



Monterey County Safe Parking and Supportive Services Program

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Background and History

- Lapis Road, located in the unincorporated area of Monterey County just north of the City of Marina, experienced increased use as an overnight parking and lodging location.
- These individuals parked a variety of vehicles, including motor homes, cars, and trailers, on the shoulder of the road and used these vehicles to sleep and live in.
- These circumstances created a variety of health and safety concerns with the condition of the road and the County right-of-way.



Development of a County Safe Parking Program



- The Monterey County Safe Parking and Supportive Services Program at 2616 First Ave., Marina officially opened on December 15, 2017.
- Orphan Productions, a 501c (3) community based organization, contracted by the County, administers this program.
- Program provides participants a safe parking space to sleep in their vehicle and offers supportive services such as case management, job search, housing search, and other supports as identified.


County Safe Parking Program Requirements



- Proof of Monterey County residency.
- Valid CA driver's license, CA vehicle registration & insurance.
- Agreement to work cooperatively with program staff.
- Shared program goals of obtaining housing, a source of income, access to adequate health care.
- Development of a plan to save money for future housing.
- Monthly assessment of progress for parking permit renewal.

*Financial assistance may be available to assist participants in meeting requirements

2018 Service Usage and Outcomes

	Total	December/January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
Calls Handled During the Month	1479	367	154	119	111	110	128	174	171	145
Intake Assessments Completed	41	13	9	4	2	1	0	5	5	2
# New Permits Issued	27	6	7	4	1	1	0	4	3	1
# Permits In Active Use During Month	-	4	13	13	10	11	9	13	15	15
Individuals Newly Housed	17	2	1	5	2	3	0	1	2	1
Individuals Newly Employed	11	2	1	1	2	2	0	1	2	0

Other Safe Parking Sites in Monterey County

One Starfish Safe Parking Program (Not County Funded)

City/Jurisdiction	Safe Parking Spaces
Pacific Grove	6
Carmel Valley	8
Monterey	5
Seaside	5

- All sites are religious organizations
- Occupancy is near 100% at all times
- Exact locations withheld for privacy of Guests and at the request of location management

Program Operating Costs

Original 1 Yr Pilot Program Estimate	\$150,000
• Actual Program Costs (FY 17-18, Dec 17 – Jun 18)	\$ 63,000
Amendment Request to Extend Program to March 31, 2019	
• FY 18-19, Jul 18 – Mar 19	\$ 85,000
(Augmentation Request today \$28,750.65)	
Total Program Costs Dec 2017 – March 2019	\$148,000
• 16 months of service	~\$9,250 per month

CEQA

- Section 15301(c) of CEQA Guidelines
 - Class 1 Categorical Exemption
 - Existing Facilities (existing streets, sidewalks and similar facilities)
- Categorical Exemption Report
 - Rincon Consultants, Inc. (Oct 2018)
- Alternative Site Assessment
 - Memorandum (Nov 2, 2018)
 - No viable alternative
 - Willing Owner
 - Objective
 - Criteria

Alternative Site Assessment

- Alternatives
 - Required for an EIR, EIR not required
 - BOS direction (2017)
- Project Objective
 - District 4/Monterey Peninsula
- Criteria
 - Security, Proximity to Services, Surrounding Conditions
 - Site Availability - County Owned Properties (Memo 11/2/18)
 - Identified three (3) in former Fort Ord
 - Did not meet objective and criteria
 - County Parks
 - Camping Areas, Parking w/Lighting (Laguna Seca, San Lorenzo)
 - Live-on volunteer Program (placed three so far)

Collaboration

- Inter-jurisdiction
 - County reached out to Cities via multiple avenues
 - City Managers meeting, Direct contact
 - General interest, but no site yet identified
 - Sand City considering as part of Vibrancy Plan process
- Inter-agency
 - MST suggested site determined not appropriate location by its Board
 - TAMC owned site near Lapis Rd, however safe parking not within mandate
 - Coalition of Homeless Service Providers, considered Marina Behavioral Health Center but is too small

Future Program Considerations

- Current Amendment Request to Extend Program to March 31, 2019
- Environmental analysis assessed the current site for potential use through December 1, 2020.
- Local HEAP (Homeless Emergency Aid Program) funding Request for Proposals is estimated for release in early 2019
- The County, through the Department of Social Services, will provide support to Orphan Productions in applying for HEAP assistance through the Continuum of Care to fund future services beyond March 31, 2019.

Recommended Actions

- a) Find that the Safe Parking and Supportive Services Program located at 2616 First Ave. in Marina, CA qualifies for a Class 1 categorical exemption
- b) Approve Amendment #1, effective November 30, 2018, and extend operation of the Monterey County Safe Parking and Supportive Services Program through March 31, 2019
- c) Authorize the Director of the Department of Social Services to sign up to three (3) additional amendments to this agreement where the total amendments do not exceed 10% (\$13,175) of the current amended contract amount, and do not significantly change the scope of work;
- d) Approve and authorize the Auditor-Controller to increase appropriations in the adopted FY 18-19 Community Programs Budget 001-5010-SOC004-8258 in the amount \$18,750.65 to fund the Safe Parking and Supportive Services Program using funds from one of the options discussed in the Financing Section of this Board Report(4/5ths vote required); and
- e) Approve and authorize the Auditor-Controller to increase appropriations in the adopted FY 18-19 Community Programs Budget 001-5010-SOC004-8258 in the amount \$10,000 for the CEQA Study using funds from one of the options discussed in the Financing Section of this Board Report (4/5ths vote required).

Questions

