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RE: Armory Use

3 messages

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To: EDC.COB@edcgov.us, cmorris@cityofplacerville.org

Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:05 PM

April 13, 2020

RE: Armory Use

Dear Placerville City Council *and* EDC Board of Supervisors

I spend a lot of time at the Fairgrounds in May and June and have noticed not only fecal matter and needles lying around the grounds that the public access,

The grounds are a beautiful place for the community to enjoy, not only to rent for gatherings, have picnics, walking for exercise and pleasure, and many other programs.

One of the programs is the "Adopt-A-Spot" that would be in direct harm if allowing the Armory to be open to the Homeless and Transients.

Several purposes of the Adopt-A-Spot is for beautification of the Fairgrounds and community involvement. There are approximately 100 of these spots that line the streets and walkways all through the grounds. There are many families and youth groups who enjoy working yearly on "their" own spots. It would be a shame if a child finds a needle before a Fair employee.

Because of the total disregard of many transients who already abuse the property, it would be unfortunate to lose the work that went into beautifying those areas. It would end up being a War-zone - Broken utensils, unneeded household items, garbage, old plastic containers, torn clothes, un-eaten food.

I know all of you have read the letter that the El Dorado County Fair has sent to you, so I do not need to repeat all that the letter mentions. I just hope that in reading that letter, you will have considered what the El Dorado County Fair does to full fill joy, and pleasure for your community and the visitors to this area.

Sincerely,

Dianne Wright

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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:27 PM

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Opposition letter to homeless housing in Old Armory, Placerville

3 messages

Virginia Hamilton <vdurland@yahoo.com>

Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:10 PM

To: "edc.cob@edcgov.us" <edc.cob@edcgov.us>, "cmorris@cityofplacerville.org" <cmorris@cityofplacerville.org>

Gentlemen/Ladies,

I understand that a vote is coming up regarding creating transitional housing in the Old Armory in Placerville, CA. Please don't do this! As we all know, with the homeless comes trash, drugs, and many mentally ill individuals. The Old Armory is located next to the Placerville Fairgrounds which hosts family events all year long, including the county fair and many horse and dog shows. And the county library just up the hill will be inundated with the homeless. As a former reference librarian for El Dorado County, I know what a problem the homeless pose for public libraries. Many parents leave unattended children in the library. Also, the homeless problem will become Raley's problem, which is right next door.

This is a bad idea!

Sincerely,

V. Hamilton
Placerville resident since 1975

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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:28 PM

To: Virginia Hamilton <vdurland@yahoo.com>

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Support for Joint Policy On Homelessness - BOS 4/14/20 Agenda Item #25

3 messages

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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:13 PM

To Whom It May Concern

I wish to express my wholehearted support of the Joint Policy On Homelessness and the use of the State owned Armory, for a Navigation Center and transitional housing to address our homelessness issue. Nearly every county in California provides transitional housing for the homeless. Sadly, El Dorado County does not. We have recently heard that even the Nomadic Winter Shelter previously provided by a few volunteer churches on some nights during winter weather in past years will probably not exist next winter. The result will be more homeless people suffering, and some will die. We treat our homeless pets better. For all of our sakes, not just the homeless, we need to address the homelessness issue now, especially as we go through and then try to come out of the Covid 19 Pandemic.

Providing a Navigation Center with transitional housing will benefit not only the homeless, but all of us. First, most of our homeless ARE "us" They are "locals", not transients from somewhere else. The official Point In Time count of homeless people shows that most of our homeless are local residents, not transients. Many of them grew up here. I have volunteered at the Nomadic Shelter and I personally know this to be true. Additionally, the number of homeless people in our County is likely to increase soon due to the economic effects of the Covid 19 Pandemic. These are people who have lost their jobs due to no fault of their own. The number of homeless people camping in the woods and nearby neighborhoods will increase. The homeless need a Navigation Center and transitional housing to get the help they need to get back on their feet.

The homelessness problem is not going to go away on its own. Not providing shelter and services will not reduce the number of homeless people in our community. Conversely, providing temporary shelter and services will not exacerbate the problem; it will improve it. Right now, the homeless have no running water, toilets, showers, or links to the services they need to get out of homelessness. Providing services and transitional housing will lessen the litter and sanitation problems we see, and it will reduce the number of people having unsafe campfires that threaten all of us during fire season. Progressively, it will reduce the number of homeless people in El Dorado County.

