

The People Concern Malibu Outreach Team

July 2021 Report

Narrative

Outcomes

In July 2021, the total number of contacts made by the outreach team was 74, with 29 unduplicated contacts. 2 individuals were contacted in permanent or temporary housing. Of the 29 unduplicated contacts, 7 were new contacts, with 2 of them becoming repeat contacts. There are currently 102 individuals on the streets of Malibu that have been previously engaged. 50 are considered in various stages of engagement, and 52 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

The king of surfrider... For more than 6 years a gentleman who we lovingly refer to as "The King of Surfrider" has been living in his van at Surfrider beach. Although this gentleman was matched to a housing voucher after the Woosley fire it has taken more than 2 years to get him on board with looking for an apartment. The barrier that we were facing with this particular gentleman was he simply did not want to leave Malibu. This is common instance with a lot of our clients. Through the efforts of the outreach team and ICMS (Intensive Case Management Services) we were finally able to get the King of Surfrider into his very own apartment. Now he can spend his days at the beach and his nights in his very own home. Another win!

Community Interaction

The team continues to have interactions with local leaders, concerned community members, the Sheriff's Department, Zuma Beach lifeguards, and various churches in the area as well as our friends at CART. These interactions are helpful and provide guidance in locating and assisting particular individuals.

Medical/Psychiatric Outreach: Both Dr. King and Dr. Ryan from VFC continue to provide service to the homeless community in Malibu on a weekly basis with the outreach team as a way to bring both medical and psychiatric services directly to clients on the streets of Malibu. The Team continues to engage clients that are in need of medical and psychiatric assistance who otherwise may not have accepted any services at all.

Strategic Working Group: The team continues to participate in the regular working group meetings to provide input from the streets to assist in implementing the goals set forth by the strategic planning committee.

The Outreach team has continued to participate in planning committee meetings for Malibu Connect Day. We are very excited about the strides being made and look forward to participating in such a great event.

Next Steps

The outreach team will begin to place more focus on the vehicle dwellers along PCH. It can be a little difficult at times to determine who is visiting the beach and whom is actually camping on PCH but the Outreach team's goal is to focus our efforts on trying to sift through and make as many connections as possible to those in need.