

# Advocacy for Unhoused Rights and Accountability

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## Short Summary

Advocates challenge police training practices and review stalled homelessness strategic plans in Sonoma County.

## Long Summary

You participated in a Homeless Action meeting focused on several critical issues in Sonoma County. The group expressed outrage over California Highway Patrol (CHP) using unhoused individuals as 'guinea pigs' for field sobriety training, discussing plans for a public letter and legal declarations. You also examined the Henning Report on Sonoma Valley homelessness, noting a lack of implementation and funding accountability. Discussions centered on improving coordinated outreach, mobile services, and the need for a unified community movement to address the housing crisis.

## Sonoma Valley Homeless Strategic Plan

- Review of the "Henning Report" reveals significant implementation failures despite initial \$100,000+ consultant costs.
- Identified core issues preventing success:
  - Lack of a centralized authority or designated leader to manage funding and jurisdiction.
  - Failure to establish a physical central site for service administration in Sonoma Valley.
  - Ongoing struggle between city and county responsibilities.
- Future priorities include addressing "upstream causes" and preventing displacement of elderly residents due to rising costs.
- Proposal to use an **empty house tax** to fund localized housing subsidies.

## CHP Field Training Controversy

- Reports indicate California Highway Patrol (CHP) is picking up unhoused individuals to serve as subjects for "Drug Recognition Expert" training.
- Concerns regarding the ethics and legality of the practice:
  - Individuals report feeling like "guinea pigs" and being intimidated into participating.
  - Allegations of "pizza parties" used as incentives for those undergoing 16 hours of field testing.
  - Debated reports of invasive testing, including blood draws and hair follicle samples.
- Action items:
  - Coordinate a "phone chain" to interview individuals immediately upon their return from training sites.
  - Utilize **Fieldy devices** to record and summarize declarations from affected persons.
  - Engage Assemblyman **Chris Rogers** to investigate the grant funding and legislative oversight of the program.

## County Contracts and Fair Housing

- The Behavioral Health Board is requesting all county contracts from the past year to review scopes of work and budgets.
- Specific focus on fair housing training funds held by the Community Development Commission (CDC).
  - Current training is reportedly handled by Catholic Charities for shelters and supportive housing.
  - Inquiry into whether SAVES or other advocates should apply for upcoming Requests for Proposals (RFPs).

## Legal Settlement and Stipulated Agreements

- A settlement has been reached in a long-standing 2018 legal case involving homeless action and local government.
- Notable differences in the city vs. county stipulations:
  - City agreement is valid for one year; County agreement lasts three years.
  - The County agreed to "bag and tag" property protocols, whereas the City did not.
- A public slideshow is being developed to clarify these differences and ensure officers are properly trained on the new rules.

## Information Access and HEPA.org

- Gregory is reviving a news aggregation service on **HEPA.org** to bypass previous Google/State restrictions on sharing housing news.
- The platform will serve as a repository for:

- Weekly lists of news articles regarding homelessness and affordable housing.
- Drafts of the county's integrated funding plans.
- Summaries of conversations and "declarations" regarding police interactions.
- Strategy involves using the site as a "social media platform" to inform policymakers while complying with **Brown Act** regulations.

## Transcriptions

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But um but the very basic is why it went wrong. It is and it's very clear because if you read what Andrew Henning says and then you see where where it went and I guess um I believe it did not work because there was no one who was ever

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Responsible to enact the plan. There's a big problem. You know, the city of Sonoma didn't take it, the county didn't take it, and there was very um, it was very unclear who was really in charge of this plan because Sonoma Valley is technically county as opposed to city, but it does include city, and there's always this little you know push pull as to who's responsible. And then um, you know, the other thing that came out of it, and it was, you know, and these are coming from what Andrew Henning said needed to be fixed on the present structure, it's bogged down in the old systems, the old prices, lacking collaboration, and um we're still doing business in many ways the way it always has been done, even though it's proved not to be.

