

## SSC3 Community Info Session Zoom Chat 10-19-22

7:12 PM Keith to Everyone

I live in a neighborhood "impacted" by a nearby city-sanctioned homeless camp

7:12 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

I live near the 2nd Safe Stay Community. It's been a positive experience for me.

7:13 PM William Coolev (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

Thank you, Keith and Brandi, for joining us this evening.

7:15 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

is the decision about this site is already made or is it still being discussed?

7:17 PM Nancy Pionk, Facilitator (she/her) to Everyone

Thanks Elena - we'll make sure this question is addressed when we get to the Q&A portion

7:18 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

It sounds to me like it's already been decided and the tax paying communities opinions on it do not matter. There is also no data being presented to us on crime stats or rehoused people.

7:18 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Who has made this decision and when?

7:22 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

The Bamboo looks cool

7:22 PM Ren Autrev (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

some of those fencing options looked really nice!

7:22 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

You can read the full report by visiting: <https://www.cityofvancouver.us/cmo/page/city-shares-six-month-report-first-safe-stay-community>

7:23 PM Eric Peterson to Everyone

Will usage of narcotics and other mood mind altering drugs be allowed in certain circumstances?

7:23 PM bheim to Everyone

What percentage of people that you offer the Safe Stay to that they decline to live in a Safe Stay Community. How do you prioritize to offer Safe Stav units to?

7:23 PM Eric Peterson to Everyone

Can residents of Stay Safe communities assist in building, maintaining, planning, and managing?

7:24 PM tatiana xenelis to Everyone

Are these Safe Space drug and alcohol free?

7:24 PM Eric Peterson to Everyone

Will City of Vancouver assist in cutting of red tape for small businesses struggling with hiring people?

7:24 PM bheim to Everyone

Do the Safe Stay communities have meal facilities? If not. what do the residents do for meals?

7:25 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Who is going to take responsibility for any crimes committed in the area?

7:25 PM Eric Peterson to Everyone

Regarding policing, can an average VPD officer identify and mitigate perceived or actual mental breakdowns?

What can be done to address issues of unhoused persons walking into retail spaces stealing both merchandise from the companies as well as vehicles from the overly stressed workers?

7:27 PM          bheim to Everyone

How many other communities like this new one does Outsiders Inn manage and in what other cities or states?

7:27 PM          Eric Peterson to Everyone

Regarding Outsiders Inn, why is it ok to allow people who are involved with this specific program and group allowed to smoke strong marijuana outside of the headquarters?

7:28 PM          William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

Thank you for sharing your questions. We're monitoring the chat and will try to answer as many questions as possible during the Q&A portion.

7:29 PM          Keith to Everyone

I echo Elena's question: "is the decision about this site is already made or is it still being discussed?"

7:31 PM          Sally to Everyone

Mr. Kravitz said homelessness is stabilized first and then other things are dealt with. What is the time frame that someone is given for stabilization? Is there a contract between the organization and person?

7:31 PM          Elena Burns to Everyone

How much does the city pay for this project? say, the cost of one housing per year?

7:33 PM          Eric Peterson to Everyone

Are we allowed to ask at least one question which will be answered?

7:38 PM          Elena Burns to Everyone

Why do you need to bring this project right to downtown to discourage all investors, all businesses, and residents from living and working here..? Who do you think will be investing in downtown when you put this camp right in the center.?

7:39 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Police are already short staffed to handle calls as it is. What will be done to handle the increased patrolling needs around the downtown community? Why are we welcoming more homelessness and drugs into downtown Vancouver? They are already coming over from Portland. Vandalism, open drug use in the park, human feces and mentally unstable individuals are already downtown. This isn't going to help these individuals, It's going to be a source of drug use and more dangerous individuals. Downtown is for family, shopping, tourism and investment. This is the opposite of the direction of downtown Vancouver.

7:39 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

where do those "elected officials" live? Can they maybe locate this camp next to their properties?

Does the Outsiders Inn manage the camps in Portland too? Elena Burns to Everyone There is nothing more permanent than a temporary thing - trust me!

7:41 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

I would much rather have people housed in safe communities rather than camping on the street. The homeless people are already there. This is one of the ways to help them,

7:43 PM Breanna Minneker to Everyone

Beat me to it Brandi! It seems there is some confusion between what unmanaged "camps" are and what Safe Stay communities aim to offer.

7:43 PM Macie Maiewski to Everyone

I might have missed this, if the program is successful, could it be renewed for another 3 years?

7:43 PM Sally to Everyone

did anyone consider the proximity to the pot shops for those that have substance abuse issues?

7:43 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

no. Outsiders Inn does not operate any of the Portland Safe Stay communities.

7:44 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

You may be able to take tours of the existing communities.

7:46 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

I lived in Portland next to one of those communities and it was DISGUSTING. I moved out of Portland. instead in my new home in Vancouver and now will be facing THIS?! just great..

7:47 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

I live close to the second one. It's not DISGUSTING at all. I recommend taking a tour. You may be pleasantly surprised

7:47 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

a mistypo in my previous message. Meant to say "I invested in my new home in Vancouver"

Noone will ever be able to control the drug and alcohol in this camp.

7:49 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

thank you Brandi. Yes, persons can connect with visits or tours. [connect@outsidersinn.org](mailto:connect@outsidersinn.org)

7:49 PM Michele W to Everyone

Ren, Adam, and Jamie: you do good work. Thank you.

7:49 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

Adam. I appreciate your response. Its ridiculous to expect someone to recover without strong social bonds. A stable community is necessary and I am glad you provide it.

7:50 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

never say never! -- I have seen big changes within spaces and persons.

7:52 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

How the resident of this area can voice our voice against it? Can we openly vote? We live and work here - we have to have a chance to speak out!

Please address the cost of this project.

7:52 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

Calls for service to the police department reduced 30% in the first six months of operations in the area around our first Safe Stay Community.

7:53 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

This is one of the ways. You can also go to a city council meeting

7:54 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

For more information on Vancouver's Homeless Assistance & Resources Team (HART), please visit:  
<https://www.cityofvancouver.us/cmo/page/homelessassistance-resources-team-hart>

7:54 PM Lon Pluckhahn DCM to Everyone

We don't have the full costs yet, as the setup (fencing type, etc.) will have some impact on that. But the operating contract for each site is between \$600-700,000 per year. This includes 24/7 onsite services and staffing, security, etc. The city provides sanitary facilities as well.

7:55 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

For \$700,000 a year, how many people is one site serving?

7:55 PM Patrick Quinlan/Hope Village to Everyone

Visitors are welcome at Site #2 - Hope Village. Please contact us at [hopevillage@liveloveoutreach.com](mailto:hopevillage@liveloveoutreach.com) or call our Office at 360-768-5583. We will be happy to discuss the achievements' and challenges of our Safe Stay site at 4915 NE Fourth Plain.

