Subject: MADAAD's Support for San Francisco's Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing Ordinance (File No. 251003)

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

We, the members of Mothers Against Drug Addiction & Deaths (MADAAD), write in strong support of the ordinance to expand Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco.

As Bay Area mothers of children who have struggled with addiction — some in recovery, some incarcerated, some homeless, and some whom we have lost — we are forever grateful to the frontline workers, doctors, nurses, and case managers who fight every day for those suffering on San Francisco's streets.

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April 22, 2026

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San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Re: Drug-Free Housing, File # 251003 — Position: Support

Dear Honorable Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

As someone who has studied addiction for over 35 years, served as the Senior Drug Policy Advisor in President Obama's White House, and currently volunteers in the Tenderloin, I am writing in support of this proposal to expand the availability of drug-free housing in San Francisco and to survey residents of publicly-supported housing on their housing preferences.

Housing First programs are important, particularly for people who suffer from serious mental illnesses such as schizophrenia. But a review of evidence by the National Academies of Science (<https://www.nationalacademies.org/projects/PGA-STS-15-01>) concluded they not reduce substance use which poses a challenge for people who are facing addiction.

In contrast, drug-free housing options particularly benefit people struggling with their use of methamphetamine, fentanyl, and other drugs. For example, a DePaul University study of individuals randomly assigned after addiction treatment either to Oxford House (a substance-free setting with a pro-recovery culture) or other forms of aftercare found that over the ensuing 2 years, Oxford House residents had double the rate of abstaining from substance use. and were 50% more likely to have a job.

Under current California law, it is unfortunately not legal to use state housing dollars to create drug-free housing options that would yield benefits like this. The only option San Francisco therefore has is what this proposal offers, namely using local funds

to support such therapeutic living environments. I believe that doing so will greatly aid people who are seeking recovery from addiction and I therefore respectfully urge you to support this proposal.

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*Keith Hayday*

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Supervisor Matt Dorsey  
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**Re: File 251003 – Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing – Oppose as Currently Written**

Dear Supervisor Dorsey,

The Tenant Associations Coalition of San Francisco (TAC) and its affiliated tenant associations write regarding your legislation, File 251003 – Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing.

TAC is a grassroots coalition dedicated to protecting and expanding the rights of tenants across San Francisco, with a particular focus on vulnerable residents in supportive housing, SROs, and affordable housing programs. We strongly support efforts to diversify the city's housing and service system so it can better meet the varied and complex needs of people experiencing homelessness and those living in permanent supportive housing.

The goal of expanding recovery-oriented and sober housing options is laudable. Recovery from substance use disorder is a deeply personal and often nonlinear journey, with many starts and stops. Many current supportive housing residents would benefit from enhanced recovery supports, and many others actively seek intentional, recovery-friendly environments—whether through sober living, scattered-site housing, or site-based supportive housing with strengthened services such as trauma-informed therapy, peer support, and relapse-prevention resources.

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Standard lease language already prohibits illegal activity on the premises. Illegal drug use, as well as smoking and drinking in common areas, is already banned in supportive housing. The legislation as drafted creates unnecessary confusion for providers and operators while adding layers of bureaucracy that could slow down housing production and limit innovation in service delivery.

We urge you to reconsider the approach in File 251003. True solutions require a balanced, evidence-based strategy that preserves tenant protections, maintains housing stability as a foundation for recovery, and allows providers the flexibility to tailor models to individual needs—rather than imposing a one-size-fits-all framework that could lead to increased evictions and further destabilization.

We remain committed to working collaboratively with you and other stakeholders to develop policies that genuinely expand housing choice, support recovery where desired, and uphold the rights and dignity of all San Francisco tenants.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss these concerns with you or your staff in greater detail. Sincerely,

Michael Nulty  
Program Director

Tenant Associations Coalition of San Francisco  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is **Megan**, I'm a District 1 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

Rather than prohibiting the use of funds for current models of permanent supportive housing (PSH), **the ordinance should be amended to create a pilot program for recovery housing.** This would encourage an exploration and evaluation of this model, without restricting funding or creating more barriers for PSH. The current waiver language would create another hurdle. A pilot program is proactive and will generate an additive model that creates more housing, rather than creating restrictions on desperately needed housing for people experiencing homelessness.

**The ordinance should also be amended to provide stronger eviction protections.** If a tenant is at risk of being evicted, the tenant should be allowed to stay in housing until they can move into alternative housing. This will avoid increasing homelessness and forcing someone struggling with drug use out onto the street. The language in the ordinance should be stronger to ensure these protections - not just a commitment, but a promise that someone will be placed into alternative housing.

We all want people to feel comfortable in their housing, and in order to make that happen, we need to be intentional in the creation of a new type of recovery housing. Tenants should feel that they made a voluntary choice to be there because they had other housing types and chose this option. Tenants should feel safe in admitting that they relapsed and need help because they are not afraid of ending up back on the street. Amending the ordinance will produce an effective type of recovery housing that could be helpful and life-changing for tenants and communities.

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Doreen Horstin

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To the Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of the San Francisco Public Defender's Office, I am writing to oppose and express concerns regarding **File #251003**, the ordinance to expand drug-free Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH). While our office supports the goal of diversifying our city's supportive housing stock, we believe the ordinance, as currently drafted, risks harming our most vulnerable residents by increasing eviction rates among people who most need stability.

From our experience representing housing-insecure and unhoused clients, we know that secure housing is essential for stability and safety. While we agree that San Francisco should offer varied housing options, we are concerned that this ordinance prioritizes strict compliance over long-term stability—a shift that could inadvertently lead to a cycle of displacement for individuals in the middle of their recovery journey.

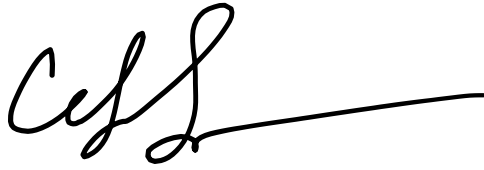
To mitigate these risks, we respectfully request that the ordinance be amended to provide **stronger, binding eviction protections**. If a tenant is at risk of losing their placement because they are still navigating their recovery, they must be allowed to remain in their unit until a move to an appropriate alternative placement is finalized. Currently, Section 12K.6.3b only "reaffirms a commitment to use best efforts" to provide alternative housing. This language offers no guarantee, leaving residents with the very real fear of returning to the streets. To be effective, the ordinance must move beyond a "commitment" and provide a **clear, binding guarantee of placement**. Research shows that homelessness exacerbates substance use disorders; we must ensure that an ordinance intended to support recovery does not instead drive people back into homelessness.

Our concerns are also rooted in the clinical reality of substance use disorder (SUD). As a chronic condition, intermittent use is often a part of the recovery process rather than a failure of treatment. It can take years of engagement to achieve sustained remission, and during that time, punitive measures like discharge and disconnection only increase the risk of overdose and incarceration. We must bear in mind that homelessness itself drives up rates of substance use disorders, which is not an outcome any of us wants.

