



TOWN HALL - HOMELESSNESS



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Agenda

Frequently Asked Questions

Q&A

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with hands tied behind our backs

Frequently Asked Questions

Is the City aware of the homeless situation and why aren't you doing anything about it?

Homeless Programs



PERMANENT HOUSING

A Way Back Home
Housing Navigation
Housing Assistance Program/
Flex Funds



OUTREACH/OTHER

PD Homeless Outreach Team
Outreach Events
Crisis House
EC Homeless Task Force



EMERGENCY SHELTER

ECTLC
Home Start
Cabins at Meridian Baptist Church
Interfaith Shelter Network



NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION

Neighborhood Quality of Life
Team & Clean-up Events

Homeless Programs-Partners



DOING
THE MOST
GOOD®



HOME START
Strengthening Families Protects Children



ECTLC
East County Transitional
Living Center



MERIDIAN
BAPTIST CHURCH



INTERFAITH
SHELTER
NETWORK



RESULTS



<u>Program</u>	<u>In 2022</u>	<u>Since 2020</u>
Permanently Housed	174	1,092
Temporarily Sheltered	569	2,472
# of Outreach Events	26	91
# of Clean Up Events	311	427
Tons Removed	264	874



Frequently Asked Questions

**Why don't you arrest
homeless that are camping,
trespassing, or using drugs
in the open?**

Constraints

- Loss of “local control”
- California laws decriminalizing crime
- No bail policies
- County jail policies
- Lack of prosecution

Frequently Asked Questions

Why are there so many homeless in El Cajon and none in other areas like La Jolla?

- Historically a hub for social services in East County
- High percentage of affordable housing


Affordable Housing

- Some cities have more affordable housing than others.
- Many factors why.
- On average, in SD County, 46.7% of housing is categorized as “low,” “very low,” or “extremely low.”

Affordable Housing

Cities with the least affordable housing:

Del Mar	-50.9%
Solana Beach	-47.8%
Carlsbad	-41.3%
Coronado	-38.0%
Encinitas	-37.2%
Poway	-33.5%
Santee	-26.1%
San Marcos	-3.3%
Chula Vista	-0.9%



% Below
Regional
Average

Affordable Housing

Cities with the most affordable housing:

La Mesa	3.7%
Oceanside	5.5%
San Diego	6.5%
Escondido	15.2%
Vista	22.8%
Imperial Beach	28.3%
El Cajon	+30.2%
Lemon Grove	30.4%
National City	46.7%



% Above
Regional
Average

	% of County's Pop	% of Region's Homeless
San Diego	42%	58%
Unincorporated	17%	2%
Chula Vista	7%	4%
Oceanside	5%	6%
Escondido	5%	4%
Carlsbad	4%	1%
El Cajon	3%	16%
Vista	3%	1%
San Marcos	3%	0%
Encinitas, SB, DM	2%	1%
La Mesa	2%	1%
Santee	2%	2%
National City	2%	2%
Poway	1%	0%
Lemon Grove	1%	0%
Imperial Beach	1%	0%
Coronado	1%	0%

Two Questions

- Select a spokesperson
- 10 minutes
- Report back



- 1) What to do about those that refuse help but insist on living on street?
- 2) How can a city address the root problems of mental illness and substance abuse?