

Meeting notes 5/24/21

Attendees

- Jessie Maran
- Matchu Williams
- Tina Kimmey
- Dave Weaver- Kerns NA
- Ash Hester
- Lindsey
- Lotus
- Sean McClintock- chair Foster/Powell NA
- Sarah Riddle - South Tabor neighbor
- Eric Furlong- Foster/Powell NA
- Janet McManus - Laurelhurst
- Stop the Sweeps- Benjamin, Lou, Mo

Meeting notes

- Dave Suggested setting up a google group or medium to connect members in between meetings
- Ash - suggested creating an outreach kit

Stop the Sweeps -

https://twitter.com/StopSweepsPDX?ref_src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Eauthor

- Benjamin, Lou; Mo - Defense fund
- Coalition of a variety of groups
 - Has made a broad range of connections with City and County organizations
- Projects
 - Currently working with Portland Business alliance and role in local projects
 - Defense fund - Main defense currently is laurelhurst park; mutual aide
 - Uplift of peer projects, harm reduction services
- Advocacy- right to rest act
- Open to working with neighborhood associations to create equitable solutions
- Would be helpful to know what level of engagement is present within each of the neighborhoods
 - interested in sweep training- available
 - Narcan training - available
 - Building relationships with campers
- Discussion of county commissioner - neighborhood based encampment plan
 - Janet- more advocacy is needed
- Contact information
 - stopthesweepspdx@gmail.com
 - PDX_DefenseFund@protonmail.com

Multnomah county commissioner Sharon Meieran plan to create funding and sanctioning camping within neighborhoods

- Would be an advocacy point
- Needs 2 more votes on the commission
- Vote to be June 3rd - focus on Commissioners Jayapal, Peterson

Sara Riddle- works with Camp in Foster Powell neighborhood

- Harm reduction- needle exchange, narcan distribution, trash removal
- Wishes she had a flowchart or algorithm to help people
 - "Where to get a tent"
 - Where to find the resources
 - Benjamin - Street roots and
 - Lou - Joint office has great resources and donations; can get reimbursed

Sean - Foster Powell - recently formed its own Houselessness action committee

- Looking for downward structure

Jes - idea of a coordinated inventory of land

- Create a survey group for the SE?

HAC objectives brainstorm for SE Uplift

- SE Uplift supports safe, inclusive and affordable housing for all
- SE Uplift supports improving and promoting safety and livability for our neighbors who are currently unhoused
- SE Uplift welcomes diverse initiatives to address the basic needs and safety of our houseless population
- SE Uplift acts to create an open, diverse and accessible forum for neighbors to discuss issues related to houselessness and connect ongoing efforts throughout South East Portland
- SE Uplift advocates for a policies and solutions to address the ongoing houselessness crisis
- SE Uplift pledges to promote solutions and actions that ensure equity

Action items

- HAC forum- google groups
- Jes will send out information about the County vote/proposal