7:56 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Why are we making it more accepted to be homeless? Portland tried this and even voted to decriminalize drugs. They defunded the police and allow camping anywhere. Look at what's happening. Retail theft. Car theft, catalytic converter theft, drug use. Gun related violence is at an all time high. The FBI has a dedicated task force for Portland gun violence. Tourism is down. Businesses are leaving Portland that have been there for 30+ years. People are not wanting to visit downtown Portland and don't feel safe.

If we want to provide a safe place a different area would be better. This is a vibrant growing community that isn't in a position to handle this now. It's going to ultimately deter businesses to move in and people to want to be downtown.

7:56 PM Lon Pluckhahn DCM to Everyone

The cost per person continually goes down as more people are able to successfully transition to long-term housing.

7:57 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her)- COV to Everyone

We haven't been open for a full year yet, but it appears as though we're on track to serve around 100 people per year per site.

7:58 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

I think the cost moral and financial is far greater to not doing things like this.

7:58 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Why is the city allowed to spend that much money on something like this without voter approval? \$700,000 a year is an incredible amount of money that could go towards many things.

7:58 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Aaron is 100% right. I lived in PDS downtown till the end of 2020. It became a TRASH city. If you do bring such camps to downtown Vancouver - trust me - in a couple of year you will have exactly the same situation here

meant, pdx

8:00 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

this is a pro-active change in funding thought patterns - instead of a law enforcement response this is a more collaborative approach that includes community reconnection processes so next steps in housing will have more successful attemots.

8:00 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Besides \$700,000 a year, how much does it cost to put one camp on the ground to begin with?

8:01 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

I would like to know who specifically proposed this camp in this location. Names and their titles, please.

8:02 PM Steven Culp- SafePark to Everyone

I rather see homelessness in a clean safe place downtown then spread all over on the streets. these ppl are working toward getting out of homelessness and being part of society again and honestly I would be impressed that a city is taking care of ppl as a tourist

8:02 PM Lon Pluckhahn DCM to Everyone

Cost to set it up varies up a lot depending on site conditions and the work that needs to be done to get it ready. It can run up to \$200,000 for setup.

8:03 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

Steven I agree completely. Its impossible not to spend money but we can spend it wisely.

8:03 PM

Elena Burns to Everyone

the cost that you are proving, how many people does it serve?

providing.

Give us a cost per one mini-house per year

8:03 PM          Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

Elena, that question was already answered above.

8:04 PM          Aaron Potter to Everyone

This has been a one sided meeting with everyone on the side of putting the homeless camp in place being able to talk. I 100% feel that we have not had a chance as community members to voice our opinion properly. I will not be surprised to see this pushed into place and we are left to live, work, shop and recreate in this area with the consequences. Police will not increase their activity here. There will be problems. Everyone has acted as if this is a bullet proof solution and there are zero negatives to allowing this to happen.

8:04 PM          Elena Burns to Everyone

Jamie, what question? Please repeat the answer

Ok, if someone is happy with some other camps next to them, one more camps there, not here

8:06 PM          Elena Burns to Everyone

open one more there, not here

Again, please provide names of the people making this decisions and the cost of the project per one mini -house.

8:07 PM          Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

We haven't been open for a full year yet, but it appears as though we're on track to serve around 100 people per year per site.

8:07 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

We need to have a chance to address our concerns using legal services

8:08 PM Lon Pluckhahn DCM to Everyone

Elena-the people who did the research and made this recommendation are on the call. The HART team does the research and makes the recommendations.

8:08 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Jamie, please be very specific in the numbers you are proving. If you do not have one year data, please provide an average data per month

Lon, got it, thanks

8:09 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

The six-month report for Vancouver's first Safe Stay Community is available at:  
<https://www.cityofvancouver.us/cmo/page/city-shares-six-month-report-first-safe-stay-community>

8:11 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

They will run you around forever with getting an answer. It's police understaffing, laziness and excuses. Their systems are outdated and they aren't updating their websites because of lack of motivation or funding. They don't care about broken windows downtown or the petty crimes. It's obvious. We as citizens are left to deal with this.

8:12 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Aaron, 200%

8:13 PM Anson to Everyone

If the data on crime reporting is broken, how do we know the crime data is accurate and or reduced in the area that is being reported as reduced?

8:13 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Anson, 100%

completely dysfunctional

8:13 PM Tyler w/HART to Everyone

I answered that...the accurate data exists...its the interface that is broken, not the data

8:14 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Brody, it's their friends and aquaninces that will attract more crime. It's a fact. 90% of homeless use hard drugs. Not weed. Not alcohol. Meth, heroin and crack. It's mental issues and a lack of mental resources and mental hospitals to help them.

8:14 PM Steven Culp- SafePark to Everyone

100% Brody those that are part of the safestay will be known and if they commit a crime I'm sure that staff would hear about it as well as notify vod.

8:15 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Let's now care about any data at this point. The main point is that it is the LOCAL RESIDENTS plus BUSINESS have to vote for or again it, no one else should be making such decisions.

8:15 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

That is NOT a fact about homelessness and SUDs.

8:16 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Lon, you sound like you are prepared to move into the house next door to this camp because it's so much safer than anywhere else in the city according to your testimony.

8:16 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

Aaron, can I see research on that. I have met many houseless people who have simply been priced out of the housing market.

8:16 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Aaron.. 100%

8:16 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

The people who live in the communities get mental help. Most homeless people are not drug addicts. A lot of us are only 1 paycheck away from homelessness.

8:16 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

Brandi, exactly.

8:16 PM Eric Peterson to Everyone

Thank you very much to each of you who are working to solve these issues. I think that intense work and thought is going into this.

8:16 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Brody, walk around downtown. I do everyday. I've called 311 many times. They don't care about drug use.

8:16 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Not only ME, everyone who lives here!

8:16 PM Steven Culp- SafePark to Everyone

Aaron the participants at safe stay are trying to better them selves and getting away from the hard drugs and crime so

they don't want those ppl/friends around to derail there progress to getting clean and back into society

8:17 PM Patrick Quinlan/Hope Village to Everyone

Hope Village has had NO emergency calls for police support and only one need for an Officer's assistance.

8:17 PM Michele W to Everyone

Jamie, isn't it true that at least some of the funding for our Safe Stay Communities come from the money approved by voters for Housing support 5 years ago? The voters in Vancouver overwhelmingly supported this funding already.

8:18 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

Michele, that is correct.

8:18 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

as the owner of my home, I will lose in my home value once this camp is set up here. WHO is going to recover my loss???

8:18 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Steven, I have a friend that was in a safe stay community. He managed to save enough money up so he could leave and then go on a giant drug bender. Enabling That's all this is.

