

City of Los Angeles
Unified Homelessness Response Center Policy Group Meeting
Minutes for the meeting held on:
Wednesday, January 15, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

1. General Public Comment, Multiple Agenda Item Comment

Public comment was heard from:

- Allison Shallert, Stories from the Front Line
- Jean Choi, Koreatown for All
- Father Boyd Britton, Church of Our Savior
- No name given, no affiliation given
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2. Approval of minutes for December 18, 2019 UHRC Policy Group Meeting

Minutes were approved.

3. Cleaning and Rapid Engagement (CARE) Program Implementation

The Mayor's Office and UHRC staff provided the following updates:

- The UHRC has implemented a new interagency referral process to request support from additional City departments and partners, including the Department of Animal Services, the Department of Transportation, the Department on Disability, Metro, and Caltrans.
- The fifth mobile hygiene unit will launch next week, providing additional shower and restroom access to unsheltered residents.
- LAPD reported that approximately 8 percent of all CARE cleanup operations in the month of December included a direct request for LAPD assistance.

4. Discussion of "Inside Bridge Encampments"

Metro reported that staff have identified individuals residing inside several of its bridges. Metro notifies C3 outreach teams and requests they visit these sites and provide outreach and services.

LAFD shared that encampments in and near bridges pose high fire risks because many bridges are used as electrical conduits.

LASAN reported its staff has extensive experience working in these locations and offered to support Metro's cleanup operations at these sites.

5. Discussion of Recreational Vehicles Pilot

Council District 2 shared the rationale of the pilot program is not to impound more vehicles, but to connect more residents to shelter and housing.

6. Next Meeting - Potential Agenda Items

No items were discussed.

7. Next Scheduled Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 29, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm.