



# Working Groups

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Progress Report	4. L	ived Experience		
<b>Common Agenda Goal #1</b> Strengthen the capacity of organizations that provide permanent housing placement services to increase the rate of housing retention by 5%				
NOTE: Quantitative Common Agenda goal progress reported in Annual Report				
Strategy	Activities - Q1 2021	Activities - Q2 2021		
Coordinate with HACSB to analyze data regarding evictions and identify best practices	Meeting with Legal Aid Foundation and Support Service Providers on <b>Tenant Rights</b> Due to COV 19 Policy Changes and Proposals			
Increase engagement and communication for current supportive service partners	Formalized Launch of Housing Retention Working Group; Identified Objectives and Deliverables for Working Group Focused Initial on HACSB Properties; Working Group Will Mee the Third Mondays of the Month from 11 am - 12:30pm Starting May 17	t on Between the County of Santa Barbara and City of Santa Barbara		
Create a "Good Neighbor Handbook" that will be utilized to support residents being placed into permanent housing	Draft of <b>"Good Neighbor Handbook"</b> Complete with Input from Good Samaritan Shelter and HACSB Programs, Policies & Best Practices; Moving to Develop Draft that Can Be Used by Multiple Providers Countywide	ed <b>Feedback and Edits from Countywide Partners</b> are being Incorporated into the "Good Neighbor Handbook" so That it Can be Utilized by Housing Providers and Supportive Service Partners Throughout Santa Barbara County		
Identify financial resources and key partner agencies to plan, advocate for, and build capacity for bridge or transitional housing	Prioritized Strategy for Temporary Sheltering Solutions and Coordinated with City of SB and C Net on Bridge Housing Program Proposal; Presented Bridge Housing Program Proposal Collaborative Partners; Garnered Support from Regional Action Plan Stakeholders for Proposal; City Council Approved \$480,000 Contract with C Net to Provide Bridge Housing for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness Working to Educate Waterfront Regional Act Plan Stakeholders about Bridge Housing	<ul> <li>ity the Waterfront Region of Santa Barbara and Facilitated Learning Sessions on Bridge Housing with Waterfront RAP</li> <li>Stakeholders</li> <li>Coordinated with Dignity Moves to Present on Bridge Housing</li> <li>Program Planned for Downtown Santa Barbara in Partnership with the County of Santa Barbara</li> </ul>		
	Programs in Anticipation of Property Acquisition for this Purpose on the Waterfront; Coordinating with County of SB to Address Questions and Concerns about Bridge Housing Programs and Properties Being Purchased for Future Affordab Housing Solutions	3		

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#### Common Agenda Goal #2

Create a culture of diversion and prevention among collaborative partners to reduce the percentage of individuals, youth and families entering homelessness from a housed situation by 10%

NOTE: Quant	itative Common Agenda goal pro	gress reported in Annual Report
Strategy	Activities - Q1 2021	Activities - Q2 2021

Identify the
agencies currently
practicing diversion
and identify how
best to capture and
share quantitative
and qualitative data

#### City Net Reported Quarterly Data on Street Exits Including 21 Street Exits within the Three Regional Action Plans; On Track to Meet Goal of 100 Street Exits by End of 2021

**Facilitate regular** trainings and workshops for traditional and nontraditional homeless care and shelter providers that can prioritize diversion or rapid resolution

Facilitated Diversion Training for Partners at Alameda Park Neighborhood Navigation Center; Facilitated De-Escalation Training for NNC and Regional Action Plan Partners; Facilitated Psychological First Aid Trainings for NNC Partners in Collaboration with Santa Barbara Response Network

Advocate for an increase in the availability of flexible, financial resources

Proposals Submitted to Public and Private Sector Entities in Support of Neighborhood Navigation Centers Including "Whatever It Takes" Fund for Reunification and Relocation (Diversion)

Marketing of Santa Barbara County Rental & Utility Assistance Grant Program to Residents; Receiving Regular Updates from County of Santa Barbara and United Way of Santa Barbara County and Program Outputs

Received Funding Support from the City of Santa Barbara Matched by Local Foundations and Private Donors to Expand the Neighborhood Navigation Centers to Two Additional Sites Over the Next Year and Includes "Whatever It Takes" funding for Diversion / Reunification Strategies