8:19 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

@Elana - I also own a home. The value of my home has gone up. I live near the 2nd community.

8:19 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

Thank you Adam for your story and your work.

8:20 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Noone is against homeless people. We, as residents, are against the location for this camp. Find the location that will not affect negatively other residents, businesses, and will not affect our homes values.

8:21 PM Lon Pluckhahn DCM to Everyone

Aaron, that is simply not true that this is enabling. While some individuals are not yet ready to move out of homelessness, they have a far better chance if they participate in a safe stay program than if they are on the street.

8:21 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

Why is your location better/different than any other location in Vancouver?

8:21 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

There are already food banks and resources downtown. This isn't a good location period. It's so close to Esther short park, churches, apartments, small business. It's a terrible location.

8:21 PM Sallie Reavey to Everyone

This is supposed to be an opportunity to voice our oppositions.....it is simply a sales job by the city. I am very angry.....I watched Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune, one hour, before you took one question. I am sick of your SUGAR COATING and sales! I am VICTIMIZED. And you do not even care about the residents and business owners whose lives and livelihoods are impacted.

8:22 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

you did not answer most of our questions. You are just speaking about things you want to speak about to make it look good. This is hypocrisy!

8:22 PM Steven Culp- SafePark to Everyone

Aaron I'm sorry about your friend but that isn't the case from the majority of the ppl who are participating. I to have lost a friend to drugs. I have seen and toured the first safe stay and I truly believe it works for those who really are wanting to better them selves

8:23 PM Breanna Minneker to Everyone

Just want to say thank you to Outsiders Inn. HART and our neighborhood officers for the time and information tonight! I'm a homeowner just up the street from the proposed location and look forward to seeing the progress of this development and its eventual impact.

8:23 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

Also for restaurant owners 40 people within walking distance of your restaurant isn't a bad deal.

8:24 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

If you have a question that you'd like to ask or a comment that you'd like to share, please click on "Reactions" and "Raise Hand."

8:24 PM bheim to Everyone

I may have missed this subject: are the residents of the Safe Stay able to invite friends to visit them in their unit?

8:24 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

There are TONS of empty buildings around the city. Find one to house those people, instead of building these ugly camps wasting so much money

8:25 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

Visitors are allowed in the community space, but not in the individual units

8:25 PM Steven Culp- SafePark to Everyone

bheim no visitors in the units there is a visitors area though that staff can see so there are no illegal activities

8:25 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

I too feel like I just watched a sales presentation. I had no voice. This is already happening. We as tax paying people that live next to this have zero vote on this. I will be mobilizing a campaign against this. You clearly do not have anyone here that is a city official speaking against this. This is not how you do a meeting.

8:29 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

Incredible thank you all so much for all you do!!

8:29 PM Patrick Quinlan/Hope Village to Everyone

Hope Village office phone 360-768-5583

8:29 PM Sallie Reavey to Everyone

This meeting is making me SICK... MENTALLY AND PHYSICALLY. You don't care one single bit about the property owners or business owners. You only care about the pathetic homeless people. Do you good work somewhere else. There is plenty of property that has been abandoned. Put them there. I am fed up hearing about these degenerates who will ruin our life!

8:29 PM Adam Kravitz Outsidersinn to Everyone  
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8:30 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone  
connect@outsidersinn.org

8:30 PM Elena Burns to Everyone  
Again and again. ONLY residents can decide on this matter. not some "elected officials"

8:31 PM Ren Autry (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone  
volunteer opportunities : [https:// www.mealtrain.com/groups/outsidersinn](https://www.mealtrain.com/groups/outsidersinn)

8:31 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Would it be possible to see a list of city councils members who support this? I want to know who to vote against. They clearly don't have our taxes, well being and businesses in mind. I'm sorry but statistics do not lie. Most homelessness is from drug use. Not someone that can't afford rent. Your talking points about the housing market are mute.

8:31 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone  
and Elena... the Vancouver Business Journal is taking a poll about this also...  
<https://www.vbiusa.com/news/top-stories/safe-stay-poll/>

8:32 PM Macie Majewski to Everyone

Thank you all for the info and your time!

8:32 PM Brody Sargent (He/Him) to Everyone

Thank you all for your great work. This was great and I really hope the project goes well and you get more.

8:33 PM Ren Autry (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

thank you everyone for your support and sharing your concerns.

8:34 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Some way is not good enough!

8:35 PM Anson to Everyone

I am not debating that these people do need help. It has been shown that homeless populations has had a negative influence on tourist/visitor/public spaces. Given the proximity to The Vancouver Convention Center, Esther Short Park, and the overall goal of revitalizing downtown Vancouver, is this the best location for this?

8:37 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Maybe have the costs and data planned ahead of time. Utterly terrible preparation.

8:38 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her)- COV to Everyone

It's certainly true that unsanctioned camping has negative impacts on the things you mentioned. That's the purpose of establishing managed sites.

8:38 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Regardless of costs. Terrible location. Mute point.

8:40 PM Steven Culp- SafePark to Everyone

well said thank you Lon

8:40 PM Keith to Everyone

I am hearing this: "we have already selected this site and will do this in the way we have planned. If you are against our plan and not in favor of the location,, then you are against homeless people. This meeting is just a formality.

8:41 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Keith. Exactly. That's all I heard too. Too bad of you don't like it.

8:43 PM Anson to Everyone

We understand that a downtown location seems to be a done deal, but what distance from services is a reasonable distance? 1 block, 1 mile, somewhere in between?

8:43 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

Can you explain your question? What distance from what services is reasonable?

8:44 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Who would want to live in luxury rental places in dt facing this camp?

8:45 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

The other option is living in a luxury rental facing tents and people in sleeping bags on the sidewalk or in doorways.

8:46 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Jamie, not need to twist this matter. Find a proper housing for people, not dog houses.

8:46 PM Anson to Everyone

Lon had said that proximity to services is essential to solving the problem. What is a reasonable distance for the services that Lon said are essential (medical, court, AA, drug treatment) does the shelter need to be?

8:46 PM Tyler w/HART to Everyone

With regard to the concern about illegal drugs...I encourage everyone to talk to your State representative. They are having listening sessions around the decriminalization which happened in January of 2021. More info here: [https:// www.aclu-wa.org/pages/q-blake- decision](https://www.aclu-wa.org/pages/q-blake-decision)

8:46 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

Exactly! I would much rather live near this than people sleeping on sidewalks. It's not illegal to be homeless.

8:47 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

The requirement is a half mile from public transit, but there certainly are some other services nearby this location, like a food bank, the court house, recovery meetings, etc.

8:48 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

I am glad it helped seven 11.

sarcasm, of couse

8:49 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

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8:50 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

Just be honest, is the decision already made?