Finally, we are concerned that this legislation risks creating confusion for supportive housing providers. Standard leases already prohibit illegal activity, as well as smoking and drinking in common areas; beyond these shared spaces, housing units are private, non-surveilled environments. We believe strongly that as a city, we need to increase the production of supportive and affordable housing, and we would not want to see our current or future pipeline impacted in a negative way.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CG', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Carolyn Goossen (she/her)  
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San Francisco Public Defender  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

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**I lived in a shelter for 2.5 years. When I was there, I shared space with drug users. People who find themselves at a shelter are already stressed, and the drugs help with coping. At the shelter, you often are not able to rest properly, which leads to more suffering. At the shelter I was at, when people struggling with their substance use asked for housing, they were told that they “actually don’t want housing.” I did not see this to be the case. Drug users were at the shelter specifically hoping for more permanent housing, but they were de-prioritized for housing; people with disabilities and the elderly who don’t struggle with their substance use were prioritized instead for placement into housing. I got housing after 1 year. However, for drug users and other folks, I think 5-7 years is typical. It makes a lot of sense for people struggling with their substance use to get housing because it is how they heal. With housing, you feel a sense of belonging and ownership of your own space in a way that helps you see a path towards better health, as you are able to take care of your body, shower more often, sleep, feed yourself better, and feel secure; you are treated as a normal part of society. The more help that drug users can get, the better. Instead, what we are seeing is that help for them is getting cut, which only leads to a steeper road for people to get off the streets and not struggle with their substance use. Further, with Sober Housing leading to evictions for drug use after people have already gotten the housing, this leads to more stress, since folks know how hard it is to get housing in the first place.**

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Sincerely,  
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**Tenants of Housing First in TNDC buildings let me know the importance of their housing, and I want to take this opportunity to urge you to listen deeply to them if, as a city, we want to solve problems. People had a *hard time* on the streets before getting housing due to the *stigma* against using substances to cope and the *hardship* of living without sleep and security. Often, my friends in Housing First LOST their "normal" housing first, which unmasked prior substance use problems or led to low-level crimes or mental health disturbances. So, could it be that Housing is what Heals? Instead of sending folks repeatedly to emergency rooms or jails, how about we provide housing? For residents, researchers, and practitioners like me, it's evident that Housing First heals, so this proposal will lead to more homelessness and substance use on the streets. Further, consider that for folks who DECIDE to get treatment and achieve sobriety, or have always been sober, they also want Housing First for themselves and their neighbors who are not sober. Despite the disturbances that those struggling with their substance use in Housing First may cause to their neighbors, these neighbors express that all folks have the right to stay, and that there is a need for more support for those that are struggling. For my friend with a former alcohol problem and my friend that uses tobacco, Housing First has saved their lives. The social workers and community support in their housing helped and continues to help. As another friend suggests, enhancing support may look like offering Housing First tenants access to Green Space to benefit folks mentally and spiritually, as many people may know firsthand from the pandemic. Finally, let's talk about forced sobriety, relapse, and eviction. Forced sobriety is already a tough spot, and with relapse being a PART of recovery, eviction should never be the response to relapse. Housing heals because it offers dignity, allowing folks to take care of their bodies, sleep, have security, shower more, and eat better. Also, when folks can take care of themselves, they feel normal and a sense of belonging; for as long as we live in a world that stigmatizes folks for having foundational needs, this sense of normality and belonging people get from Housing First is indispensable.**

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Sincerely,  
Kevin Liu

Dear Chair Dorsey and Members of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee,

My name is Curtis Bradford, and I am writing not from theory, ideology, or politics, but from lived experience.

I know what it means to struggle. I know what it means to lose my footing, to battle addiction, to live with shame, and to wonder whether life could ever become something steady, meaningful, and whole again. I also know what helped save me, and it was not rejection. It was not punishment. It was not being told I had to become perfect before I was worthy of safety.

What helped save my life was housing, stability, compassion, and the simple but profound truth that people need a safe place to land before they can truly begin to heal.

Supportive housing gave me that chance. Harm reduction gave me that chance. They created the space where recovery could become possible. They did not stand in the way of my recovery, they helped make it real.

Recovery is not something most people can build while being pushed from doorway to doorway, from shelter to street, from fear to fear. Recovery needs ground under it. It needs dignity. It needs consistency. It needs the kind of support that says, "You are still human, you are still valuable, and your life is still worth investing in, even now."

That approach saved me.

I was once homeless. I lived for many years in an SRO on disability. I know what it means to need affordable, supportive housing not as an abstract policy idea, but as a lifeline. Today, because people and systems did not give up on me, I have been clean and sober since January 10, 2011. Today I serve as Community Organizing Manager for a large Tenderloin CBO.. Today I help build resident leadership, community power, and civic participation in the Tenderloin and SoMa. Today I have a life filled with purpose, service, connection, and hope.

That life did not begin because someone demanded that I be fully healed before I could come inside. It began because I was allowed to survive long enough, safely enough, and with enough support, to find my way toward healing.

I support having recovery-focused housing options for people who want and need them. Choice matters. Sober housing has an important place in the continuum of care. But making sobriety a requirement for all new City-funded supportive housing is a dangerous mistake.

It misunderstands how recovery actually happens for many people. It turns housing from a platform for healing into a prize people must earn first. And for many of our most vulnerable neighbors, that will not lead to recovery, it will lead to more suffering, more instability, and more death.

The people I work with, and the community I come from, are not served by one-size-fits-all answers. People arrive with different histories, different traumas, different needs, and different stages of readiness. Real compassion means building a system large enough to hold that truth. Real public policy should widen the path to recovery, not narrow the doorway to housing.

I am living proof that supportive housing and harm reduction can save lives. I am living proof that a person's worst chapter does not have to be their final chapter. I am living proof that when we meet people with dignity instead of judgment, they can rise into lives of service, leadership, and love.

Please do not adopt a policy that would make it harder for people like me to get the foothold we need to survive and recover.

San Francisco should expand options, yes, including sober housing for those who want it, but it should not abandon the housing-first and harm-reduction principles that have helped so many people stay alive long enough to choose recovery.

My life is what can happen when the City chooses compassion over exclusion, support over stigma, and hope over fear.

Please reconsider File No. 251003 and work with community to draft amendments that really meet SF's residents' needs.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

**Curtis Bradford**

District 6 Resident

# DOCTORS AGAINST OVERDOSES

SAN FRANCISCO

April 21, 2026

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: *File #251003 - Position: Support* - Strong Support for Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing Legislation

Dear Members of the Board,

On behalf of Doctors Against Overdoses, I write to express our strong and unequivocal support for Supervisor Matt Dorsey's legislation to expand Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco.

This legislation addresses a fundamental gap in our current system—one that has real and measurable consequences. San Francisco's supportive housing model, while well-intentioned, has evolved into a system that offers too few viable options for individuals who are seeking recovery or who cannot stabilize in environments where ongoing illicit drug use is prevalent.

As a physician engaged in overdose prevention, I understand how profoundly environment influences outcomes. For many individuals, placement into settings where drug use is normalized is not simply suboptimal—it can actively undermine recovery, destabilize health, and increase the risk of overdose.

The absence of recovery-oriented housing options is not a neutral policy choice. It is a driver of continued instability and preventable harm.

Importantly, this legislation reflects a thoughtful and clinically grounded approach. It is not punitive. It explicitly recognizes that substance use disorder is a chronic,

relapsing condition, and includes safeguards such as support for relapse, the absence of automatic eviction for a single episode of use, and efforts to provide alternative housing when needed. It also requires the City to measure and respond to resident demand—an essential step in aligning policy with the needs of those it is intended to serve.

At the same time, available data underscores the urgency of expanding options. A substantial proportion of overdose deaths in San Francisco occur within Permanent Supportive Housing settings, highlighting that the current system is not adequately supporting all residents in achieving stability.

This legislation takes an important step toward correcting that imbalance by creating a voluntary, drug-free supportive housing option. It restores a basic principle that exists throughout the broader housing system: that individuals should be able to choose a residential environment that supports their safety, health, and personal goals.