It is no longer a question of whether to provide services to the homeless, services that enable them to obtain housing and re-enter the workforce, but a question of where those services should be provided within our County. The Armory is being offered by the State to the County to address the homelessness problem. This is a tremendous opportunity to begin to address not only the humanitarian issues posed by homelessness, but also the well-being of our whole community, including the residents of the City of Placerville. Our entire community will benefit from addressing the homelessness problem. The scare tactics of some who refer to the Armory as part of the Fairgrounds and exaggerate its proximity to children are just that, scare tactics. The State owned Armory is not part of the Fairgrounds. It is not in view of the New Morning Shelter. Use of the Armory does not threaten the safety of our children. I have no doubt that security, supervision, services linking homeless individuals to needed social services, and the provision of trash and sanitation services will be part of this project at the Armory. Safety and cleanliness on the streets of Placerville and in residential neighborhoods will improve as a result of this proposal. The fire danger from camp fires will be reduced. I trust that our hard working and conscientious County Board of Supervisors and City officials, people who care about ALL of us, will make this project a win/win for all people of this community.

Sincerely,

Claire van Dam
Concerned Citizen

EDC COB <edc.cob@edcgov.us>
To: Claire van Dam <vandamcmolode@gmail.com>

Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:29 PM

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4-14-2020; Agenda Item 25 Joint Policy on Homelessness

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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:39 PM

To: "edc.cob@edcgov.us" <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Now, more than ever, it is time for the people of El Dorado County to step up to the plate and protect long-term residents who are homeless. Other locations all over the state of CA have transitional housing. It is a necessary change in order to resolve the homeless situation and it also acts as a protection for ALL residents of El Dorado County.

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4-13-20

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Re: The Joint Policy Statement with the City of Placerville on Homelessness
BOS 4-14-20, Item #25, File #20-0490

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Please do not approve this Statement agreement. This item should be brought back for discussion with a lot more data made available for the Board of Supervisors to consider, in order for them to make decisions that will benefit the health and welfare of our entire county as a whole.

Thank you,

Sue Taylor



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Homeless Houseing

1 message

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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 8:16 PM

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Please join us in opposition of the Armory being transformed into transitional housing for the homeless and stand with us to protect our community. Sincerely,

Sincerely
Miguel Garcia

Miguel Garcia
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No Transitional Housing Near the Fairgrounds

1 message

Mary Bowen <mary.bowen@lesschwab.com>

Tue, Apr 14, 2020 at 6:42 AM

To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

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Sincerely,
Mary Bowen

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Old Armory

1 message

Justine <england.justine@gmail.com>

Tue, Apr 14, 2020 at 12:42 AM

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Sincerely,
Justine England



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BOS 4-14-20, Item #25, File #20-0490

1 message

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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 8:00 PM

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This agreement appears to be following the model of Hangtown Haven which actually brought more homeless to our communities and has created an unmanageable situation. If neither the City or the County has been able to mitigate the situation created by the Haven, how is recreating that program going to make things better for those that are in need along with the already impacted residents and businesses? Hangtown Haven was closed by the City of Placerville on 11/15/2013. Per the Sacbee:

"PLACERVILLE, Calif. — A self-governing tent city of homeless residents in Placerville is closing after just 16 months following complaints the camp increased litter and property crime... the camp known as Hangtown Haven will be shut down Friday when its city permit expires. The social experiment was heralded by local officials and homeless activists in dealing with a problem of transients taking over local parks or setting fires in the woods...But police said Placerville became a destination point for homeless people who came from as far as New York. As a result, thefts shot up by 60 percent."

<https://www.sacbee.com/community/folsom-el-dorado/article2582839.html?fbclid=IwAR0XX1uFcosvKBlrU3VsvpUPs1l1Z5-e1IBfIGrkUtXbs38Rie2e9vVe24Q>

I've listened to Supervisor Hidahl say that this item is "just" to be able to have an open dialog to the homeless situation within the county, yet the Statement being presented to the Board of Supervisors has 6 actions items! His explanation of the item is actually contrary to what is actually in the proposal. We do agree that many advocates of the homelessness along with government officials have been eyeing the Armory to house the homeless ever since Newsom opened up that any state property could be used for housing the homeless. We should put that topic to rest and state that this site is not an appropriate location to mitigate homelessness. Next there should be a discussion as to which population the County is looking to serve. Such as the working homeless, the transient homeless, the mentally ill homeless, the veteran homeless, the homeless youth? Each of these demographics would require a different type of service. Do we already have services that is working for any of these demographics that are being implemented? Perhaps through our Health and Human Services and Mental Health Departments.

