



**SUPPORTIVE
HOUSING
PROVIDERS
NETWORK**

Pause the SIP Hotel Site Demobilization Plan:

We need more time,
More collaboration,
And more resources.

HESPA (Presented by Beth Stokes)

- **SIP hotels are a temporary solution *and* a cornerstone of the City's COVID-19 response.**
 - We need a transition plan that achieves our collective goals:
 - Stable housing exits that do not risk vulnerable people's health.
- **We must pause the current plan and engage in a collaborative planning process with a longer timeline.**
 - The timeline of the current plan is unrealistic.
- **Effective systems require a diversity of options:**
 - PSH, RRH, workforce housing, supportive care, prevention, etc.
 - Underfunded interventions (e.g., problem-solving) will not work.

HESPA (Presented by Laura Valdez)

- **We cannot send people of color to the unemployment lines (hotel staff) and to the streets (hotel residents).**
 - Low-wage staff are being treated as disposable. They're working multiple jobs without wage equity or hazard pay.
 - Homeless people and families are being treated as disposable. It was a fight to open up the SIP hotels in the first place.
- **We have a lot of work to do before we can center racial equity in coordinated entry and decision-making.**
 - We cannot rely on coordinated entry to uphold racial equity.
 - Providers must participate in planning and decision-making.

SHPN (Presented by Christy Saxton)

- **Housing providers have been asking for help to fill vacant units for more than a year.**
 - 300+ units have been vacant even prior to COVID-19.
 - Move-ins take compliance, coordination, and time.
- **The City has issued last-minute, impossible directives:**
 - 24 hours' notice to send staff to housing fairs.
 - No resources and no hazard pay.
- **Effective partnership means mutual engagement.**
 - We must comply with all grants and contracts.
 - We need wage equity and hazard pay for frontline workers.

HESPA (Presented by Joe Wilson)

- **The plan cannot “rehouse” 2400 people in eight months.**
 - Only 1 in 5 people will receive a housing referral.
 - More than 1800 people are at risk of returning to the streets.
- **The plan will require mass layoffs of frontline workers.**
 - Dozens will be laid off right before the holidays.
 - Potentially hundreds will be laid off overall.
- **There is no public-health rationale.**
 - There is an uptick in positive cases and hospitalizations.
 - Now is not the time to shut down the SIP hotels.