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HOMELESS COALITION AD HOC COMMITTEE

Sunday January 17th, 2016 9:00am

Polka Dot Plaza, 1523 Griffith Park Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90026.

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TIMES ARE FOR REFERENCE ONLY. ITEMS MAY BE ADDRESSED OUT OF THE ORDER LISTED.

1. Call to Order and introductions-

- a. In attendance: Joseph- community member at risk of being homeless, Al Guerrero- committee member, Christine Kantner- Board and committee member, Leni Fleming- committee member, Dorit- committee chair.

2. Approval of Minutes- August minutes approved

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items-

- a. Joseph shared his story and background. He is an Air Force veteran, Vietnam War, with an honorable discharge. He has been homeless in the past. He and his wife are having a hard time meeting current rent payments. The committee will reach out to Veterans Administration social worker to see if Joseph is eligible for homeless prevention assistance.
- b. All in attendance shared memories of Danny Dresser, committee member and local homeless advocate who was experiencing homelessness himself, who passed away last month. The conversation sparked ideas of other ways the committee could support community members experiencing homelessness. The ideas listed below under item 7; Agenda items for Next Meeting.

4. Correspondence- see item 6.a below.
5. Old Business – none
6. New Business - Winter shelters: Discuss- partnering with local establishments (churches, halls) about opening a winter shelter for our homeless community members.
 - a. Two churches, one in Echo Park and one in Los Feliz, have reached out to SLNC Homeless Coalition asking for help using the churches as winter shelters.
 - b. The committee agreed to assist in any winter shelter near Silver Lake but since the shelters are not located in Silver Lake it will not be a SLNC Homeless Coalition projects.
 - c. The committee will reach out to Silver Lake leaders who have the ability to motivate community members to volunteer in manning a shelter.
 - d. The committee linked the church in Echo Park to CD1 and the Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority (LAHSA) which will allow them to seek funding for the shelter.
 - e. Christine will reach out to CD4 to find out the name and contact info for the CD4's staff dealing with homelessness and link the church in Los Feliz.
 - f. The committee will link the church in Los Feliz to LAHSA.
7. Agenda Items for Next Meeting-
 - a. Community engagement opportunities for community members experiencing homelessness.
8. Announcements- none
9. Adjournment- all committee members took a hand full of "Homeless Court Clinic" flyers to pass out in Homeless Hot Spot communities/ encampments in Silver Lake.