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Successful. Um and then the third thing, which uh is a very um volatile thing to say, but I believe the government has a stranglehold on water fundable options, and and I think that has to be readdressed. And then um then the fourth, this is all it is. The fourth item is the area of services are not defined. There's no central site for Sonoma Valley to receive services, to administer services, and to have jurisdiction over these services. And so, you know, those were the four things that I came out of it that were not followed through on Andrew's recommendations, and then you know, I went on for 11 pages on, you know, he had six steps that had to be fixed, and um the six steps were you know, coordinated outreach had to be um readdressed, um centralized services needed to be um established, um increased non-communiante shelter capacity, increase and improve the organizational and financial capacity of local service providers, and the last one is coordinate with the broader community efforts to address the upstream causes of homelessness. Now all these are really good, and if you delve into them and you read what he says about it, man, the plan could have worked, but um it didn't. And I and I'm feeling like this work was all done and this plan was come up with and it was a good plan, and maybe we could take it from there and move it forward.

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Gregory. Yeah, I'm looking for the uh report, Annie. Um

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Andrew Henning to write the report. And then um the city and the county have both been putting, I believe sixty-two thousand dollars each into supporting the by names list.

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That makes sense. And that's um and that's what I know. As far as implementing, um I have not found you know, it's really hard because nothing is designated for you know, specifically, you know, are the outreach workers who are working in Sonoma Valley, are they part of of the Henning Report, or are they just somebody says we need outreach workers in Sonoma Valley? You know, where does that all come from and is that funding traced back to um yeah, you know, I don't want to go into the point that there was no there was no one charged with implementing all of these things, and so there's no centralized uh setup to manage the money or maybe just different um leaders in various places spending money doing what they thought was right. Um

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not other people come in and not what I found and if I can take just a minute, what I found is the report was a really good stepping block on how to move forward.

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And that's what I found fascinating with it.

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I got into rereading it because I knew it became due in July of this year, and I was curious as to how it all had turned out, and then um I think that there's some a lot of good in it, and I think it should be taken, you know, the next step forward.

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Yeah, I love that you are paying attention because as you said, so often the consultant does the report and then it seems like it goes into a floor somewhere. And even if I disagree with the report, which often I do, thank you. Uh there's no accountability for that hundred thousand dollars or so that got spent on the consultant. I like to call this meeting of the uh Sonoma City Council to order. Please rise as you are able and join us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country. We have yeah, I will kill that.

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Sorry. I opened it up and forgot to close it.

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It's not, you know, like for instance, the neck one of the topics about the animal shelters, like that was a grand jury report. So um I just wanted to say that it's not just Sonoma Valley like the Sonoma County Strategic Plan is you know, we're trying to follow it and I I don't know what the hiccup is on being able to actually do it, but just wanted to point that out that it's not just Sonoma Valley, it's others. Yeah, absolutely. Gregory. Yeah, didn't the homeless coalition have something to do with it and shouldn't the homeless coalition evaluate it.

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We have this the our str the Sonoma County strategic plan that's got like Sonoma Valley. Yeah. I know that took place also. Jerry was on involved with it, but I Andrew was hired uh both by the city and the county, I think. And I think it went through the coalition, but I'm gonna check. It w it was home base. I don't know if he works for Home Base, but Home Base was the one that did our strategic plan. But I think he was hired as a consultant as well. Yeah, yeah. Andrew grew up I mean he grew up he started in Marin County. I knew him a long ago down there, and he was hired because he had done a strategic plan for Marin County. Um I think he was consulted in the the over the Sonoma County one, but Home

Base was the lead on that. Yeah, right. And the city of Sonoma, Gregory, uh according to the paperwork, the city of Sonoma is the only name on the it says is their first ever homeless strategic plan. And the city Sonoma City Council voted on this plan. It was not um not a coalition thing, huh? Okay.

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As far as I know. All right, well we'll figure out.

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Yeah, well technically we should bring it back up before the coalition and say what happened and did you participate and are you do you care about Sonoma Valley?