8:53 PM Administrator to Everyone

Have any studies been done to see how homeless camps have affected tourism areas? This camp is remarkably close to Esther Short Park (Farmer's Market) and the convention center?

8:54 PM Tyler w/HART to Everyone

By camps, are you referring to the current, unsanctioned tent camping.....or are you referring to a managed Safe Stay community? Those are night and day different.

8:55 PM Michael L to Everyone

No the up to setup costs is up to \$200K divided by 3

8:56 PM Rosie Potts to Everyone

Who is going to be financially responsible for this Safe Stay if damage is done by the occupants?

8:56 PM Michael L to Everyone

And 26-28 are served at anyone time. This cost is about \$24,000 per year. Far less than the cost of a motel.

8:57 PM Rosie Potts to Everyone

I have raised my hand 2 times and someone keeps shutting it off. I would like to know what the people in the surrounding blocks are supposed to do when the 1000 ft barrier to the Safe Stay are supposed to do with the people that start camping in the surrounding blocks. Will the police remove them if we call?

8:57 PM Tyler w/HART to Everyone

Rosie...yes. The 1,000 foot buffer is strictly enforced by VPD.

8:59 PM Rosie Potts to Everyone

What about the people living there, who is responsible for them?

8:59 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

\$24k a year is more than a lot of people make a year..

8:59 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

I bet if you put the 1 million dollars per year per camp on a city ballot this would be voted against so fast. Absolute misuse of money. Of course Lon is completely for this. He gets a nice salary. It's his money. He gets a share. So does Jamie. Of course they are for it. You won't hear from the people that are too busy working right now to take time to voice their opinion against this.

8:59 PM          bheim to Everyone

It seems that everyone supports a positive action to get homeless out of tent cities to one of the multiple housing that the City has invested in - buying motels, building new low cost apartments, and building these Safe Stay. It appears the big

challenge is the location. Does the City have many public hearings prior to this point in time to get public input about the multiple locations being considered? I think it will be more acceptable when a final place is selected.

8:59 PM          Rosie Potts to Everyone

For any damages they do

Yes

that is what I mean

9:00 PM          Aaron Potter to Everyone

They won't be held responsible. They use our tax dollars to get their paychecks. The damages get paid by insurance and then our tax rates go up, again.

9:00 PM          Rosie Potts to Everyone

There was one that assaulted someone outside the Safe Stay.

9:01 PM          Aaron Potter to Everyone

The assault wasn't mentioned at all earlier. How convenient.

9:01 PM          Michael L to Everyone

The assault was not in the Safe Stay Community. It was outside

9:02 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

If our opinion really mattered they would not allow us to speak up!

9:03 PM Tyler w/HART to Everyone

From an equity standpoint.....there is a lower rate of crime reported at the Safe Stay than the average apartment building anywhere in the City. This is due to the 24/7 onsite support and staff.

9:04 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Great. I feel safer now! Right where I walk, shop and spend time with my family!

9:04 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

The area Homeless Action Plan was driven by residents input.

9:04 PM Administrator to Everyone

The Safe Stay Community on Fourth Plain includes a parking lot for the tenants. Will this happen in downtown Vancouver too?

9:05 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Lon is 100% against anyone that is against this. If this was a vote then he might care. But it's not so we have zero say.

9:05 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

Yes, there will be parking available

9:06 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

<https://www.councilforthehomeless.org/homeless-action-plan/>

9:06 PM Keith to Everyone

Thank you Elena

9:07 PM Administrator to Everyone

So... free parking is available to the homeless residents but NOT the low income workers downtown?

9:07 PM Administrator to Everyone

Please confirm how the parking works?

9:09 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her)- COV to Everyone

There will be parking on site for staff, outside service providers who provide services on site, and any residents who have vehicles..it's not typically many residents who have vehicles

9:09 PM Administrator to Everyone

OK... but the site on Fourth Plain shown otherwise.

Have any parking impact studies been done?

9:10 PM Brandi O'Shea to Everyone

Exactly! Thank you Lon! Our entire community needs to work together.

9:10 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

What do you mean? The majority of parking at the 4th Plain site is used by staff and service providers...there are a few residents who have vehicles.

9:12 PM Keith to Everyone

Sorry, Lon, your apparent arrogance is distinctly unattractive

9:12 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

We can support helping to connect employees to public transportation pass options when wanted/needed to support parking and gas costs.

9:12 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

i just wonder if someone is making tons of money by selling/renting out this site. and this is why they want this site so much..???

9:12 PM Administrator to Everyone

When I drive by... (frequently) the lot on Fourth Plain is FULL. Parking downtown is scarce. What would prevent someone from saying they're living in a homeless unit just to secure a parking spot?

9:12 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her) - COV to Everyone

Because we know who lives in the site sand what they drive.

9:13 PM Rosie Potts to Everyone

How can the Safe Stay demand that there is nobody camping within 100ft if it is a federal law you can not stop them unless you have a place that they can go?

9:13 PM

Administrator to Everyone

Thanks Jamie. Please provide the numbers for the parking spots/tenants if possible.

9:13 PM Lon Pluckhahn DCM to Everyone

The 1000 feet is allowed as a buffer. It's based on other standards that have been upheld in court.

9:14 PM Tyler w/HART to Everyone

Rosie...great question. While the government cannot prevent all camping at all places at all time, they can limit camping in certain areas for reasons like making the Safe Stay as successful as possible.

9:14 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her)- COV to Everyone

What numbers for parking spots? I don't understand the request.

9:15 PM Administrator to Everyone

How many cars are parked by tenants each night on average at your other locations?

9:15 PM Tyler w/HART to Everyone

For this particular site, there will be no impact to local street parking because all needed parking will happen on site. Hope that makes sense.

9:15 PM Anson to Everyone

There was very little. I found out about this from the Columbian.

9:15 PM Rosie Potts to Everyone

What about making the residents and business owners successful?

9:16 PM Tyler w/HART to Everyone

5 or less cars per site which are tenant cars...then there are a few for staff.

9:16 PM Anson to Everyone

Brian is correct. The communication about this was short and swift.

9:17 PM Ren Autrey (she/her) Outsiders Inn to Everyone

Rosie that's the goal! empowering people to be successful.

9:17 PM Elena Burns to Everyone

I wonder if there have been any law suite against the city from the residents/ owners living close to other camps like this one?

9:17 PM Jamie Spinelli (she/her)- COV to Everyone

I think our first site currently has around 4 people with vehicles, and the second site has 2. The rest of those vehicles are staff and other service providers....people providing mental health services, case management, housing assessments, etc.

9:17 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

To register for the Oct. 25 meeting please visit: <https://www.cityofvancouver.us/cmo/page/community-engagement-opportunities-continue-proposed-location-next-safe-stay-community>

9:18 PM Administrator to Everyone

Thanks Tyler, but based on what I see on Fourth Plain, "if" there are parking restrictions, do the tenants just move their car to the street? Do you know how many residents have cars?

