



DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELESSNESS AND
SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Embarcadero SAFE Navigation Center

Port Commission Meeting
March 12, 2019

Challenge of Homelessness

- San Francisco faces a significant challenge of homeless encampments.
- **7,500** people experience homelessness in San Francisco on any given night.*
- **4,300** of those people are unsheltered living on the streets.*
- The Embarcadero consistently faces challenges of unsheltered homelessness.
- The waterfront does not have a facility in the immediate area to serve this population.

Responding to the Challenge

- In October 2018 Mayor Breed announced a plan to open 1,000 more shelter beds in the next two years.
- 212 beds have already been opened under this initiative.
- 800 additional beds will be opened by the end of 2020.
- 300 new units of master lease housing will be opening in the next 6 months.
- 1,000 new Permanent Supportive Housing units are in the development pipeline.

SAFE Navigation Center

Build off of the best aspects of Navigation Centers and makes them more scalable, sustainable, and effective.

- Temporary residential facility
- Onsite support services
- No walk-ins or lines
- Client-serving amenities



Division Circle Navigation Center

Embarcadero SAFE Navigation Center

- 175-225 bed facility
- Port owned property
- Projected opening late summer 2019
- Operate for four years
- Will prioritize unsheltered people sleeping in waterfront neighborhoods

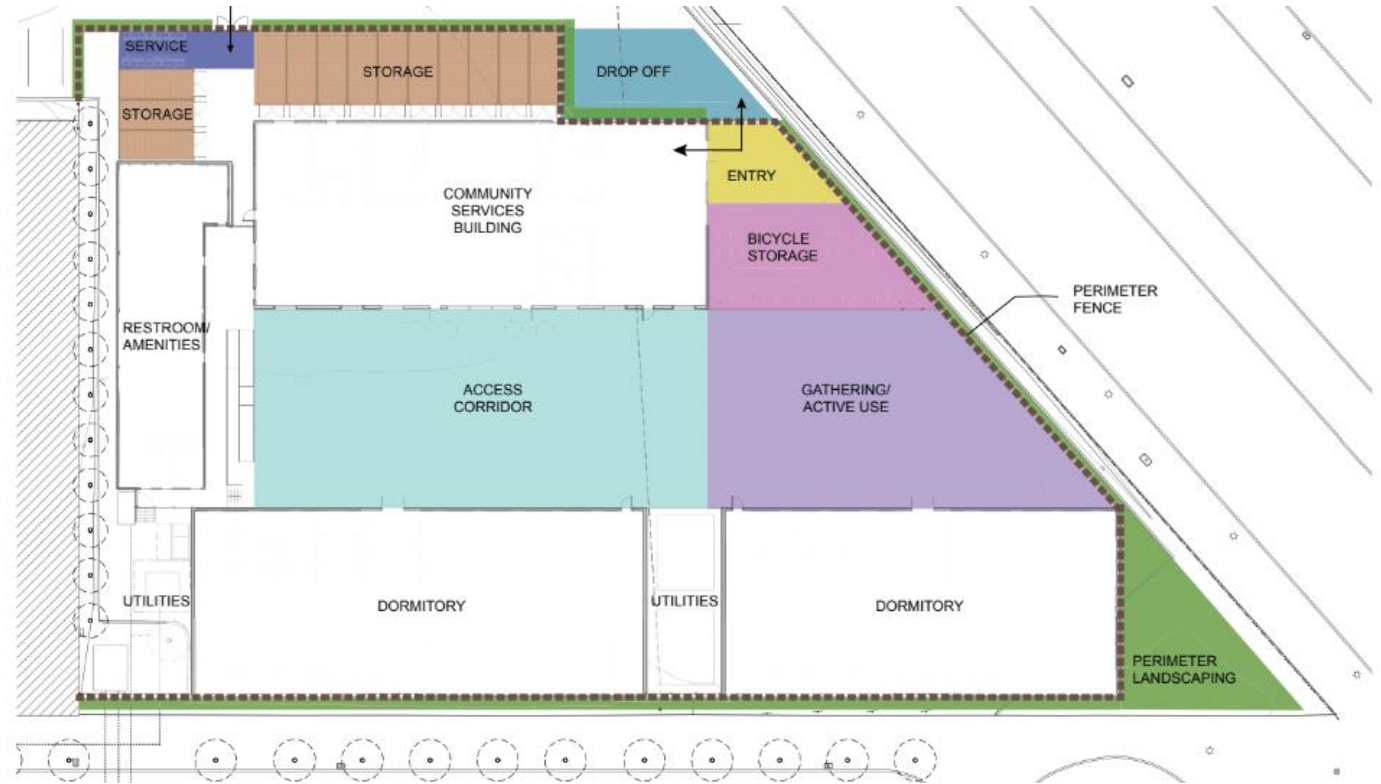


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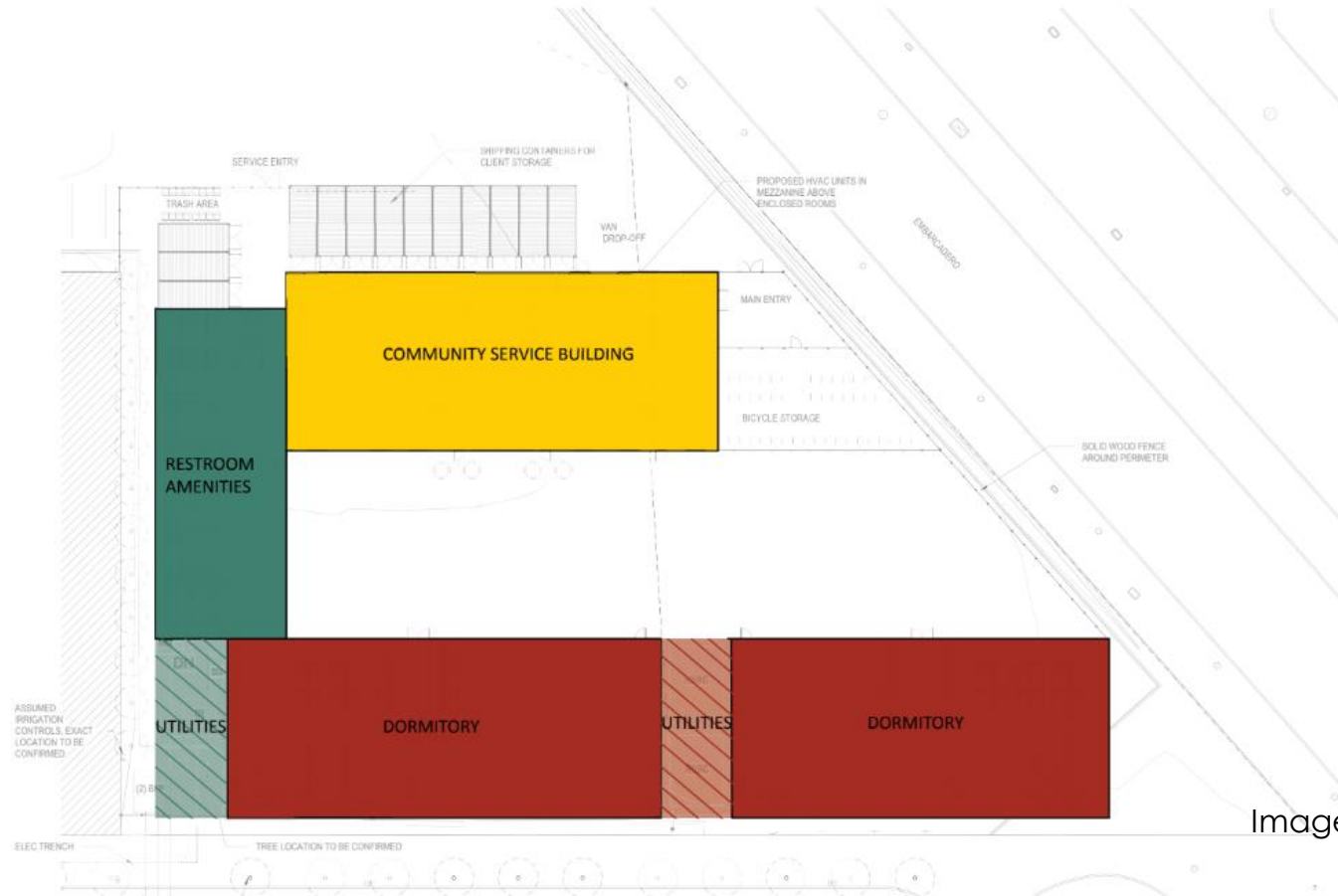


