



## Safety off the Streets Workgroup Minutes

**DATE:** Tuesday, April 17, 2018

**TIME:** 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Bud Clark Commons  
Multipurpose Room  
650 NW Irving Street  
Portland, OR 97209

**ATTENDEES:** Tony Bernal, Cait Burke, Erin Burrise, Laurel Finck, Lucas Hillier, Tiffany Kingery, Katie Mays, Jay McIntyre, Karissa Moden, Rob Nathan, Matt Olguin, Neal Sand, Kristi Smith, Ron Thomas.

### MEETING DISCUSSION

- Welcome, Introductions, Check-In and Icebreaker
  - Tony Bernal, Transition Projects, called the meeting to order. Tiffany Kingery, Joint Office of Homeless Services, lead the group with an Assertive Engagement check-in.
- A Home for Everyone (AHFE) Safety off the Streets Work Plan Review
  - Tony Bernal gave a Safety off the Streets (SOS) Work Plan Update presentation
    - AHFE prioritizes racial equity and using the racial equity lens.
    - SOS was created in October 2014.
    - A steering committee for SOS meets 2-3 hours monthly.
    - There is room for more steering committee members. Contact a member of the steering committee if interested.
    - There are three major areas of focus on the work plan:
      - Training and Education
      - Community Standards
      - Policy Recommendations
    - Beginning next month, planning for the fiscal year (FY) 2019 work plan will begin.
  - Tony Bernal asked meeting members for suggestions on what the workgroup should focus on for the SOS work plan next fiscal year:
    - Focus on land use and zoning
    - Create pathway out of the shelter system and alternative housing beyond shelter.
    - Make sure goals of the FY 2018 workplan are being completed.
- Clean-Ups: Review of March Activity with Q&A Session
  - Lucas Hillier, City of Portland, provided and explained a flowchart of Homelessness/Urban Camping Impact Reduction Production.
    - Between 250-400 reports are filed in the winter and 500-900 reports in the summer.
    - Central City Concern's Clean Start Program will go to areas that need garbage clean ups.
    - Sites go through a Risk Assessment Matrix, and based off the score, certain areas will be posted for clean-up.
    - Goal is to have more robust funding for the Low Impact Camping Program and Services Program.

- City of Portland does not have authorization to clean or post on Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), private and any other non-city owned properties.
- April Rohman, Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS), asked questions from the March SOS workgroup meeting to have Lucas Hillier answer.
  - A person's items can be stored for up to 30 days.
  - Lucas Hillier provided handouts on the mandatory storage policy of items they will store and also the items they cannot store.
  - The site to pick up property is located across from the Barbur Transit Center. The City of Portland is going to council in two weeks to ask permission to lease a private piece of property in Northeast Portland.
- Clean-Ups Activity II
  - Katie Mays, JOIN, and April Rohman initiated the second SOS Clean-Up Activity.
    - The group answered two questions together: What problems are campsite clean-ups trying to address? What problems do campsite clean-ups create?
    - The group filled out an empathy map of what a people who are sleeping outside may be hearing, thinking, feeling, doing, saying and seeing.
    - The group also filled out empathy maps in the perspective of concerned community members, workers who conduct the clean-ups, and social service workers about the homelessness population.
- Agency Spotlight – Central City Concern (CCC), Clean Start Program
  - Jay McIntyre, CCC, explained Clean Start PDX program.
    - Each staff member has lived experience of homelessness.
    - Staff members volunteer up to 80 hours of time for community service.
    - Staff ask campers to keep their areas clean and gives trash bags for them to use.
    - Program offers employment training and opportunities.
    - The Clean Start Program cleans in the Portland and Gresham areas.
- Announcements
  - Caitlin Burke, JOHS and Office of Neighborhood Involvement, explained her role.
    - Caitlin Burke has been working on a project to have a space where people will be allowed to sleep in their vehicles.
      - Goal is to have host sites with a parking lot for cars to be parked.
      - Putting together a steering committee for the plan.
      - Currently in the process of finding a Non-profit partner.
  - Rob Nathan, Metro, suggested that the SOS Workgroup collaborates with outside agencies to help address low impact camping.

## ACTION ITEMS

### ITEM

Will send flyer to group that Tiffany Grigg made with information on where to call to retrieve personal belongings.

### ASSIGNED

April  
Rohman

## NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, May 15, 2018  
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