9:19 PM Michael L to Everyone

Portland is not a model anyone in the CoV is following. They are the opposite as in a do not do as they do

9:19 PM Tyler W/HART to Everyone

Elena...no lawsuits. As mentioned, those living and working or having businesses around the first 2 locations are not unhappy with them.

SSC3 Community Info Session Zoom Chat 10-25-22

7:47 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

Please feel free to add your question to the chat or click "Reactions" and "Raise Hand" to ask a question verbally.

7:47 PM Nakia Bradley-Lawson - Gevurtz Menashe to Everyone

Will City sanitation services clean up surrounding blocks?

7:49 PM Officer Chavers to Everyone

Nakia...can you give more context to your sanitation question? City public works already conducts sanitation city wide when there are issues on public property under the City's responsibility.

7:49 PM Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

We contract with Share for the Talkin' Trash program, so we utilize them to help ups with litter pick up, HART works on sanitation regarding unsheltered homelessness, and Outsiders Inn regularly conducts neighborhood cleanup events in the neighborhoods they are located.

7:49 PM Adam Kravitz to Everyone

Adam Kravitz OutsidersInn/ Executive Director Adam@outsidersinn.org

7:49 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

I would also like to add that the people served at a Safe Stay Community are not stagnant and as they are housed someone else comes in.

7:50 PM Cheryl Golliher to Everyone

Will drugs and alcohol be allowed to be used by the safe stay folk? It's what drives up all the theft in our neighborhood. I know..sadly many times over.

7:50 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone  
So many more people than 40 are intended to be served at each location in a given 12 month period

7:50 PM Adam Kravitz to Everyone  
Thank You Haley.

7:51 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone  
They don't drug test or use a test as a qualifier to join so absolutely there will still be drugs.  
  
Good. Thank you Jamie.

7:52 PM Rori Dicker (she/her) to Everyone  
Well said Jamie :) Thank you for all you do!

7:52 PM Steven Culp/Safepark Lead to Everyone  
this is for Matt what if someone at the safe stay isn't working towards getting out of homelessness do they just get a free place to live?

7:53 PM Rosie Potts to Everyone  
Have you had anyone overdose on a drug in either of the Safe Stay Communities?

7:53 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone  
All residents in a Safe Stay Community are on a pathway out of homelessness - their pathway. No one is simply enabled.

7:53 PM Tom Crawshaw to Everyone  
Does safe stay welcome 12 step meetings in?

7:54 PM

Peggy Cannon to Everyone

What about the severely mentally ill homeless? Will they be housed here?

Will they be required to take medication prescribed for their condition?

7:54 PM

Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

We've had one...Narcan was provided, we required that they attend detox/treatment to be able to stay, and they opted to leave instead.

7:54 PM

Michael Lynch to Everyone

Pets are allowed

7:54 PM

Cherish DesRochers to Everyone

How many individuals have transitioned from the Outpost into housing?

7:54 PM

Cheryl Golliher to Everyone

I have many homeless people who I live with daily. They are often high on drugs, not coffee tobacco. Will they reside at this safe stay place? I'm just curious. Thanks

7:54 PM

Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Absolutely yes to recovery meetings!

7:54 PM

Patrick Quinlan/Hope Village to Everyone

No overdose issues at Hope Village and we welcome recovery meetings.

7:55 PM

Ginger Metcalf to Everyone

While I support the City's effort to provide services to our homeless community, I have concerns about the effect of this particular location on the value of my personal dollar investment

in downtown Vancouver - not to mention my 20 year career in helping to revitalize downtown Vancouver. There will obviously be an impact on my property's value. Is the City prepared to somehow compensate those affected?

7:55 PM                      Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Matt can correct me if i'm wrong, but I believe around 25 total since opening..and we have a few more that should be moving into places in the next few weeks!

7:56 PM                      Michael Lynch to Everyone

Cheryl, anyone constantly using is given help and asked to leave if they don't alter their behavior.

7:56 PM                      Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Cheryl, if those folks are interested in coming in and getting better and moving forward, yes, they would be welcomed in. People do not have to be clean and sober to come in, but it's something that's worked on once they're in.

7:56 PM                      Cherish DesRochers to Everyone

25 people have transition into housing in a year??? Incredible!!

7:57 PM                      Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

In 9 months!

7:57 PM                      Officer Chavers to Everyone

A plug from your local law enforcement regarding anyone concerned about substance abuse in our community.....in January of 2021 the State Legislature effectively decriminalized possession/ use of illicit drugs (web search

Washington State Blake decision). We encourage everyone experiencing the negative impacts of drugs to contact your state representatives. They are reviewing the decriminalization effects now and are seeking input, like the meeting, as they chart a new path forward.

7:57 PM                      Cherish DesRochers to Everyone

Amazing, Jamie! What a successful program!

7:57 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

Ginger your comment has not born true at the other sites. This will reduce the number of homeless in your neighborhood. That has a positive impact on property values.

7:58 PM Mary Jadwisiak to Everyone

@Ginger Metcalf - It seems to me that the lack of a safe stay community would have a more significant impact on property values

7:58 PM james thayer to Everyone

We just left safe stay over a month ago, everyone one is family there. We all help each other to succeed. we have been in our tin home over a month now. prett awesome thank you, Adam and team. James and Sabrina Thayer

7:58 PM Mary Jadwisiak to Everyone

congratulations @JamesThayer!

7:58 PM Haylee J to Everyone

People continue to use while living in desperation. If we do not give them an opportunity to get away from suffering Why would people get clean while suffering through inhumane living conditions? When we give people hope, they make moves to get clean. They see a life for themselves. There is no better motivation to get clean than being in a position to no longer suffer.

8:00 PM Chervl Golliher to Everyone

I work with homeless Veterans everyday as well. My balcony will have a direct view of this safe stay proiect. | help the homeless daily but I feel over saturated.

I fear this will bring even more homeless down here.

8:00 PM Rosie Potts to Everyone

Jamie- Besides the assault that happened on 7/13, have there been any more assaults of any kind in either Safe Stay community?

8:00 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

Haylee is spot on. People on the streets are immobilized because the streets aren't safe. A Safe Stay Community offers safety and stability that is what allows these folks to move on and address their situation.

8:00 PM Mary Jadwisiak to Everyone

@Haylee - I agree. Seeing other people succeed can be so hopeful for everyone involved. Just as seeing despair everywhere can kill hope.

8:00 PM Patrick Quinlan/Hope Village to Everyone

Feel free to visit Safe Stay #2 - Hope Village. Contact our staff at 360-768-5583 or email me at [patrick@livelovecenter.com](mailto:patrick@livelovecenter.com).