We recognize and support the thoughtful concerns raised by the San Francisco Marin Medical Society (SFMMMS). These concerns are not in opposition to this legislation—they are essential to its success. Implementation must ensure continuity of care, protection of medication-assisted treatment, and safe, structured transitions between housing settings.

From an overdose prevention perspective, expanding recovery-oriented housing options is not optional—it is necessary. Drug-free PSH should exist as part of a coordinated continuum of care that includes harm reduction, medical treatment, and other housing models. A single-model system cannot meet the complexity of substance use disorder.

San Francisco is confronting a public health crisis defined by overdose, instability, and fragmentation of care. Continuing to rely on a one-size-fits-all approach will not produce different results.

This legislation introduces needed balance, restores meaningful choice, and aligns housing policy more closely with clinical reality.

For these reasons, Doctors Against Overdoses strongly supports its passage.

Respectfully,

Laurence Wiener, MD  
Founder, Doctors Against Overdoses  
San Francisco

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Please vote yes on this ordinance.

Sincerely,

David Crane

94115

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Sincerely,

Maya Hovey

94109

**From:** [Chirag Bhakta](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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BOS Supervisors & Legislative Aides Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

Chirag Bhakta  
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In solidarity with the people you oppress,

Jennifer Hausler

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Sincerely,

David Troup

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Sherial Heller

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Karla Devine

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Sincerely,

Jeri Pliner

94122

**From:** [Blueprint SF](#)  
**To:** [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [blueprint@sfbblueprint.org](mailto:blueprint@sfbblueprint.org)  
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Patrick Cross

94116

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Herbert Stackhouse

94134

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JAMES HIRSCH

94108

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Sincerely,

Clifton Coleman

94103

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Sincerely,

Michael Eisler

94118

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Sincerely,

JEFFREY NIGH

94127

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Sincerely,

David Nolley

94122

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Sincerely,

Arlo Smith

94930

**From:** [Deirdre White](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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BOS Supervisors & Legislative Aides Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Supervisor Shamann Walton,

I urge you to vote no on the Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing ordinance (File No. 251003). This ordinance is being presented as an expansion of sober housing, a goal that San Franciscans across the political spectrum share. But it does not simply create a sober housing option. It prohibits city funding for any new Permanent Supportive Housing that does not adopt a sobriety-conditioned model, effectively blocking the creation of housing that keeps people off the streets. Sober housing can and should be expanded without restricting the Permanent Supportive Housing pipeline. This ordinance does the opposite, and it will leave people homeless.

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

Sincerely,  
Deirdre White

Deirdre White  
deidrewhite@hotmail.com  
2414 24th street  
San Francisco, California 94110

**From:** [Blueprint SF](#)  
**To:** [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [blueprint@sfbblueprint.org](mailto:blueprint@sfbblueprint.org)  
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Sincerely,

Karen Schwartz

94114

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Linda Radler

94122

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Sincerely,

Nicole Flowers

94109

**From:** [Sarah Wilson](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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Sarah Wilson  
sarahewilson@gmail.com  
285 London St Apt 2  
San Francisco, California 94112

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Han Myoung Park

94103

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Please vote yes on this ordinance.

Sincerely,

Michael Barker

94123

**From:** [Ken Tray](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026 10:12:47 PM

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BOS Supervisors & Legislative Aides Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I urge you to vote no on the Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing ordinance (File No. 251003). This ordinance is being presented as an expansion of sober housing, a goal that San Franciscans across the political spectrum share. But it does not simply create a sober housing option. It prohibits city funding for any new Permanent Supportive Housing that does not adopt a sobriety-conditioned model, effectively blocking the creation of housing that keeps people off the streets. Sober housing can and should be expanded without restricting the Permanent Supportive Housing pipeline. This ordinance does the opposite, and it will leave people homeless.

This ordinance undermines Housing First, the evidence-based model that California has established as its standard for addressing homelessness. Housing First works because it treats stable housing as the foundation for recovery. A study of over 6,500 people across 86 California programs found that those with high fidelity to Housing First principles reduced days spent homeless by 87%, compared to just 34% in programs that deviated from the model. In San Francisco, 97% of PSH residents remain successfully housed. This ordinance moves the city away from a framework with a proven track record.

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

Ken Tray  
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40 Virginia Ave  
San Francisco, California 94110

**From:** [Blueprint SF](#)  
**To:** [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [blueprint@sfbblueprint.org](mailto:blueprint@sfbblueprint.org)  
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Sincerely,

Elmira Tap

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**To:** [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [blueprint@sfbblueprint.org](mailto:blueprint@sfbblueprint.org)  
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Sincerely,

Robert Rutkowski

66605

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Sincerely,

Steve Dalton

94102

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Sincerely,

Emanuel Langit

94121

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Sincerely,

Jennifer Stanley

94117

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Sincerely,

Scott Jacques

94121

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Sincerely,

Ditka Reiner

94109

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Sincerely,

Brian Hill

94114

**From:** [Blueprint SF](#)  
**To:** [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [blueprint@sfbblueprint.org](mailto:blueprint@sfbblueprint.org)  
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Sincerely,

Karen Breslin

94127

**From:** [Matthew Denney](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026 11:30:21 AM

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BOS Supervisors & Legislative Aides Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

For over three years, I worked as an attorney for the Homeless Action Center of Alameda County, helping vulnerable populations to access public benefits.

From this experience, I urge you to vote no on the Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing ordinance (File No. 251003). This ordinance is being presented as an expansion of sober housing, a goal that San Franciscans across the political spectrum share. But it does not simply create a sober housing option. It prohibits city funding for any new Permanent Supportive Housing that does not adopt a sobriety-conditioned model, effectively blocking the creation of housing that keeps people off the streets. Sober housing can and should be expanded without restricting the Permanent Supportive Housing pipeline. This ordinance does the opposite, and it will leave people homeless.

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

Matthew Denney  
matthewsdenney@gmail.com  
1091 Bush St Apt 403  
San Francisco, California 94109-6215

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Sincerely,

GLENN SAVAGE

94105

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Sincerely,

Phyllis Ball

94114

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John Owl

94102

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Sincerely,

Thomas Nieland

78516

**From:** [Blueprint SF](#)  
**To:** [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [blueprint@sfbblueprint.org](mailto:blueprint@sfbblueprint.org)  
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Michel Suas

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Edward Sullivan

94116

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Sincerely,

Jim Warshell

94102

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**To:** [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [blueprint@sfbblueprint.org](mailto:blueprint@sfbblueprint.org)  
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Sincerely,

Henry Karnilowicz

94114

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Sincerely,

Jane Weil

94103

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Sincerely,

Christian Simonetti

94102

**From:** [James Galus](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026 6:24:37 AM

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BOS Supervisors & Legislative Aides Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

James Galus  
jameshalus@gmail.com  
134 Kingston street  
San Francisco , California 94110

**From:** [Traci Mysliwiec](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026 7:07:25 AM

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Traci Mysliwec  
tracimysliwec@gmail.com  
2528 Folsom St  
San Francisco, California 94110

**From:** [Ocean Coast](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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Ocean Coast

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22 S Park St Apt 208

San Francisco, California 94107

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Sincerely,

Will Chang

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Sincerely,

Julien DeFrance

94109

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Sincerely,

Russell Davis

94127

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Sincerely,

Paul McLain-Lugowski

94111

**From:** [Shanti Singh](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote NO: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 28, 2026 2:41:50 PM

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BOS Supervisors & Legislative Aides Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

As a constituent and tenant advocate deeply personally impacted by familial substance abuse, I urge you to vote NO on the Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing ordinance (File No. 251003). I cannot emphasize enough that this is the kind of policy that would have left my own loved ones homeless and resourceless, and blocked their path to recovery had they been subject to it.