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Being a Good Neighbor

HSH includes a Good Neighbor Policy in all SAFE Navigation Center contracts. The policy will be implemented by the onsite service provider and will include:

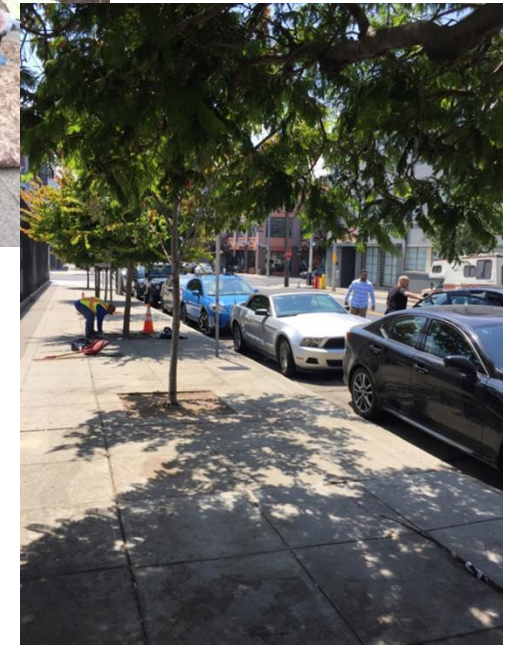
- Working with neighbors & City departments to address neighborhood concerns.
- Participating in appropriate neighborhood and community meetings.
- Having onsite staff available via phone 24/7 to address on-site concerns.
- Minimizing neighborhood impact by having 24/7 security and not allowing walk-ins.

Being a Good Neighbor

- Actively discourage loitering immediate area.
- Inform the community of the services available at the Navigation Center.
- Maintain the safety and cleanliness of the area immediately surrounding the facility with security and cleaning crews.
- Ensure the sidewalks and driveway adjacent to the facility are not blocked.
- Prioritizing clients who are sleeping in the area.

Success Story – Mission District

- Over 700 people engaged, with ~70% accepting placement at the 1515 South Van Ness Navigation Center or other sites.
- There were nearly 300 tents and structures on June, 20 2017; less than 40 were remaining in April 2018. That level has been maintained w/help from Division Circle Navigation Center
- Area around the Navigation Centers have been kept tent-free.



Success Story - Clients



***CP, Central Waterfront Navigation Center**

CP was homeless for over 2 years and has been staying at the Central Waterfront Navigation Center since December 2018. While there, she became stabilized and gained employment as a security guard. CP is now looking forward to moving into her own apartment in the next 30 days.

*Client declined to share name.



Diva Peak, Central Waterfront Navigation Center Guest

Diva Peak has spent the least 15 years of her life homeless living on the streets of San Francisco and was brought into the CWNC by the HOT Team. While there she managed to stay focused in her goal to find housing, and be the support her partner needed while living in the encampments. By her following through with the programs at ECS she didn't only end homelessness for her, but for her boyfriend as-well. She just moved into supportive housing at The Rose.

Thank you

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