8:01 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

Rosie the assault was not in the Safe Stay - it was outside. There has not been anything like that inside one.

8:01 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

I see open drug use in the park nearby at any hour of the day. Not trying to be judgemental but they often look homeless. It's not just about possession - it's a lack of enforcement of the current laws. Police need to do foot or bike patrols downtown.

8:02 PM Cherish DesRochers to Everyone

What park is that? I work nearby the Outpost and have never seen anything of the sort at the park nearby.

8:02 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

Aaron ups are correct. That does occur in our parks and streets; but is not indicative of the Safe Stay Community.

8:02 PM Officer Chavers to Everyone

Aaron...see my previous comment about the Blake decision. Police cannot take enforcement action for drug use/ possession...since Jan 2021.

8:03 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone  
Cherish Aaron is a resident in the downtown area

8:03 PM Mary Jadwisiak to Everyone  
People with mental illness can recover. having housing is essential to that.

8:03 PM Rori Dicker (she/her) to Everyone  
beautifully said Adam!!

8:03 PM Cherish DesRochers to Everyone  
Thank you Michael!

And he is killing it!!!

8:03 PM Rori Dicker (she/her) to Everyone  
Yes that is incredible!!!

8:04 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone  
yes he is. outta the ballpark!

8:05 PM Marv Jadwisiak to Everyone  
Will the county be supporting similar safe stay communities?

8:05 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone  
Mary! Great question - hopefully they will

8:06 PM Cherish DesRochers to Everyone

It's definitely needed!

8:06 PM Terry Rodriguez to Everyone

I would like to hear more from people with concerns not just advocates --and  
bravo to advocates!

8:06 PM Jen S to Everyone

I may have missed this, is there a place we can find information on the proposed  
long term housing project?

8:07 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

Outsiders Inn Meal Train <https://www.outsidersinn.org/meal-train>

8:07 PM Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

What long term housing project are you referring to, Jen?

8:07 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Thank you for your answer officer. But that is untrue. Upon the 3rd drug use or  
possession contact the case can be referred to the DA for a misdemeanor charge. Your hands aren't tied.  
It's about being present in our community and continuing to make it a safe place for everyone.

8:07 PM Officer Chavers to Everyone

Great question Temple! HART often gets requests for how volunteers can  
contribute to efforts to reduce the impacts of homelessness in our community. I have put together a  
long list of organizations which take and work with volunteers. I am happy to share the list with anyone  
interested.

8:07 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

The Meal Train is as fine of a meal system I have seen servicing shelters  
anywhere in the US

8:08 PM                      Officer Chavers to Everyone

Jen...[www.beheardvancouver.org/](http://www.beheardvancouver.org/) homelessness has a presentation of the City's overall plan to address homelessness in the City

8:08 PM                      Christine Dickinsen to Everyone

We have heard that the City is also looking at a place by Kiggins Bowl. Any update on this?

8:08 PM                      Aaron Potter to Everyone

They'll put it in your backyard and you'll be expected to be happy with it.

8:09 PM                      Terry Rodriguez to Everyone

Please more time for concerns!

8:09 PM                      Jen S to Everyone

I thought I heard you mention that in your presentation Jamie. Stay safe as a intermediary step, knowing we need a long term housing solution. That stay safe gives our community the chance to help while working toward a more long term solution. Maybe I misunderstood that

8:09 PM                      Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Christine, we don't currently have an update on that site...still waiting on final WSDOT approval to even use the site. If we get that, we would go through this very same process for that location.

8:09 PM                      Ren Autrey to Everyone

<https://www.mealtrain.com/groups/outsiderness>

8:10 PM                      Christine Dickinsen to Everyone

Part of the concern has been about property value. Is there a way we could use landscaping to screen fences etc.?

8:11 PM Roberta Lopez to Everyone

Sleep is very important to the body. As a resident within 1 block from this proposed site, we experience high noise pollution in the heart of downtown Vancouver; planes, trains, cars and motorcycles racing, boats horns, sirens, etc. I have noticed that the dwellings do not have insulation nor does this site have a natural tree-lined surrounding. The visibility of a tall chained-link gated fence may confuse my three five and under grandchildren when they visit. But yes, another discussion about the homelessness downtown. We have struggled keeping the old Vancouver vibrant.

8:11 PM Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Yes! We're looking at our options for fencing and beautifying the outside of the space...I think we have some photos of just ideas.. not exact options we're looking at...but we're very open to ideas!

8:12 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

Roberta the Pallet Shelters are insulated. Not as well as a new home - but surprisingly good.

8:12 PM Demi Day to Everyone

I also live in the apartments next to the Outpost. There are no major sound issues from my experience. We are right next to SR500 & I hear that more than the residents in safe stay.

8:13 PM Jen S to Everyone

Thanks

8:13 PM Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Roberta, I can also tell you that these sites are quiet. I'm at both frequently, and we've never experienced any noise complaints.

8:13 PM Tom Crawshaw to Everyone

I don't see a long term plan for for addressing homelessness beyond the temporary safe stays. Who is working on this?

8:14 PM Joe Pauletto to Everyone

I am pleased that the Lynch Family Foundation is providing the property for this Stay Safe Shelter. Ed Lynch was a mentor to me in my professional career as well as my community volunteer career. He would be excited to have the shelter on this property. I have provided meals, about twice a month, to the 51st location. I am impressed by the cleanliness and the management of the shelter. I believe in the "hand up" approach for my fellow neighbor. I see this happening at the Stay Safe Shelter. Thank you Outsiders Inn..

8:15 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

thank you Joe for your support!

8:15 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

Hi Tom. The City is working on a range of strategies to create long-term housing solutions, including through the Affordable Housing Fund. On this page, you can read about how funds are used and view a map showing how investments have been directed across the community: <https://www.cityofvancouver.us/eph/page/affordable-housing-fund>

8:15 PM Jim Mains to Everyone

Thank you Joe.

8:16 PM Ty Stober to Everyone

Thank you Joe!

8:17 PM Adam Kravitz to Everyone

we are always full.

8:18 PM Peggy Cannon to Everyone

I think the buffer idea for no camping is a great idea! We have new buildings that people are already camping at periodically.

8:18 PM Nakia Bradley-Lawson - Gevurtz Menashe to Everyone

Me too!

8:19 PM

Ren Autrey to Everyone

thank you Demi for supporting and sharing your perspectives.

8:20 PM

Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

In regards to occupancy rates at the Safe Stays, we are always full, and we have a waitlist...so, no concerns about beds not being filled at these sites.

8:20 PM

Renee Stevens to Everyone

Tatum-Thank you for taking the time to learn about safe stay.

8:21 PM

Michael Lynch to Everyone

The buffer is a difficult one to increase. It would be potentially challenged as just trying to ban unsheltered camping without providing adequate shelter. So the amount was selected to be both prevalent and defensible.