This ordinance is being presented as an expansion of sober housing, a goal that San Franciscans across the political spectrum share. Sober housing has impacted my family's lives in a positive way at critical moments of crisis. This is not a hypothetical for me.

But this proposal does not simply create a sober housing option. It prohibits city funding for any new Permanent Supportive Housing that does not adopt a sobriety-conditioned model, effectively blocking the creation of housing that keeps people off the streets. Sober housing can and should be expanded without restricting the Permanent Supportive Housing pipeline. This ordinance does the opposite, and it will leave people homeless.

There is a reason that San Francisco housing advocates who normally find each other on opposing sides of many issues are in agreement over the harm that this bill will cause to tenants in recovery and to the construction of permanently supportive housing in future. When we are stretching every dollar of scarce public investment we have toward our housing goals, we should not be making PSH harder to build.

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homelessness, relapse, and possibly death.

PSH operators in San Francisco already evict tenants with extraordinary regularity and without meaningful accountability. Substance use that causes disruptive behavior is already grounds for for-cause eviction and lease enforcement.

This ordinance does not solve a gap in the system but will exacerbate its failures at considerable taxpayer expense. I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Edward Parillon](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 28, 2026 7:17:29 PM

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BOS Supervisors & Legislative Aides Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I have worked in affordable housing for over 10 years, including multiple supportive housing projects. Like many in my field, I have spent time looking at the data, and I've spent time working with staff at supportive housing buildings. I am not going to argue that the model is perfect, and I won't argue that there is no room for sober housing at all. But the data is *\*extremely clear\**. Requiring affordable housing to evict residents for drug use will literally kill people. Supervisor Dorsey loves to say that 30% of overdoses take place in supportive housing. Where do the other 70% take place? The streets, where his policies will send many, many people.

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Nato Green](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [Mark Hogan](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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As an architect who has worked on supportive housing and transitional housing within the City of San Francisco I can see how desperately needed it is, especially now with so many cuts at the national level. While I understand the desire to provide sober options for some individuals this is an extremely misguided policy.

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Stephen Woods](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [scott satterthwaite](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Zack Segall](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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San Francisco, California 94110

**From:** [Cindy Changar](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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San francisco, California 94124

**From:** [Alex Lantsberg](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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Sincerely, Noah

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**From:** [Brittany Hewett](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 28, 2026 11:34:38 PM

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**From:** [Stephen Martin-Pinto](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Supporting Drug Free Housing  
**Date:** Sunday, April 26, 2026 5:25:27 PM

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## Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

**From your constituent** Stephen Martin-Pinto

**Email** [stephen@stephenmartinpinto.com](mailto:stephen@stephenmartinpinto.com)

**Subject** Supporting Drug Free Housing

**Message:** Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

I am writing to express my strong support for Supervisor Matt Dorsey's legislation to expand the availability of drug-free and recovery-oriented Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco.

For too long, our city's approach to supportive housing has overlooked a vital segment of the unhoused population: those who are actively seeking or maintaining sobriety. Under the current "Housing First" framework, individuals in early recovery are frequently placed in environments where they are surrounded by the very substances and behaviors they are trying to escape. This lack of choice isn't just a policy gap, it is a barrier to life-saving recovery.

I support this legislation because:

**Safety and Choice:** Residents deserve the right to choose a living environment that supports their health goals. For many, a "drug-tolerant" building is not a bridge to stability, but a trigger for relapse.

**Effective Use of Resources:** By utilizing Prop 1 bond funds and other state resources specifically intended for recovery housing, we can expand our housing portfolio without taking away from existing "Housing First" programs.

Addressing the Overdose Crisis: With overdose deaths reaching record highs, we must provide every possible tool for long-term remission. Sober living environments are a proven component of successful recovery.

We cannot continue to offer a "one-size-fits-all" model for supportive housing. I urge you to vote YES on this ordinance to ensure that San Francisco provides a diverse range of housing options that honor and protect the hard work of recovery.

Thank you.

Stephen Martin-Pinto

**From:** [Lisa King](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Monday, April 27, 2026 10:27:00 AM

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Maxine Doogan](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [sara foster](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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**From:** [Larissa Petrucci](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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**From:** [Jennifer Keith](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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San Francisco , California 94110

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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [Matthew Schaefer](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [Shannon Perry](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Jonathan Custodio](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 1:58:31 PM

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174 Lowell Street  
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**From:** [Monica Berini](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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651A Morse  
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**From:** [Don Ino](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Alexander Turley](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Young Kim](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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307 Detroit Street  
San Francisco, California 94131

**From:** [Brynne Burns](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [Kristin Tieche](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [David Stuart Stoller](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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bowmen.obscure\_0e@icloud.com  
811 Geary Street , Number 504  
San Francisco, California 94109

**From:** [Rhona Mahony](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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I am a San Francisco voter, living in District .

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San Francisco, 94114

**From:** [Jacob Zwiebach](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [brandon kayes](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [Dave McMahon](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [Starley Shade](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Maya Woods-Arthur](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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**From:** [Benjamin Pankow](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Science says Housing First works - vote NO to expand Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 3:26:28 PM

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Dear Supervisor,

My name is Ben Pankow - I'm a San Francisco resident urging you to vote no on the ordinance "Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing." Permanent Supportive Housing is a core tenet of the evidence-backed "Housing First" approach to solving our homelessness and addiction crisis, and while affording the option for candidates to live in a sober environment is laudable, preventing building new PSH which does not mandate sobriety is counter effective and threatens to cut off the critical PSH pipeline.

To be clear - this policy will lead to more, not fewer, homeless San Franciscans. In San Francisco, 97% of PSH residents have stayed in their housing. Many of these residents are in the process of kicking addiction, but the stability offered by the PSH program enables them to get back on their feet and restore stability to their lives. The ordinance you are being asked to vote on will mandate that new PSH evict residents who use drugs, cutting short the stability they rely on.

Sober housing can and should be expanded without this unnecessary restriction on new PSH. Several PSH sites have enacted policies such as Episcopal Community Services' Narcan floor captain program that meaningfully reduce overdoses and keep residents safe. Rather than try to improve the PSH system, a lifeline for hundreds in our city, this ordinance cuts it off wholesale.

I ask you to vote no on this upcoming ordinance. Thank you for your time.

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**From:** [Erica Junghans](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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**From:** [Nathan Peers](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [regina.islas](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 5:04:04 PM

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I urge your no vote on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Jotform](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [info@drugfreesidewalks.org](mailto:info@drugfreesidewalks.org)  
**Subject:** Re: Support Drug-Free Housing Ordinance (File #251003) - Afshan Khan  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 7:38:24 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to express my support for expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH). Data from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner highlights the need for improvements in our housing policy - between June 2024 and July 2025, 26% of overdose deaths occurred in PSH, a higher percentage than in shelters, hospitals, private homes, or on the street.

Today, under California's Housing First law, state funds are prohibited from being used for drug-free housing. San Francisco funds are not subject to the same law, however San Francisco voluntarily decided to follow suit. As a result, if a family or an individual living deeply below the poverty line qualifies for permanent supportive housing, almost 100% of these units allow illicit drug use. A single PSH building averages two calls per day to the police. This is a tough environment for a person in recovery, much less a child.

We have nearly 10,000 site-based PSH units and their status as drug-tolerant will not change under this ordinance. But we can change future permanent supportive housing funded by the city to be drug-free so that people have options.

The last thing I want to see is an increase in the number of people living on the streets. The good news is that this ordinance has been written so that people who have a single relapse are not automatically evicted, instead they will be offered relapse services. And, if a person's behavior continues to substantially disrupt their building, the City will seek to find the person housing that is appropriate for their situation.

The number of overdose deaths barely budged between 2024 and 2025 in San Francisco. It's time to expand our housing solutions and it starts by allowing drug-free housing options.

Thank you.  
Afshan Khan

**From:** [Ian Ward Comfort](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 11:07:20 PM

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Dear supervisors, please vote NO on the Expanding Drug-Free PSH ordinance. Struggling San Franciscans need shelter before they need a paternalistic government agency scrutinizing their habits—to ensure they aren't using analgesic or recreational substances fully permitted in the wealthier parts of town. NO on File No. 251003!

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**From:** [Michael S](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Friday, April 24, 2026 3:08:26 AM

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Dear Supervisor,

Attached is a copy of our letter regarding File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing, as well as the redline that the All Housing is Recovery Housing Coalition sent earlier.

We support recovery housing, and many of our members would benefit from this form of housing.

There are some slight modifications that the legislation needs to ensure success. Supportive housing providers and tenants, addiction experts have come to together not to kill this legislation but to collaborate to improve outcomes. Expertise and experience should matter- this is not about ideology, it is about positive results.

The amendments are quite reasonable:

- 1) **Don't evict for return to use.** The current language suggests an offer of alternative placement but does not require it, and refers to evicting for drug use. Instead have strong language that requires providers to allow tenants to transfer to other housing or allow folks to enter treatment and return. Recovery is a process and the expectation is that many people will return to use many times. Don't throw them out, that will only result in increased public drug use. Having evictions on individuals records is a huge barrier to ever being housed again, thus exacerbating homelessness. Eviction is a risk that will prevent tenants from being honest about their use with case workers and clinicians, and will discourage people from entering this type of housing.
- 2) **Don't ban funding for other forms of housing.** The language as written will negatively impact projects in the pipeline, and the ability to backfill federal reductions. It will add red tape for other forms of housing needed such as mental health focused housing, workforce housing and so forth. Rather than prohibiting the use of funds for current models of permanent supportive housing (PSH), **the ordinance should be amended to create a pilot program for recovery housing.** This would encourage an exploration and evaluation of this model, without restricting funding or creating more barriers for PSH. The current waiver language would create another hurdle. A pilot program is proactive and will generate an additive model that creates more housing, rather than creating restrictions on desperately needed housing for people experiencing homelessness. There may be other ways to achieve this goal, but the idea is to have legislation that proactively creates sober housing without hurting other models or restricting flexibility needed to address housing needs.

By working collaboratively, outcomes can be greatly improved, and good sound policy can be achieved. We hope you will support these modest amendments.

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## COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS

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December 12, 2025

Supervisor Matt Dorsey  
Chair, Public Safety Committee  
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Re: 251003- Expanding Drug Free Permanent Supportive Housing – Oppose as currently written

Dear Supervisor Dorsey,

This letter is in regards to your legislation, file 251003- Expanding Drug Free Permanent Supportive Housing. The Coalition on Homelessness organizes homeless people to create permanent solutions to homelessness while protecting the human rights of those forced to remain on the streets. We fully support attempts to diversify the system to meet the varied needs of our unhoused community members. The push to have more recovery housing options is laudable, as recovering from an addiction disorder is commonly a difficult and individually unique journey with many starts and stops. There are many people living in Supportive Housing that would benefit from recovery support, and many more who are seeking both housing and recovery and would like intentional housing options that are recovery friendly, such as sober living, scattered site housing or site based supportive housing with enhanced recovery services such as trauma therapy. Unfortunately, this legislation misses the mark and will not achieve that, instead pitting models against each other and hampering the flexibility the city needs to create as many forms of housing as possible.

Standard language in leases is the prohibition of illegal activity already, so the legislation creates confusion for supportive housing providers. Illegal drug use, smoking and drinking in common areas are already prohibited. Meanwhile, the inside of

housing units is private and not surveilled.

PSH is neither drug tolerant nor drug free, it is designed to be low barrier so all unhoused people who may need additional support due to health and behavioral health issues can thrive and the basic dignity of a home. The third category, Supportive Recovery, would not evict for drug use, and would have enhanced recovery services, following Housing First guidelines and could be created without the need for legislation.

The legal text creates new categories of supportive housing, using stigmatizing language. Stigma acts as a deterrent to seeking help for drug addiction and increases overdose rates.

#### Negatively Impact Pipeline and Ability to Backfill Federal Funding Losses

This legislation would negatively impact housing in the pipeline by putting confusing requirements on it. All homeless housing has braided funding - no PSH site-based buildings are from a single source of funds, but from various state, federal and local sources. The bill would impact locally funded strands, thus potentially negatively impacting the entire project.

In addition, we are set to lose federal funding for housing, with the potential loss of HUD and other housing resources. This legislation will create a complication in utilizing new funding to backfill the potential losses, as well as DSHS is about to issue new contracts for all homeless housing projects. It is unclear if this will be considered new funding and may negatively impact flexibility in this process.

#### System is short beds and units in every category

The legislation only calls for an expansion of “drug free supportive housing” and “supportive recovery” housing, without recognizing the fact that thousands of households are on the waitlist for and in need of PSH.

Ninety-seven percent of Permanent Supportive Housing residents are successfully housed. It is not designed for all homeless people; some unhoused people may need more support, for example someone with dementia may need board and care, while a working homeless person may just need a housing subsidy for extremely low-income housing. However, we simply do not have enough PSH to meet the specific category of unhoused people who need it and are many thousand units short.

Adding “supportive recovery housing”, typically called “step down” housing or “sober living” to our continuum *is needed*. We have both sober living buildings that are publicly and privately funded in San Francisco, but we are far short of meeting the need. Many individuals graduate from treatment programs onto the streets. We also need more PSH and we need more treatment, and we need more step-down housing. We also need housing tailored to higher acuties such as Board and Cares, and Co-ops. The different

models should not be pitted against each other, and this legislation does just that by calling for one, without recognizing the need for more of the other.

#### Impact on family and domestic violence

The legislation does not address families with children who have a parent who experiences a recurrence of use, likely putting the whole family in eviction proceedings, involvement with Child Protective Services, and loss of home.

#### Driving up Homelessness

The legislation calls for support to move out under recovery housing, but does not detail how that would work. It calls for evictions under Sober housing which will simply drive up street homelessness, and thus increase acuity related to addiction disorders. Homelessness drives up rates of substance use disorders.

Substance Use Disorder (SUD) is a chronic, treatable condition, and continued or intermittent use of drugs is part of the reality of the disorder. National data show that recurrence of use is often part of the recovery journey, and not a failure of treatment. It can take years and multiple engagements in treatment to achieve sustained remission; risk for meeting SUD criteria can remain elevated for several more years after that. Shame, discharge, and disconnection increase risk for overdose, incarceration, and disengagement from care.

#### Legal and Operational Issues

The legislation creates legal and practical issues with evicting people for what they are doing in the privacy of their own homes. The system has been set up to address that by having long-term one- to two-year step-down or recovery housing programs where people are living independently but within an accountable and supportive recovery community. This form of housing certainly needs expanding but does not need to do so at expense of PSH. Both are needed.

