

CACH Public Health Sub-committee Meeting 9/30/19

Attendees: Katie Woolsey , Aron Nicol, Ron Prince (Staff), Dwaine Tait

Problem Statement:

Lack of access to adequate sanitation facilities (toilets, sinks, showers, laundry, storage and needle disposal) creates severe hardships for people experiencing homelessness in Santa Cruz. This includes medical hardship, a loss of opportunities to seek/accomplish employment and housing and ultimately pose a potential public health risk.

Proposed Solution: *To be researched and discussed at future subcommittee meetings.*

Notes and Next steps: The Sub-committee has scheduled the next meeting for 10/14/19 and subsequent meetings to be scheduled bi-weekly on the Mondays preceding the regular Tuesday CACH meetings. All members of the sub-committee agreed to research best practices, and other feasibility concerns regarding providing urban sanitation stations that the City of Santa Cruz could potentially provide the homeless population. Ron Prince agreed to assist the subcommittee regarding cost of potential solutions and possible revenue sources to pay for solutions.