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Um Gregory, my my whole point of being here is that I think we need to unite on this. I think it needs to be a good plan, but it needs to be not just my voice, not just your voice. Right. Um I and that's why I want you to read it and think about it and come up with you know, what your feelings are. I I the only way things are gonna get fixed is if the community steps forward. Yeah. That was one of my conclusions in all this. We need to take it out of the hands of studies and and and committees and I I totally think it it needs to be a movement. I totally agree, and I'm trying to bring the partners together who have the ability to be able to come together. This coalition still exists, behavioral health board still exists, uh City Council still exists, and the Board of Supervisors still exist and all four of them have some responsibility in my mind. So I'm trying to find ways to bring the issue to them. I next uh tomorrow I will bring it to the behavioral health board. Okay. There the coalition has got a meeting coming up in a month and their agenda isn't set yet and needs to have it, I think. Um somebody needs to bring it to the attention of the coalition, the county, the city, and the behavioral health board. Um and I'll do the last. And that is something we were gonna bring up with the coalition, um because the Sonoma County Strategic Plan because uh it had to deviate a little bit because of the administration and the changes and the funding and um and it kind of got uh pushed to the wayside, but it's definitely time you know, we want to follow that. So the pushback against, you know, half the board was like if there's been changes then we should look at the strategic plan and and adopt those so we still have a goalposts and we can't just like, you know, at first everything is like, well the strategic plan, you know, if you compare whatever you want to do against that, you pretty much get it. But then now that's a way.

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Because it's convenient. So and then all the cities have their own strategic plan along with the counties that so overuse the counties. But Gregory, that's a great point. Like I mean, who signed off on this? You know, Sonoma Valley City Council, that would be a first a first step to do too.

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Yeah. Yeah. And all the cities are failing. As far as I know, there is no strategic plan committee for the coalition. They abandoned it. So how I get something on the agenda is anybody's guess because I'm not a member, and all I can do is at the very end of the meeting bring something up that's not on the agenda. Um somebody on the coalition needs to bring it up as an agenda and get a hold of Carol and Wellos and Jenny and say, you know, I want this on the agenda.

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And it was supposed to be brought up this this month, but it wasn't. So I I can do I can reach out and and request that. Thank you. Sure.

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So I I just want to talk a little bit about Sonoma. And I think most of us know there's the city of Sonoma. We did this report, and then there's Sonoma Valley, which is the larger area, which is Annie said, you know, is part of the county. But in my experience at Sonoma, because we have an outreach worker there now. So this this report called for uh an expansion of the shelter system setup, which home and safe village I think expanded, maybe it started before that, but that has been a huge help in all kinds of ways to have that shelter, and there's like a day center there. So thank you, Annie, because you really were the driving force behind getting that going. And that means we can find people, we have a pretty good idea who the people are, and the outreach people pretty much now know most of the people who are homeless, and and there's a somewhat of a system for getting people moved into the next level of whatever care. But what I see on here is increase and improve the um let's see here, expand local affordable and supportive housing. To me, that's the big black. It hasn't been done. There it really is very little affordable housing in Sonoma, the city or the valley. And obviously that's a huge

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 09:54:58**

Huge amount of money that has to happen if they're gonna do that, but it seems to me like you're never gonna catch up with homeless people if you don't have that. And just one more point, the by names list also, I don't know if it started before the report or around that time. But to me that has also been really effective in bringing people together to say, here's a particular individual who needs a particular kind of help, what can we do? And you know, I have sometimes it works better than others, but I think that's been an improvement. So that's just what I have to say, uh, off without reading the report. So Gregory and then Jesse. Well and I think Annie, I think you were you start you wanted to say something or not. I do. I want to talk to you about um the housing, you know, because unless we have housing for people, we we're not going anywhere, and that's where we're kind of stuck in. And we have the and I've done a lot of thinking on this, and and what I'm proposing is that we um subsidize housing through the um city, and they it's funded by empty house tax.

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Now, other other communities are doing this, and what it it it fixes so much because if you take one low-income family and you move them into subsidized housing, they're not gonna disrupt the neighborhood, they're not gonna bring down the housing value of your home. It's it's a way to make it it work as far as the whole NIMBY issue is. You know, nobody wants a low-income housing development next door to them. But if one of their neighbors are low-income subsidized human beings, it it could be it could work fine. And then uh the other thing I've suggested is that any new house.

