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**ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 @ 7pm

**Encino Community Center Crafts Room
4935 Balboa Blvd. Encino, CA, 91316**

Voting Members – ENC Members:

Pat Bates (Co-Chair)*, (Co-Chair) Steven Turner*

Voting Members – Stakeholders:

Lauren Telegdy, Heather Rim, Jodie Francisco, Janel Bishop, Alyssa Boyle, Rochel Mitchell

Alternate Committee Members:

Victoria Miller* Katie Bull*

* Indicates ENC Board Member or Alternate, no more than 5 Encino Neighborhood Council Board-Members or Alternates may be seated at a time to vote during a committee meeting

Motion, Discussion, and Vote may be taken on all items

- 1. Call to Order. Roll call; determination of quorum.**
- 2. Presentation: Don Larson, Clean Streets, Clean Starts** (<https://cleanstreetscleanstarts.org/>) (<https://www.facebook.com/northridgebeautificationfoundation/>) Don will address the possibility of deploying his Clean Streets/Clean Starts program to the Sepulveda Basin. The goals of the Encino Neighborhood Council are to get trash in the areas with homeless encampments cleaned up, as well as anything posing a fire hazard, and to engage the homeless individuals in the encampments to work on the cleanups. This will enable these people to have better access to services and put them on the path to a better life. The participation of the Encino Neighborhood Council in this venture is a hands-on opportunity to help both the homeless in our neighborhood and the environment in our wonderful park. Funding for this project will be discussed. Please take a look at their website prior to meeting.
- 3. Approve minutes of March 6, 2019 Minutes**
- 4. Old Business:**
 - a. Count of Homeless Individuals in the Sepulveda Basin: This took a while to get going, some areas have been surveyed and some remain to be done. It is clear based on work done to date the number is in the hundreds, with an estimate of ~300. This will be discussed at the meeting.

- b. Locations for Bridge Housing: Inquiry regarding a large paved lot between Haskell Creek and the Tillman facility has been made
- c. Homelessness Solutions Information Fair on June 1, 2019 presented by the West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness: The full board approved our motion to spend up to \$200 on refreshments for this event (flyer is attached to this agenda). This event is a good opportunity to discuss solutions and ways to help with your elected officials and service providers. We could also use some help setting up.

5. New Business:

- a. Contact the National Guard armories in the Sepulveda Basin to determine if there are unused mobile sanitation facilities (showers, toilets) that might be deployed if a suitable site is located.
- b. A Neighborhood Purposes Grant Request in the amount of \$2,000 has been received from Hope Mill, Inc. to fund approximately 400 CarePack backpacks which will be filled with food, water, clothing, essential personal care items and information on finding resources. Hope Mill partners with the SPA2 Homeless Services Teams which cover our area. MOTION 19 05 001: The Encino Neighborhood Council Homelessness Committee recommends funding a Neighborhood Purposes Grant to Hope Mill, Inc. in the amount of \$2000
- c. During a clean-up of Haskell Creek in the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife area, by SFV Audubon Society (SFVAS), Friends of the LA River (FOLAR) and others, large amounts of debris from the upstream encampments was discovered and removed from the creek. A subsequent survey of the upstream area reveals a massive amount of debris in the creekbed that will wash into the wildlife area in the event of rain. All parties involved want the area cleaned up. To that end some program (including deployment of dumpsters) of getting trash removed from the areas will be investigated. Clean Streets/Clean Starts may be able to help.
- d. Request information on progress being made in San Fernando Valley: Bridge Housing, Supportive Housing, number of individuals in CES, number finding housing. Are we gaining or losing?
- e. What else can we do to really help?

6. Future Homelessness Projects/Events:

- A. West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness Information Fair (www.wvnah.org) These forums connect you with your local government officials and homeless service providers. Get information, offer your opinions, find out where you can help:
June 1, 2019 at One Generation Senior Center, 18255 Victory Blvd, Reseda, 1-3 pm
- B. “The Advocates – A Film About LA’s Homeless” April 30, 2019 5-9pm 100 West First Street, Los Angeles To reserve: <https://www.facebook.com/events/290163508572803/>

7. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:

Limited to TWO MINUTES (2) per speaker; total time for all public comment is limited to 10 minutes. Public is asked to fill out a speaker card and hand it to the Committee Chair.

8. Establish date of next Homelessness Committee Meeting

9. Adjournment by 8:30 pm

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