



# Housing Outreach Team



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Salte el equipo de AntFarm, y no tenía idea de qué esperar.

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# Why Partnerships?

- ***Martin V. Boise***- Ninth Circuit's landmark decision resolved that the Eighth Amendment prohibits cities from criminalizing the status of homelessness itself by punishing individuals for sleeping outside when they have nowhere else to go.
- ***Social Responsibility***- Stakeholders expect a different approach in addressing non criminal matters utilizing specially trained experts to target underlying causes (mental health, domestic violence, drug addictions, inadequate support systems, etc..) in seeking long term solutions.
- ***Limited Resources***- Public safety organizations have significant challenges to aid those facing chronic homelessness (lack of staff, funding, dedicated positions, lack of advanced training in trauma informed care, etc..)
- ***Public Safety***- Responsibility to protect all members of the public while preserving the natural resources of our parks and trails.



# Information Gathering

- ★ Homeless Task Force
- ★ Social Services Task Force
- ★ Community Listening Session
  1. What does your organization do and what services does it provide?
  2. What are the gaps for services for addressing homelessness in Sandy?
  3. What suggestions or ideas do you have for how the City of Sandy can help fill the gaps?
- ★ Ongoing conversation with Ant Farm & Sandy PD



***“Empathy is simply listening, holding space, withholding judgment, emotionally connecting, and communicating that incredibly healing message of you’re not alone.”***

***Brene Brown***

# Housing Referral Line

- ❑ Workforce Development & Life Skills
- ❑ RV's removed with housing placement
- ❑ Housing Stability for Youth & Families
  - ❑ Transitional Housing Placement
- ❑ Strengthening Relationships with School Districts
  - ❑ Camp & Trash Cleanups

***“Compassion, empathy, and love are the real pillars we need to build within ourselves to become human.” Loknath***

# Prevention, Sustainability, & Stability

- A. Clackamas County & Oregon Health Authority Covid-19 Eviction Prevention Services for over 2,600 households
- A. AntFarm community response for 13 years in mental health and addictions triage for services
- A. Youth and Family housing stability planning for many local families



# Before & After

Tupper Trail



Industrial Way



Ruben Ln



# Current & Future Challenges

- Portland Metro Displacement to Rural Areas
- New Avenue of Access through Public Transit (82nd Ave/Happy Valley/Unincorporated Clackamas County)
- Sustained & Reliable Funding Sources
- Community Education
- Pragmatic Expectations

***“Leadership is about empathy. It is about having the ability to relate to and connect with people for the purpose of inspiring and empowering their lives.” Oprah Winfrey***



# Questions?



**“Love is not patronizing and charity isn’t about pity, it is about love. Charity and love are the same — with charity you give love, so don’t just give money but reach out your hand instead.”**

**-Mother Teresa**