#### Omits Alcoholism

The legislation strangely omits alcohol in the recovery housing model. Alcoholism is not only the most common form of addiction, it is also intertwined with other forms of substance addiction, as many individuals with SUDs are poly substance users. Good recovery programs are comprehensive in their approach, looking at all forms of harm associated with substance use but also underlying issues driving the addiction.

#### Conflates Substance Use with Addictive Disorders

The legislation is also misguided in that it conflates all substance use with addictive disorders. Many substance users are casual users and do not suffer from addiction. Addiction is a medical diagnosis that can require medically assisted treatment, and/or other forms of treatment. It is not a good use of city dollars to set up a program for people suffering from an SUD, serving people who do not have a diagnosable SUD, given the scarce resources available to treat SUD.

#### No Sunset Date

The legislation has no sunset date, so when needs change, this legislation will remain banning the expansion of the very successful Permanent Supportive Housing model. Program design through legislation is problematic because program design is meant to be nimble responding to changing needs and landscapes.

#### Fails to Include Overdose Prevention Strategies

The legislation attacks PSH for the high number of fatal overdoses but does nothing to ensure prevention of overdoses in these same programs that disproportionately serve individuals with SUDs. There is no requirement for overdose training, emergency call buttons, naloxone distribution, buddy systems, or any other proven effective intervention.

#### Data gathering post passage

The legislation requires a survey that would take place after legislation is passed not before. It also can prove to be biased if it is surveying PSH tenants without recovery needs about the recovery needs of others.

#### Fails to take into account what formerly homeless people in recovery are calling for

Many people in recovery are getting on with their lives but may still need a housing subsidy given the high cost of rents. They would like to access scattered site housing, or they are in supportive housing and would like to get a “moving-on” subsidy to move into the private market. This allows people the flexibility to live in areas outside of the central city and move away from places where they used substances in the past, but allow them to stay in San Francisco. In addition, the existing supportive housing programs need richer services as the acuties of tenants have sharply risen, including those with dual disorders. The legislation fails to identify this large need.

While we have many critiques, we believe this legislation can be amended to resolve most of these issues. We will be providing suggestions for these changes throughout the legislative process and look forward to working collaboratively with your office. Only by working together can we solve these pressing issues.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JFR', written in a cursive style.

Jennifer Friedenbach  
Executive Director

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[Administrative Code - Expanding ~~Drug-Free~~Recovery-Oriented Permanent Supportive Housing]

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Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based-Recovery-Oriented Permanent Supportive Housing (“PSH”) ~~that prohibits on-site illicit drug use among residents (“Drug-FreeRecovery-Oriented PSH”)~~ to meet the demand of people experiencing homelessness who prefer such a residential option; ~~bar the City from funding new Site-Based PSH for people experiencing homelessness that prohibits evictions on the basis of drug use alone (“Drug-TolerantLow-barrier PSH”), starting with the creation of a pilot recovery oriented model,~~ except where operation of the housing as ~~Drug-FreeRecovery-Oriented~~ PSH would conflict with standards imposed by law or by a condition of other funding, or the Board of Supervisors has waived the funding prohibition based on specific findings; and require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”) to survey residents of Site-Based PSH with Substance Use Disorders to assess their interest in living in either ~~Drug-TolerantLow-barrier~~ PSH or ~~Drug-FreeRecovery-Oriented~~ PSH and report on the survey findings and HSH’s strategies to meet PSH residents’ demands.

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Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 12K, consisting of Sections 12K.1 through 12K.7, to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 12K: PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING; ~~RECOVERY-ORIENTED~~**  
**~~DRUG-FREE~~RECOVERY-ORIENTED PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PILOT**

**SEC. 12K.1. FINDINGS.**

*(a) Permanent Supportive Housing (“PSH”) plays a significant role in San Francisco’s response to homelessness by combining affordable housing assistance with voluntary support services intended to address the myriad needs of chronically homeless people, including families with children, seniors, and persons with chronic disabilities. These support services are intended to build independent living and tenancy skills, and connect people with community-based health care, treatment, and employment services.*

*(b) With few exceptions, San Francisco’s PSH sites currently adhere to the ~~drug-tolerant~~low-barrier policies reflected in California’s current implementation of the “Core Components of Housing First,” as set forth in California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 8255. These policies apply to state-funded PSH, and provide that “use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself, without other lease violations, is not a reason for eviction,” and that supportive services must be “informed by a harm-reduction philosophy that recognizes drug and alcohol use and addiction as a part of tenants’ lives.”*

1 Some – but not all – of San Francisco’s PSH is state-funded, and subject to the state’s current Housing  
2 First mandates. To the extent locally funded PSH in San Francisco adheres to ~~drug-tolerant/low-barrier~~  
3 provisions, however, it does so as a voluntary policy choice subject to revision by the Board of  
4 Supervisors.

5 (c) The near universality of ~~drug-tolerant/low-barrier~~ policies in San Francisco’s PSH portfolio  
6 fails to –serve the needs of many PSH residents seeking to stabilize their lives as they exit  
7 homelessness. This is especially true for those residents who are in recovery or seeking to recover  
8 from substance use disorders (“SUDs”), but it is similarly true for those supportive housing residents  
9 not in recovery who would prefer to avoid the myriad harms and risks associated with living in a  
10 residential community where the use of illicit drugs is expressly tolerated.

11 (d) Moreover, many of the externalities that arise from residents’ illicit drug use overburden  
12 the City’s public health and public safety resources because of elevated acuity and drug-related  
13 behavioral health challenges, diminishing San Franciscans’ confidence in their city government’s  
14 response to homelessness overall. ~~According to data from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner,~~  
15 ~~between June 2024 and July 2025, 26% of overdose deaths occurred in PSH, a higher percentage than~~  
16 ~~in shelters, hospitals, private homes, or on the street. Drug-related behaviors and associated~~  
17 ~~lawlessness lead to public nuisances that routinely rob law-abiding PSH residents and neighbors of the~~  
18 ~~quiet enjoyment of their own residences and neighborhoods. Just one PSH facility alone generated 654~~  
19 ~~police calls for service in a single year — averaging nearly two calls per day. A sample of 15 PSH sites~~  
20 ~~showed 5,872 police calls for service during that same time frame.~~

21 (e) ~~Drug-Free Recovery-Oriented~~ PSH operates as a residential community free of illicit drug  
22 and alcohol use, avoiding the multitude of negative externalities of illicit drugs and alcohol that bedevil

1 many ~~Drug-Tolerant~~Low-barrier PSH sites in San Francisco. As compared to ~~Drug-Tolerant~~Low-  
2 barrier PSH, ~~drug-free~~Recovery-Oriented housing options would also better support individuals exiting  
3 homelessness who are in recovery from addiction or alcoholism as well as those at elevated risks to  
4 develop SUDs. The 2025 Homelessness Needs Assessment, published by the Our City, Our Home  
5 Oversight Committee in accordance with ~~Business~~ and Tax Regulations Code Section 2810(e)(2)(B),  
6 reported that 53% of single adults and 28% of families served through HSH’s housing programs had  
7 substance use or mental health disorders.