If one of these demographics are not being served then what would be the best action that would actually eliminate homelessness for that

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4-14-2020; Agenda Item 25 Joint Policy on Homelessness

3 messages

Dennis Johnson <dparisst@sbcglobal.net>
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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 5:59 PM

Dear members of the Board of Supervisors,
As someone who regularly volunteers with the Nomadic Shelter at Federated Church in Placerville, I have come to know many of the people who are homeless in El Dorado County. It grieves me that we can only provide sporadic shelter, and only in the coldest months. These homeless people all have stories to tell, and they are people who are worthy of our respect and help. Especially in light of our present Coronavirus health issue, we need to protect this vulnerable community. I am writing to support the idea of using the Placerville Armory for housing the homeless population. This facility is separated from the county fair grounds, and using this facility will serve to make our county safer. I urge you to do the right and compassionate thing.

Sincerely,
Dennis Johnson

EDC COB <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Tue, Apr 14, 2020 at 8:25 AM

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To: Dennis Johnson <dparisst@sbcglobal.net>

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Yes on #25

1 message

Lorna Reyes <lorihaina@icloud.com>
To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 6:11 PM

I vote yes on #25

Lorna M. Reyes

Sent from my iPhone



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No Transitional Housing Near the Fairgrounds

1 message

Matt and Kathleen <bowen.mattkathleen@gmail.com>

Tue, Apr 14, 2020 at 6:40 AM

To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

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Sincerely,
Matt and Kathleen Bowen



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armory

3 messages

Monica Lenney <monica.lenney@gmail.com>
To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 7:03 PM

I am strongly opposed to moving the homeless into the armory. The fair grounds are the center for so many events and meetings. They will always have the children around. It's definitely not the place to have loitering, needles, filth, and harassment. Think it over.

Monica Lenney a long time resident of Placerville and very concerned citizen

EDC COB <edc.cob@edcgov.us>
To: Monica Lenney <monica.lenney@gmail.com>

Tue, Apr 14, 2020 at 8:31 AM

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Miracle Shelter

1 message

Trisha Phillips <tmphillips90@gmail.com>

Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 7:57 PM

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Please vote yes on item #25. Our homeless need a place to shelter.

Thank you.

Mrs. TRISHA PHILLIPS



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Why Do Thousands of L.A.'s Homeless Shelter Beds Sit Empty Each Night? Rats, Roaches, Bedbugs, Mold | KQED

1 message

Cindy Young <shrdrcin@gmail.com>
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<https://www.kqed.org/news/11668623/why-do-thousands-of-l-a-s-homeless-shelter-beds-sit-empty-each-night-rats-roaches-bedbugs-mold>

VERY interesting and eye opening! Makes a lot of sense.

I am adamantly opposed to the consideration of the transitional housing at the Old Armory location.

Cynthia Young
Placerville, CA



EDC COB <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Category 25. 20-0490 Agenda Item Adamantly opposed to "Transitional Housing being located at the Old Armory Location"

2 messages

Cindy Young <shrdrcin@gmail.com>
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2) There are many children activities taking place at both the El Dorado County Fairgrounds and Joe's Skate Park. When working at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds those working with any of the children's activities requires being finger printed and background checks for all of those participating. Yet you are considering the placement of transitional housing at the old Armory location.

3) What goes along with transitional housing: trash, human waste, discarded hypodermic needles, drug paraphernalia , intoxication, and occasional violence (a stabbing on Broadway of recent). I also observed a nude homeless woman walking on Broadway recently. She was stopped by a Police Officer and forced to put clothes on which was simply a dress that she put over her head (no shoes). The officer let her proceed up the road. Is this what we want around our children?

4) It is a known fact that many homeless individuals suffer from mental health issues. Studies have also shown that homeless individuals prefer tents and their own personal items rather than shelters due to theft and disagreements that occur.

Given these facts placement of the transitional housing at the old Armory location is hardly in the best interest of children. Therefore, I am adamantly opposed to the consideration of the transitional housing at this location.

The fair staff and the local community already struggle with vandalism and theft done by the homeless community and they frequently find drug paraphernalia (including used needles) in restrooms and bushes. The staff have been verbally harassed, threatened with physical harm and in one instance physically attacked. Bringing more of the homeless/transient community, which inherently suffers from mental disease/drug & alcohol addiction would bring more of this to our fairgrounds.