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## Common Agenda Goal #3

## Increase the number of affordable housing units in the City of Santa Barbara by 20%

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Help to identify vacant and under- utilized lots in each district within the City of Santa Barbara	Vacant and Under-utilized Lots Identified and Vetted for Temporary Shelter Project; Reached out to Developers and Business Owners for Philanthropic Effort to Donate Use of Property and Land Temporarily; Temporary Shelter Project Transitioned to Proposal for Bridge Housing Program Presentation by Housing Authority of County of Santa Barbara and Housing Authority of City of Santa Barbara of all housing developments recently completed, in process, and proposed	Shared Information on the Santa Barbara County Housing & Community Development Department's Process for Identification and Vetting of Vacant and Under-Utilized Lots for Low-Barrier Emergency Shelters, Bridge Housing, and Permanent Supportive Housing Coordinated with the City of Santa Barbara in Identifying and Vetting City-Owned Lots for a Temporary Shelter Project in Response to Clearing Encampments in Fire-Prone Areas
	Collaborative Partners <b>Attended and</b> <b>Demonstrated Support for HACSB</b> Community Meeting on N. Cumbre Road Affordable Housing Project for Families	
Increase engagement of collaborative partners in advocating for affordable housing solutions	Collaborative Partners <b>Prioritized Temporary</b> <b>Shelter Project</b> to Help Meet Immediate Needs of Unsheltered Population; Learned from County Partners Implementing Temporary Shelter Project in Isla Vista as well as City Net Implementing Projects in Other Counties; <b>Identified Lots</b> to be Utilized for Temporary Shelter Projects and Initiated Discussions with Property Owners Collaborative Partners Attended and Demonstrated Support for HACSB Community Meeting on N. Cumbre Road Affordable Housing Project for Families	Advocated for Potential Bridge Housing Program / Units in the Waterfront Region of Santa Barbara and Hosted Learning Session with Waterfront Regional Action Plan (RAP) Stakeholders and Good Samaritan Shelter on Bridge Housing t Address Concerns and Answer Questions Coordinated with Dignity Moves to Present to All Regional Actio Plans (RAPs) and the Housing & Shelter Working Group about Bridge Housing Units Proposed for Downtown Santa Barba for a Three-Year Period in Partnership with the County of Santa Barbara
Encourage strategic use of ADUs and shared housing		

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#### Common Agenda Goal #4 Strengthen the coordination and availability of outreach and case management services for individuals, youth, and families experiencing homelessness by 25% NOTE: Quantitative Common Agenda goal progress reported in Annual Report Activities - Q1 2021 Activities - Q2 2021 Strategy Regional Action Plan Initiated to Support Progress Reports from the City of Santa Barbara on Strengthen Waterfront Residents & Businesses Owners; Encampments and City Net Regarding Outreach and Case coordination Meets Regularly on Wednesday Afternoons; All Management are Facilitated Monthly through the Regional through Regional RAPs Established Three Targeted Regions for 90 Action Plans; Launched Encampment Response Regional Day Plans Action Plan to Facilitate Information Sharing and Report on **Action Plans** Impact of the 120-Day Pilot Program to Clear Encampments in Fire-Prone Areas Presentation by Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Advocate for Department Co-Response Unit with Behavioral resources to be Wellness at Housing & Shelter Working Group allocated and Meeting; Presentation by City of Santa Barbara Police Department's Co-Response Unit at All-Call sustained in support Regional Action Plan Meeting of specialized Presentation by Wings Santa Cruz County about outreach teams Best Practices in Engaging Volunteers to Help Case Managers with Client Needs; Discussion Regarding Documentation Readiness and Length of Time it Takes to Help Clients Through This Process; Santa Barbara Public Library Stepping in to Take on This Role with Current Volunteers

Neighborhood Navigation Center(s) to support individuals experiencing homelessness and the prioritization of diversion or rapid resolution practices

Formalize approach to Reunification / Diversion Table Established at Alameda Park NNC with Formerly Unhoused Individuals Receiving Stiped for Working at Table; to Charge Electronic Devices; and Additional Partner (Santa Barbara Response Network) Engaged to Support Mental Health Needs

Advocated for and Secured Financial Investment from the City of Santa Barbara Matched by Private Foundations to Support the Alameda Park Neighborhood Navigation Center (NNC) and Charging Station Also Implemented for Individuals Expansion of the NNC to Two Additional Locations

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## The Lived Experience Working Group serves to address all 4 Common Agenda Goals

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To engage those who have lived or are living the experience of homelessness in our leadership structure and every part of our decision making as well as in creating and implementing strategies to achieve goals	NOTE: Lived Experience Working Group Paused During Pandemic, Resumed in Q2 2021 Key Contacts Served as Touchpoints for Needs of People Experiencing Homelessness During the Pandemic	Recruited 8 Individuals to Serve as the <b>Lived Experience</b> <b>Working Group</b> ; First Meeting Scheduled for July 1 to Discu Group Goals and Community Engagement Opportunities for Those Experiencing Homelessness Group Scheduled to Meet Monthly Thereafter on the 1st Thursday
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	Meeting Times	5
Working Groups		Regional Action Plans
Homelessness Prevention		Encampment Response
1st Monday 11am		Every other Wednesday 10am
Housing & Shelter		Neighborhood Navigation Centers
2nd Monday	1pm	Mondays 10am
Housing Retention	1	Waterfront Region
3rd Monday	11am	Wednesdays 3pm
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Lived Experience		
	at 4pm	Fridays 10am
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