8 (f) As of March 2026, the choices afforded to program participants are insufficiently prioritized  
9 in San Francisco’s current operation of PSH. More ~~Drug-Free~~Recovery-Oriented PSH options would  
10 add an important new choice for PSH residents exiting ~~homelessness~~. and would broaden the City’s  
11 array of evidence-based solutions to more effectively address homelessness and substance use  
12 disorders that are so visible on City streets. By removing barriers to ~~drug-free~~Recovery-Oriented  
13 options for formerly unhoused persons and honoring the choice of some PSH residents who would  
14 prefer to live in a ~~drug-free~~Recovery-Oriented residential community, the policies advanced in this  
15 Chapter 12K would better serve many PSH residents, who include families with children, seniors, and  
16 individuals at all stages of recovery from SUDs and at heightened risk of suffering harms associated  
17 with illicit drug use.

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19 **SEC. 12K.2. DEFINITIONS.**

20 For purposes of this Chapter 12K, the following definitions apply:

21 “City” means the City and County of San Francisco.

22 “~~Drug-Free~~Recovery-Oriented Permanent Supportive Housing” or “~~Drug-Free~~Recovery-Oriented  
PSH” means ~~Site-Based~~ PSH where on-site illicit drug use is prohibited and is grounds for

1 eviction that provides an intentional substance free community. ~~Provided that~~ participation in  
2 Medication-Assisted-Treatment, administered by a licensed healthcare provider in accordance with  
3 applicable laws and medical guidance, shall not be deemed illicit drug use or a recurrence of use and  
4 shall not be used as a basis for denial of housing, eviction, or other adverse treatment. —This form of  
5 housing adheres to housing first guidelines for recovery housing outlined by the California Interagency  
6 Council on Homelessness. Individuals seeking to recover from a Substance Use Disorder coming out  
7 of homelessness or transferring from other PSH shall be prioritized.

8 ~~“Drug-Tolerant~~Low-barrier Permanent Supportive Housing” or ~~“Drug-Tolerant~~Low-barrier  
9 PSH” means Site-Based PSH where the use of illicit drugs, without any other lease violation, is not a  
10 basis for eviction, and applicants are accepted regardless of their sobriety or use of substances,  
11 completion of treatment, or participation in recovery services.

12 “Illicit drug use” means the use of a controlled or regulated substance in a manner that is  
13 unlawful under state or federal law, including use without a valid prescription or outside the scope of  
14 lawful medical or other legally permitted use, regardless of whether the substance itself may be  
15 lawfully possessed or used under other circumstances.

16 “PSH Resident Survey” means the survey described in Section 12K.5.

17 “Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing” or “Site-Based PSH” means subsidized rental  
18 housing where 100% of the units are for individuals and households with a history of homelessness, in  
19 a building that is owned or master leased by the City or a non-profit organization funded by the City,  
20 that imposes no time limit on occupancy, and provides supportive services to help residents maintain  
21 housing.

22 “Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing Portfolio” means the total number of Site-Based  
23 PSH units that are operated or funded by the City at a given time.

**SEC. 12K.3. DECLARATION OF POLICY.**

1           It shall be City policy to expand the availability of ~~Drug-Free~~Recovery-Oriented PSH to meet  
2 the demand from individuals in need of ~~Site-Based~~ PSH who prefer that option as an alternative to  
3 ~~Drug-Tolerant~~Low-barrier PSH. The goal of this policy is to promote long-term housing stability and  
4 minimize returns to homelessness. This policy shall be implemented in a manner that supports  
5 evidence-based treatment for substance use disorders, including Medication-Assisted Treatment when  
6 precribed, and shall prohibit discrimination against individuals participating in such treatment.

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8           **SEC. 12K.4. ESTABLISHMENT OF RECOVERY-ORIENTED USE OF CITY FUNDS**  
9 **FOR DRUG-TOLERANT PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PILOT PROHIBITED**  
10 **EXCEPT WHERE ~~DRUG-FREE~~RECOVERY-ORIENTED HOUSING MODEL CONFLICTS**  
11 **WITH LAW OR FUNDING CONDITION.**

12           (a) Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, the Department of  
13 Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”), through grant agreements with eligible non-profit  
14 organizations, shall establish and operate a pilot of SSH to Recovery-Oriented housing. In establishing  
15 the Pilot Program, HSH shall collaborate with the Department of Public Health and such other  
16 departments, offices and commission as may be necessary or appropriate for successful implementation  
17 of the Pilot Programs. Except as stated in subsections (c) and (d) of this Section 12K.4, the City shall  
18 not expend funds for any contract, grant agreement, or loan agreement to increase the City’s Site-  
19 Based Permanent Supportive Housing Portfolio unless the contract, grant agreement, or loan  
20 agreement would exclusively fund Drug-Free PSH.

21           (b) The prohibition set forth in subsection (a) includes, but is not limited to: (1) entering into a  
22 grant agreement to fund an organization to provide services or operations for new Drug-Tolerant PSH.

1 ~~(2) entering into a grant agreement to subsidize operations and/or rents for new Drug Tolerant PSH,~~  
2 ~~and (3) entering into a loan agreement for the development and construction of any new Drug Tolerant~~  
3 ~~PSH.~~

4 ~~(c) The prohibition set forth in subsection (a) shall not apply to any contract, grant agreement,~~  
5 ~~or loan agreement for Site-Based PSH where operation of such Site-Based PSH as Drug-Free PSH~~  
6 ~~would be prohibited by law or in conflict with applicable conditions of funding.~~

7 ~~(d) The Board of Supervisors may waive the pilot prohibition set forth in subsection (a) by~~  
8 ~~resolution only if the Board makes the following findings:~~

9 ~~(1) Such waiver is necessary to meet the demand for Drug-Tolerant Low-barrier PSH as~~  
10 ~~determined by the PSH Resident Survey conducted under section 12K.5, or is otherwise determined by~~  
11 ~~the Board to be in the public interest; and~~

12 ~~(2) Waiver is recommended by either the Department of Homelessness and~~  
13 ~~Supportive Housing ("HSH") or the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development; and~~

14 ~~(3) The sponsoring Department has committed to entering into a Good Neighbor~~  
15 ~~Agreement with the housing operator intended to address anticipated neighborhood concerns.~~

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17 **SEC. 12K.5. MEASURING DEMAND FOR ~~DRUG-TOLERANT LOW-BARRIER AND~~**  
18 **~~DRUG-FREE RECOVERY-ORIENTED PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.~~**

19 ~~(a) Within six months of the effective date of the ordinance in Board File No. \_\_\_\_\_~~  
20 ~~enacting this Chapter 12K, HSH shall, in collaboration with the Controller's Office, conduct a survey~~  
21 ~~of PSH residents with Substance Use Disorders to assess their interest in living in Drug-~~  
22 ~~Free Recovery-Oriented PSH as an alternative to Drug-Tolerant Low-barrier PSH ("PSH Resident~~

1 Survey”). The survey instrument shall explain the ~~substance used~~~~drug~~-related policies that apply in each  
2 type of housing.

3 (b) Within one month of the completion of the PSH Resident Survey, HSH and the Controller’s  
4 Office shall prepare a report summarizing the results of the survey and shall submit the report to the  
5 Board of Supervisors, along with a resolution for the Board to acknowledge receipt of the survey  
6 report.

7 (c) Within three months of the completion of the PSH Resident Survey, HSH shall prepare a  
8 report describing the strategies it intends to implement to meet the demand measured in the PSH  
9 Resident Survey for ~~Drug-Free~~~~Recovery-Oriented~~ PSH and ~~Drug-Tolerant~~~~Low-barrier~~ PSH, in  
10 accordance with Section 12K.3, and shall submit that report to the Board of Supervisors together with  
11 a resolution for the Board to acknowledge its receipt.