8:21 PM

Roberta Lopez to Everyone

Thank you to the Lynch family for their generous offer. May I suggest selling this parcel to some of the well-known developers in the downtown area. Taking the proceeds and purchasing an abandoned warehouse 5-6 blocks West of this property. Where the need is great. This property is literally too close-in and too close to the I-5 corridor.

8:21 PM

Michael Lynch to Everyone

Relevant not prevalent (sorry)

8:21 PM

Steven Culp/Safepark Lead to Everyone

wouldn't esther short park be protected by the border

8:21 PM

Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

The 1000' buffer is part of the City ordinance, so not something we could change just for this site. We also have to be careful to not buffer out too much of the city until we have enough beds to meet the Martin v. Boise standard.

8:22 PM

Michael Lynch to Everyone

Roberta the property is not being sold nor being offered for sale

8:22 PM

Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Esther Short Park is protected by being a park...camping is not allowed within city parks, and that can be enforced by any officer.

8:22 PM

Officer Chavers to Everyone

The 1,000 foot buffer is only one tool and intended to prevent outside habitation on public property....for any camping on private property....that is covered under current Criminal Trespass laws which police routinely enforce.

8:22 PM

Aaron Potter to Everyone

What percentage of the safe stay population is coming from Portland because Vancouver is more welcoming and lenient towards homelessness?

8:23 PM

Mary Jadwisiak to Everyone

@Tatum great job keeping an open mind and learning for yourself.

8:24 PM

Michael Lynch to Everyone

Currently it's the opposite Aaron, we've seen a significant percentage of the homeless folks in Delta Park coming from Vancouver (sadly). Yes we get some from Portland but at this time it is nominal.

8:25 PM

Roberta Lopez to Everyone

Demi, I am not concerned about the noise from the Safe Community. My concern is for the residents of the Safe Stay Community.

8:25 PM

Demi Day to Everyone

We have had support at the Y with clearing campers because of the 1000 buffer requirement.

8:25 PM Patrick Quinlan/Hope Village to Everyone

All current resident at Hope Village are Vancouver based citizens.

8:25 PM Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Aaron, none at the Safe Stays...we specifically ensure that we are serving people who are connected to outreach workers on our streets in Vancouver.

8:25 PM Christine Dickinsen to Everyone

What is the definition of camping? Some of what I have heard seems more of a concern about increased loitering like was seen at day center.

8:26 PM Tom Crawshaw to Everyone

does each safe stay client have a case manager? What organization provides case management

8:26 PM Peggy Cannon to Everyone

When I mentioned camping, I'm talking about people setting up tents in the alcoves of new buildings downtown; not loitering.

8:27 PM Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Tom, a variety of organizations...CSNW/ Sea Mar, CRMH, Share, etc...and then they all receive regular Peer Support from Outsiders Inn staff

8:28 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Thank you Jamie and Micheal and Patrick. I see such a large influx of homeless walking or riding bikes over the bridge from Jantzen Beach. It's definitely becoming a growing problem. I'm glad the city is actively stopping camping downtown and preventing them from ruining our city... like how Portland is absolutely disgusting. Vancouver is absolutely beautiful in comparison.

8:28 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

Christine, none of the Safe Stay Community's have "walk-up" service. None are open for outsiders hanging out either. As a result they aren't a magnet for other homeless individuals.

8:29 PM Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

Thanks, Aaron! We really are doing as much as we possibly can.

8:29 PM Tatum Dwvire-Seitz to Everyone

I understand that the 1,000 ft "No Camping" buffer is defined by the city but I'd like to see it increased now that Portland's Mayor, Ted Wheeler, has made all non-authorized camping illegal. I'd hate to see the problems from PDX move north.

8:30 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

Aaron that's also something I have observed. Unfortunately the "canners" get paid well to raid yours and my recycling bins here and redeem them in Portland. I wish there was a way to reduce that. We worked with C-Tran to not allow it on their routes pre-COVID. But it still exists with bikes, pickups and more.

8:30 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

Outpost guidelines around VISITORS at this time- Visitors are restricted to only designated community shared spaces during agreed upon

visiting hours of 10am - 8pm. no overnight guests in parking lot o Staff always have the right to limit visitors in the space for any reason. o Safety, covid protocols, community o ALL visitors must ring the bell at the gate and wait for staff to meet them and get checked in on sign in log.

8:32 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

Tatum - Portland will be trying to end camping in the next 5 years. Not immediately. Our challenge is to get ahead of it and have enough capacity in time

8:32 PM Officer Chavers to Everyone

For many years the annual HUD point-in-time count, managed by Council for the Homeless, has shown that 85% or more of the unsheltered homelessness in our community are from Clark County. About 15% are from any other place- Cowlitz, Skamania, Multnomah, Portland, etc. We

don't have 15% of the people occupying the Safe Park or Safe Stays from outside Clark County, but if we mirrored the normal demographics that is what would happen over time statistically speaking.

8:32 PM Jen S to Everyone

Thank you for addressing this Jamie

8:33 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

If you would like to reach the Homeless Assistance and Resource Team (HART),  
you can:

Download the MyVancouver app

Visit [cityofvancouver.us/myvancouver](https://www.cityofvancouver.us/myvancouver)

Email: [hartteam@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:hartteam@cityofvancouver.us)

Or call 360-487-8626

[https://www.cityofvancouver.us/cmo/page  
homeless-assistance-resources-team-hart](https://www.cityofvancouver.us/cmo/page/homeless-assistance-resources-team-hart)

8:34 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Just celebrating the end of the meeting and recording. A it's been more  
informative this round but I still have questions and concerns I will be asking in person. I still do not  
agree with the placement of this site with such a dense population of families, business and hard  
working civilians downtown.

8:34 PM Tom Crawshaw to Everyone

Thanks all for the great discussions with a group of intelligent, practical, caring  
people

8:35 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

thank you Aaron for your concerns and willingness to engage.

8:35 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

Thank you, Aaron and Tom, for taking the time to join us and ask questions.

8:35 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

Thank you Tom!

8:35 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Absolutely. It's been presented well today. I love this city with my whole heart.

8:35 PM Terry Rodriguez to Everyone

Thank you--well said

8:36 PM Terry Rodriguez to Everyone

but I still have questions and concerns I will be asking in person. I still do not agree with the placement of this site with such a dense population of hard working people

8:36 PM LX to Everyone

One way to discourage "canners" going through your recycling is to bend the cans. Not crush, just squish with your hand. I was told that those can still be recycled with the rest of our recycle bin but they will not work in the machines in Portland.

8:36 PM Terry Rodriguez to Everyone

Thank you Aaron!

8:36 PM Jamie Spinelli to Everyone

I got kicked out temporarily...

