

COVID-19 Homelessness Response & Hotel Program Response

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- Co-Chaired by Supervisor Walton and HSH Interim Director Stewart- Kahn
- This Working Group is the setting for addressing many of the questions raised in this resolution.

Goals of the Working Group

- Address the needs of people experiencing homelessness and mitigate the impacts of unsheltered homelessness
- Ensure the COVID response system is demobilized such that nobody exists the system into unsheltered homelessness.
- Better integrate behavioral health options



Scope of the Working Group

- System Planning: Develop a systems model (hotels, shelter, other) for the next and future phases for people experiencing homelessness
 - **Housing:** Continue to identify cost-effective strategies to increase housing opportunities.
 - **Shelter:** Continue to adjust congregate shelter models to reflect public health guidance.
 - Outreach: Continue to determine how COVID has impacted conditions on the street and strategies for mitigating impacts.
- Financing: Provide input to budget and financing strategy to support policy proposals.
- Behavioral Health: Incorporate behavioralshealth.treatment



Working Group Members:

- Supervisor Shamann Walton, Co-Chair
- Abigail Stewart-Kahn, HSH, Co-Chair
- Trent Rhorer, HSA
- Kelly Hiramoto, DPH
- Dr. Deborah Borne, DPH
- Andres Power, MYR
- Mary Ellen Carroll, DEM
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- Anne Romero, MOHCD
- Del Seymour, Community Rep Local Homeless Coordinating Board Chair
- Sherilyn Adams, Community Rep Larkin Street Youth Services
 Director
- Project Manager: Laura Marshall,
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Meeting Topics:

- Meeting 1: System Planning
- Meeting 2: Behavioral Health Treatment Bed Overview
- Meeting 3: Shelter and Outreach
- Meeting 4: Population Characteristics
- Meeting 5: Housing Financing
- Community Engagement Sessions: July 9, July 14, and July 24
- Meeting 6: Landscape Refresh and Housing Proposal
- Meeting 7: Community Engagement Sessions
- Meeting 8: Develop Workgroup Proposal
- Meeting 10: TBD if More Time Needed



Thank you Questions?