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13 **SEC. 12K.6. RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

14 HSH, in consultation with the Department of Public Health, shall promulgate rules and  
15 regulations to carry out the provisions of this Chapter 12K, that:

16 (a) Establish standards for ~~Drug-Free~~~~Recovery-Oriented~~ Permanent Supportive Housing  
17 operators that:

18 (1) Prohibit the use of illicit drugs on the premises;

19 (2) Provide that ~~a single~~ ~~relapse~~ ~~recurrence~~ of use or instances of illicit drug or alcohol  
20 use may not be treated as an automatic cause for eviction or termination from a program, but that  
21 participants be offered ~~relapse~~ support for recurrence of use that meets tenants needs, including but not  
22 limited to an option to enter residential treatment and return to a unit post treatment; and

1 i) HSH, in consultation with the Department of Public Health, shall establish  
2 minimum clinical standards for operator response to recurrence of use, including: (1) a standardized  
3 assessment process conducted by or in coordination with a qualified behavioral health provider; (2) a  
4 documented care plan outlining support options offered to the resident; and (3) a defined timeframe  
5 within which operators must initiate a response.

6 (3) Provide that an operator may seek to terminate a resident's tenancy when a  
7 participant's behavior substantially disrupts or impacts the welfare of the community in which the  
8 participant resides;

9 (b) Reaffirm HSH's commitment to use its best efforts to provide alternative housing or shelter  
10 to an individual who is living in ~~Drug-Free~~Recovery-Oriented PSH, where such individual is at risk of  
11 eviction, ~~or is discharged from the program,~~ including allowing resident to reside in housing until the  
12 operator or participant secures a new placement option except in cases where basis for the eviction is  
13 violence or other forms of extreme behavioral issues.

14 (c) HSH shall submit such rules and regulations to the Board of Supervisors prior to the  
15 implementation of any new ~~Drug-Free~~Recovery-Oriented PSH site.

16 (d) Prohibit discrimination against or denial of housing, continued tenancy, or services to  
17 any individual on the basis of their participation in medication-assisted treatment when prescribed.  
18 Participation in such treatment shall not be considered illicit drug use, recurrence of use, or grounds  
19 for eviction or program termination.

20 **SEC. 12K.7. UNDERTAKING FOR THE GENERAL WELFARE.**

21 In enacting and implementing this Chapter 12K, the City is assuming an undertaking only to  
22 promote the general welfare. It is not assuming, nor is it imposing on its officers and employees, an

1 obligation for breach of which it is liable in money damages to any person who claims that such breach  
2 proximately caused injury.

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4 Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective at 12:00 a.m. on the

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8 31<sup>st</sup> day after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor  
9 returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it,  
10 or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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12 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
13 DAVID CHIU, City Attorney

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15 By: \_\_\_\_\_/S/\_\_\_\_\_  
16 ANNE PEARSON  
17 Deputy City Attorney

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**From:** [Erica Wang](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

Erica Wang  
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**From:** [Pam Wright](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
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**From:** [Jordan Wasilewski](#)  
**To:** [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [DorseyStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** You Can't Fool Me (RE: File 251003)  
**Date:** Saturday, April 25, 2026 2:02:57 PM

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I just want to say that your statements at committee and your refusal to accept the Treatment on Demand Coalitions amendments have so much bullshit in them, they could reforest the Amazon.

You claim that you support having options, but the legislation clearly closes the door permanently, without any temporal sunset, on new low barrier housing (or as you like to call it "drug tolerant") without any temporal or goals based sunset. I am not a dum dum, OK, just because you can speak with a "mellifluous baritone reminiscent of a 1950s radio announcer" does not mean you are right.

And then there is the separate issue of plans to decommission PSH. The way the legislation is written, there can be no more low barrier housing, even to replace lost PSH units. You just want every unit to be drug free.

There is an old Polish proverb about this:

**Bujać to las, a nie nas**

You modscum claim that we are not "pragmatist", and you weaponize the term "common sense" as if we are stupid. Well, guess what, you are the extremists, and the Treatment on Demand Coalition are pragmatists.

You also claim that we can't be "prescriptive". Guess what, when it comes to low income/vulnerable populations, as well as general power dynamics, we have to be prescriptive to prevent abuse.

And I want to end with another Polish proverb about how ruthlessness will end.

*Nosił wilk razy kilka ponieśli i wilka*

Go fuck yourself,

Jordan Wasilewski (she/they)

**From:** [Julien Ball](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\); BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [Justice Dumlao](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**Date:** Monday, April 27, 2026 11:20:20 AM

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**From:** [Mike Pincus](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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Supervisor Dorsey is pushing a plan that would increase homelessness in the city by penalizing drug users. Consequently, I urge you to vote no on the Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing ordinance (File No. 251003).

This ordinance is being presented as an expansion of sober housing, a goal that San Franciscans across the political spectrum share. But it does not simply create a sober housing option. It prohibits city funding for any new Permanent Supportive Housing that does not adopt a sobriety-conditioned model, effectively blocking the creation of housing that keeps people off the streets. Sober housing can and should be expanded without restricting the Permanent Supportive Housing pipeline. This ordinance does the opposite, and it will leave people homeless.

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Laurence Adelman](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Monday, April 27, 2026 6:48:29 PM

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I am writing in opposition to Supervisor Dorsey's Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing ordinance (File No. 251003).

I support sober housing options. But I fear that as written, this ordinance prohibits City funding for any new Permanent Supportive Housing which does not adopt an abstinence model. That would be terrible and have the unintended consequence of increasing evictions and leaving people homeless. And homelessness makes people even more susceptible to substance abuse.

I urge you to vote no on File No. 251003. Let's not make the problem worse.

Sincerely,

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**From:** [Heather Peterson](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
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**From:** [Rachel Howard](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 30, 2026 10:33:34 AM

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**From:** [Larry Ackerman](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on: Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing (File No. 251003)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 30, 2026 11:04:26 AM

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am a home owner in District 5 living in San Francisco since 1983. My husband died from a methamphetamine overdose within a year of his expulsion from a rehab home for a relapse. He was devastated as I was. Not everyone can survive drug-free housing.

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I ask you to vote no on File No. 251003.

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**From:** [Blueprint SF](#)  
**To:** [Lurie, Daniel \(MYR\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#); [blueprint@sfbudget.org](mailto:blueprint@sfbudget.org)  
**Subject:** Support Ordinance #251003: Support Drug-Free Housing.  
**Date:** Thursday, April 30, 2026 11:32:55 AM

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Dear Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you to support Supervisor Matt Dorsey's ordinance to expand drug free housing options in San Francisco.

Supportive housing residents deserve a real choice in the kind of environment they live in. For many, that means the option to live in a safe, drug free residential community.

San Francisco's current approach inflicts a 100 percent drug tolerant Housing First model on everyone. It allows rampant illegal drug use, including fentanyl and methamphetamine, with zero consequences. That is why Supervisor Dorsey is sponsoring this legislation to give residents of permanent supportive housing the choice to live in safe, drug free communities.

This legislation is about:

- Giving residents the ability to choose what works for them
- Creating safer and more stable living environments
- Moving beyond a one size fits all system

No one should be forced into a housing environment that does not support their well being.

Please vote yes on this ordinance.

Sincerely,

Kyle Politz

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## Introduction Form

*(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)*



I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
- 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference)  
*(Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)*
- 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee
- 4. Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor  inquires..."
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- 6. Call File No.  from Committee.
- 7. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
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- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on

The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes):

- Small Business Commission       Youth Commission       Ethics Commission
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General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):

- Yes                       No

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Sponsor(s):

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