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Housing, the any new building needs to have a low-income housing factor attached with it. You know, you build a mansion, you build a little house as well. Um

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there are ways of doing this. Our biggest problem right now, and Andrew Henning pointed it out, he said that what we're going to have is the biggest problem when it's coming down the turnpike right now, is people being priced out of their housing. And I've seen two or three of a month anyway, um, of elderly people who can no longer afford the increase in the cost of living. And wouldn't it be so much better if we had a subsidy program which will keep them in their housing, and we need to make a commitment as a community, as um that we're not gonna allow people to lose their housing because the cost of living has outrun their fixed income. So somebody has to pick up this difference, and I I see it's kind of a no-brainer with energy house tax, but um it's breaking my heart to see 83-year-old woman on the street. Yeah. Yeah. Gregory and then Chelsea. Yeah, I guess because I'm on the housing authority of the city of Santa Rosa, I'm wondering what Sonoma has in the way of a housing committee or a housing authority or a housing something or other. I know that um when Nolan put measure O together, the \$10 million, he said he tried to geographically distribute the money. So I want to know what what Sonoma Valley got out or is getting out of our 10 million in Measure O money. Um all of the things, four, five, and six on your list, you know, are all things that you really need to make sure Sonoma Valley gets its portion of it. Uh Michelle Whitman, who runs community development for the county, has a responsibility for Sonoma Valley.

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The funding that they get has to be just like Nolan distributed to Sonoma Valley. It's a part of the county and it has every right to be able to expect some of the money that she has to be able to build or give to developers to develop the affordable aspect of to any development that takes place. I'm just wondering who's going after her money. And are, you know, is there a real conscious sort of pro-development with affordable housing, you know, committee, like there is in several other cities. Uh is the Sonoma County Housing Group, is Dwayne and the folks who try to get the affordability into any development, gonna focus on Sonoma Valley. Or are we all over in Santa Rosa trying to get everything in Santa Rosa? Um those are just thoughts about what ought to happen, but you know, increase non-congregate shelter capacity. Um how do you do that without a home base, with I mean without a home key, how without a room key, without anything else that, you know, when we were putting those together, we thought everything ought to be somewhere over in the central part of the town, uh the county. We don't think about Sonoma because I don't think there's uh, you know, an equivalent to you who's focusing on developers and on development in the city.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:00:34**

Jesse I just wanted to kind of piggyback off of what you had said about there is some positive changes, um, like rapid rehousing has the what that home first has has housed quite a few individuals, which they we didn't have before. There's still a lot to fix, but um and then keeping people housed helped a lot of people, um, although they're running out of money. Um, the buy names list brings that coordinated uh outreach together because it has Hannah on it, has all of the city, all of the individuals. They also brought IMDT team out, um, who's dedicated once a week to help with our outreach efforts out there. Um

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:01:16**

And then they the um Elijah's Village has also got, I think 12 set asides. So that the shelter has opened. Um I think that the homelessness has increased too for Sonoma Valley. Like there's a lot of people that weren't counted. So even with those good things, there's still so much that needs to be done out there. And then one other thing that's coming is that's the Sonoma East is gonna be used as like a resource like a medical and food stamps and stuff, that that's coming along. We're um uh um Heather, Heather, who's the by names list manager for Sonoma Valley and myself have we're doing like the project of um helping, you know, either like the library or something where all the providers come once or by week uh by month or monthly or bi weekly. We haven't decided yet um what the capacity is, but they're gonna open that up and then we can bring just like Sebastopol does, bring all the providers in to one room. So then it's a one shop, you know, we have DMV there, have all of those agencies there. So that's good, but I I feel like really uh you the problem is the housing. Like how can you afford you have to move out of that? If that's your hometown, you gotta move out. You can't afford there, even in the best circumstances. It's just too expensive. So for sure, more um more low-income housing. I know Seleusine uh apartments, I think it is, that they opened up a little bit, but there needs to be a lot more. What about Angela's mobile van? Is that uh beginning to operate? I I haven't heard anything about it. I heard about it from you, but I haven't I mean, maybe Sam would know more, but or Adrian, but I haven't I haven't heard it actually going out to Sonoma Valley. Okay. What was the question, Gregory? I missed your Angela Struckman put together two mobile vans with staff who are gonna be issuing that we haven't seen it. Has anybody seen it? And is it headed to mo to Sonoma Valley? Yeah, it should go out there for sure. You're right. I forgot about it.

