

The People Concern Malibu Outreach Team

October 2021 Report

Narrative

Outcomes

In October 2021, the total number of contacts made by the outreach team was 118, with 41 unduplicated contacts. 2 individuals were contacted in permanent or temporary housing. Of the 41 unduplicated contacts, 8 were new contacts, with 2 of them becoming repeat contacts. There are currently 110 individuals on the streets of Malibu that have been previously engaged. 61 are considered in various stages of engagement, and 49 are refusing services at this point. The outreach team continues to contact these individuals with the goal of getting them engaged in the housing process.

Success Story

Over the past several years, the City of Malibu has traditionally hosted an annual "Connect Day" offering homeless individuals an opportunity to connect with local agencies whom offer services. Due to the Covid19 pandemic, last year's event was canceled, however, we are happy to announce that this year's event was given the green light! On October 7, 2021, 31 local agencies, businesses and service providers arrived on site and set up shop at the Library allowing for homeless individuals to take advantage of a plethora of resources made available to them. From cell phones and haircuts to legal assistance and DMV services, this year's Connect Day provided our clients with services by creating a one stop shop, right in the heart of Malibu. Nearly everyone in attendance was able to receive a meal and services, allowing them to reduce barriers and bring them one step closer to housing.

Community Interaction

As the fire season approaches, many of our clients have been forced to relocate due to their encampments location and high threat of fire in certain areas. As a result, individuals whom have been affected have migrated to other parts of Malibu to which local residents and business owners may not be accustomed to.

In an effort to maintain and build off an already strong network of local resources, the outreach team has continued to build strong partnerships with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, local city officials, residents and business owners alike. These network connections have allowed us to form stronger communications which allow us to locate and work with clients in a more effective manner.

Additionally, the outreach team has taken a proactive approach in that our case managers are committed to build an even stronger relationship with the community and have actively engaged with local businesses to expand on this network.

Next Steps

With the cold and wet winter weather quickly on its way, the outreach team has continued to provide warm clothing, tents and blankets to ensure those whom are sleeping on the streets stay warm and dry. In addition, the outreach team has consistently made an effort to offer indoor shelter at local winter shelters in Los Angeles County. Likewise, outreach workers have continued to provide transportation to these shelters and assist clients with the process of obtaining shelter both temporary and permanent.