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Please join us in opposition of the Armory being transformed into transitional housing for the homeless and stand with us to protect our community.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Young
Placerville, CA

Cindy Young <shrdrcin@gmail.com>
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AGENDA Item 25

7 messages

Maryal Boumann <maryal@innercite.com>
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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:24 PM

AGENDA ITEM 25**Dear El Dorado County Board of Supervisors,**

Thank you for all you do to help our beautiful County and those who dwell within!

I ask you to please **support** the use of the Armory as a 'Shelter of Hope' for our homeless population.

We know that every person's life is valuable and precious to the Lord. As I understand it, there will be boundaries set for those who are willing to work toward improving their life and helping their family. What a great opportunity you have in deciding to help "the least of these" and making a HUGE fantastic difference in a person's life!

I pray your hearts will be open to voting YES to using the Armory as a beacon of light for the needy, the homeless, and that our County will be an excellent example to others!

May you and your households be safe, healthy, and continue to walk in love, wisdom, and compassion,

Maryal

Maryal Boumann
PRAY CALIFORNIA, Director
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4. It is a known fact many homeless individuals suffer from mental health issues. Studies have also shown homeless individuals prefer tents and their own personal items rather than shelters due to theft and disagreements that occur.

Given these facts placement of the transitional housing at the old Amory location is hardly in the best interest of children. Therefore, I am adamantly opposed to the consideration of the transitional housing at this location.

With endorsement from the Fair Board and Staff, I send this letter of opposition to using the Fairgrounds as housing or shelter for the homeless population. The Fairgrounds is a community hub where our residents use the beautiful grounds daily to walk, exercise their horses, walk their dogs, practice fire crew drills, picnic, etc.

The Fair staff already struggles with vandalism and theft done by the homeless community, and they frequently find drug paraphernalia (including used needles) in restrooms and bushes. The staff has been verbally harassed, threatened with physical harm and in one instance physically attacked. Bringing more of the homeless/transient community, which inherently suffers from mental disease/drug & alcohol addiction, would bring more of this to our fairgrounds.

The Armory is also directly across the street from New Morning's Children's Shelter, and only 350 ft from Joe's Skate Park, a local youth hang out. The Fairgrounds is also the venue for the many large youth activities, including the All County Cross Country Meet's annual race which is attended by almost 1,000 3rd Grade Kids and Farm Day, with 800 4th Graders. Transient housing being located at the Armory endangers our youth.

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Sincerely,



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Armory use

3 messages

Pamela Vaughan <pamv1181@hotmail.com>
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Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 6:19 PM

I strongly oppose the use of the armory for the homeless. My husband and I attend some of the events at the fairgrounds but, would probably hesitate to go if we had concerns about being accosted by these people. Even if they weren't able to get into the fairgrounds they would be hanging around outside near parking areas. Also, this could cause a problem at Raley's parking lot. We live close enough to the fairgrounds to possibly be affected in our neighborhood as well. We had issues in the past when they were living across highway 49. There were car and home break-ins, as well as thefts of things people had outdoors. Please do not do this.

Pam Vaughan

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4-14-2020 Agenda Item 25 Joint Policy on Homelessness

3 messages

Taunya Bisordi <taunyanic@yahoo.com>

Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 4:02 PM

To: "edc.cob@edcgov.us" <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Good Afternoon,

I am an El Dorado County resident. I want the Board to know that I SUPPORT the utilization of the Placerville Armory for support services and transitional housing for our vulnerable homeless population.

1. The majority of the homeless neighbors in EDC are from EDC. They are not transient people, according to the most recent Point in Time Count.
2. Our County is in desperate need of a Navigation Center with Transitional Housing. Locations all over the state have done this. A recent visit to one in Marysville found it clean and well supervised. According to one of the Yuba County Board of Supervisors, the neighbors in the area reported no problems.
3. The Armory is not on Fairground Property and is the property of the State. It is being made available by the State of California only for housing and is not available for other purposes. If the Armory was chosen, the location is away from the Fairgrounds itself, it is fenced off and not even within view of New Morning or the Skate Park.
4. Providing services for the homeless has been found to protect the community from problems and makes the community a safer place. Sanitation services, mental health and substance abuse counseling can be provided when the unhoused population has housing. Studies have found that this approach can help people lift themselves out of homelessness.
5. The large number of homeless families and children in our community will be dramatically helped by finding solutions to this crisis.

Please consider supporting this joint effort with the City of Placerville.

Much Regards,

Taunya Bisordi

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