8:37 PM Haylee J to Everyone

I really appreciate how respectful every one who spoke was and that concerns came up with potential solutions especially re fencing and landscaping which I think is important and a great idea. Im glad to see so much support for this project. A lot of humanity in the meeting tonight.

8:37 PM Tatum Dwyre-Seitz to Everyone

Will there be a final city hall meeting to discuss the impacts or will they just be announcing their decision on November 3rd?

8:37 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

to talk and connect about concerns - we are available to meet or just chat directly too- whatever is wanted or needed now or in future. [ren@outsidersinn.org](mailto:ren@outsidersinn.org) or [adam@outsidersinn.org](mailto:adam@outsidersinn.org)

8:37 PM Renee Stevens to Everyone

I appreciated that the conversation was respectful.

8:37 PM Mary BEDFORD-CARTER to Everyone

Awesome work Outsiders Inn!

8:37 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

thank you Renee and Mary!

8:37 PM Jen S to Everyone

Thank you to everyone working in our community to help each other.

8:39 PM Christine Dickinsen to Everyone

also read that the Beheard Comment period ends this Friday, October 28th.

8:40 PM Terry Rodriguez to Everyone

Great job Nanvy!

8:41 PM William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

Thank you, Christine. That's correct. If you or those you know would like to share feedback on the proposed site, you can do so through Friday by visiting <http://www.beheardvancouver.org/ssc3>

8:42 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

LX is absolute correct - but it take a household all crushing cans so that their UPC codes are basically unreadable. So long as they are readable the 10¢ is given.

8:42 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Thank you Adam. Exactly what I asked. Well said.

Violent crime?

8:44 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Got it. Thank you. I already don't feel comfortable walking downtown. That's reassuring.

8:45 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

The goal is to make those streets safe again

8:45 PM Officer Chavers to Everyone

A violent offender who was recently released would most likely be on Adult Probation with DOC (dept of corrections) and be living in a home under a State release program. They would not be exiting prison into a Safe Stay community...if that makes sense.

8:45 PM Steven Culp/Safepark Lead to Everyone

Vancouver is alot better than Portland

8:45 PM Peggy Cannon to Everyone

I have to walk downtown every day and I'm not comfortable either. Maybe the issue isn't your Safe Stay place but how the surrounding downtown is policed handled.

8:46 PM LX to Everyone

RE: squishing cans - a store may still give 10¢ but they won't go through the machines that roll the cans like in Delta Park.

8:47 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Absolutely understandable. So \$7,500 per year assuming 100 people served.  
Thank you Jamie

8:49 PM L X to Everyone

RE: squishing cans, Waste Connections said don't stomp them flat or WC can't recycle them.

8:49 PM Michael Lynch to Everyone

The program Jamie and staff have designed is really solid when we compare it to others across the country. And the results are saving it is working - which is why we have other cities trying to figure out how the CoV is doing this.

8:50 PM Renee Stevens to Everyone

perfectly said Jamie!

8:50 PM Mary Jadwisiak to Everyone

thanks everyone for all your input.

8:50 PM Officer Chavers to Everyone

Peggy....the police department has its own email for providing feedback about police services: [VANPD@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:VANPD@cityofvancouver.us) can be used to express your input, ideas, concerns, etc regarding policing in the City. The Chief's Office welcomes and reviews the emails from concerned citizens. The more informed the police the better job they can do.

8:51 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Excellent. Yes the funding is already in place for other programs and it will take the burden away from other services as well. Like mental health, food banks, medical/fire, jail etc.

8:51 PM Peggy Cannon to Everyone

Thank you, Officer Chavers.

8:52 PM Maciei Majewski to Everyone

I appreciate the level of thought that went into these Safe Stay communities. Sounds like a great program!

8:52 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

Thank you Macie!

8:54 PM Steven Culp/Safepark Lead to Everyone

that's awesome thank you Demi

8:54 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Demi. Thank you for your story. I feel unsafe on a couple streets downtown occasionally too. I have been threatened twice in the last year. Didn't even bother to call police because they were so strung out on drugs. But it is getting better.

8:55 PM Officer Chavers to Everyone

Great insight Aaron...about positive moves reducing burdens on other sectors who help. This is what we hope for.. reduced utilization of hospital, police, fire, etc. If we saw these utilizations increase, rather than decrease, then we would not it was not working.

\*know it was not

8:56 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

thank you Michael for your belief in us.

8:57 PM Aaron Potter to Everyone

Absolutely Officer Chavers. If we have a reduced need then it is a net benefit for the entire cit. I just hope the data of this reflects that as we go forward.

8:57 PM L X to Everyone

Sounds like the Lynch property is a done deal, correct?

8:57 PM Glen Yung to Everyone

I can't say enough good about Outsiders Inn. they are changing lives and neighborhoods in a positive way!

8:57 PM Nakia Bradley-Lawson - Gevurtz Menashe to Everyone

Thank you, everyone!

8:58 PM Patrick Quinlan/Hope Village to Everyone

Thank you everyone.

8:58 PM Anne McEnerny-Ogle to Everyone

Thank you, Everyone. It was a nice conversation.

8:58 PM Ren Autrey to Everyone

thank you Glen! We appreciate the support!

8:58 PM Officer Chavers to Everyone

This has all been very helpful and informative! Excellent questions and comments. Thank you

8:58 PM L X to Everyone

This is encouraging. Just not sure this next location is the best choice.

8:58 PM Demi Day to Everyone

Thank you so much everyone! For how you care about people and too really listening to everyone's perspective.

8:58 PM

Ty Stober to Everyone

Thank you everyone for your participation this evening.

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Cherish DesRochers to Everyone

Thanks for hosting this tonight. I really enjoyed hearing everyone's concerns.

8:58 PM

Adam Kravitz to Everyone

Thank you everyone

8:58 PM

Aaron Potter to Everyone

Thanks everyone

8:59 PM

Steven Culp/Safepark Lead to Everyone

thank you

8:59 PM

Ren Autrey to Everyone

grateful for everyone's presence. THANK YOU.

8:59 PM

Bridget McLeman to Everyone

Good discussion. Well facilitated Nancy!

8:59 PM

Peggy Cannon to Everyone

thank you all.

9:00 PM

Aaron Potter to Everyone

See you at the next in-person meeting. I'm not sold on the location but I have confidence in the team surrounding the efforts.

9:00 PM

William Cooley (he/him), City of Vancouver to Everyone

Thank you all for your thoughtful comments and questions this evening. When the public comment period closes this Friday at 11:59 PM, staff will review all input provided over the past few weeks. If you would like to join us from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 3 at City Hall (415 W. 6th St.), please RSVP to [Kerry.Peck@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:Kerry.Peck@cityofvancouver.us)