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No, I haven't seen it. I'm sure I would have heard if I had if it was there.

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So uh what do you all think? Shall we uh take a week, read this report a little bit closer, have another discussion, uh see if we want to take some action around it. Maybe come up with some suggestions.

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Yes, Alice.

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Let's see.

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Which link was it of the say that we're posted?

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Which one has the report that I think it's the very first one. Okay. So they all are kind of it's it was the city council meeting, so it's kind of like you have to go to that to hit a link to open that up, and then that opens up it. So you kind of got to do hunt it around, but it's pretty simple if you just open it up. That last link is probably the best one, actually. Oh, thank you, Jim. Yeah, sure. All right, thank you.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:04:26**

And uh Lynn just wrote, I'm inspired by places like Finland that provide housing for unsheltered people and actually save money overall and reduced need for police and medical services. We don't do that here due to NUMBIS. I think it's not just NIMBY's. I think there's I mean, certainly that's a big part of it, but it's also our cultural societal thing that we shouldn't take care of people.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:04:57**

Like people who are poor must have done something wrong. And I think it's really hard to say, like let's build more housing and let the cities run it and you know manage it. And so there's plenty of poor housing for poor people. This seems like uh that's a really hard sell.

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Doesn't work yeah.

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All right, so I'm gonna go back to my

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question are are you all interested in doing some work on this report and following up on it next week yes Alice called the three year action plan to end homelessness yeah nine point that's it yeah okay great thank you yeah click on the last line 9.3 the last line where it says agenda report that'll take you to the plan I I'm in the third uh link I know the third link will take you to the city council agenda go to the bottom of the agenda to point 9.3 and it says agenda report homeless strategic plan PDF click on that and it'll open up the 46 page 51 page actually report. Okay great thank you so um when you said you'd like to see stories about homeless people are you talking about uh newspaper stories or what kind of stories here well I've seen some um like on Facebook for instance and stories that uh show even people helping homeless people get on their feet and it's and it's inspiring and I hope that that's some NIMI people would be looking at those stories saying oh well maybe no all uh homeless people are not undeserving of help um i I just to put a human face on it um uh to to inspire compassion and um and understanding what what is needed and and how it can actually save money and it can be done in a way that does not uh devalue their own homes um so that their homes you know because that's one of the reasons that NIMIS don't want any developments near them that are low income. So you

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know show how it can be done make those places beautiful yeah

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um okay well I'm I'm not hearing an overwhelming desire to to dig into this report but I'm not hearing people saying no so I'm gonna try to read it and uh we'll bring it back next week and see what uh what comes of it and Annie I hope you could return because that will help us a lot.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:08:03**

Okay. It's a really good it's a really good plan if you read it through he actually did a really good job. That's nice.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:08:11**

So Sandra just types to be saying that her internet and her phone is not she can't come to the meeting. So I I wondered this topic of the Petaluma animal shelter Chessie it seemed like you knew something about it. Do you want to just give us a quick update sure I mean I just know a limited amount I know so I think the the ownership of the Petaluma animal shelter is the same as the one in Clear Lake and Clear Lake uh you know had the contracts to do animal control there and there is um they basically the grand jury has reported on both places saying I I think two years ago it was just the horrible conditions emaciated animals um you know just really dirty and just uh horrible animals were dying they they needed to be shut down so something happened with lake with Clear Lake and and it got out and so basically um the whole state of California was um came in with rescues and stuff to try and help these animals that were like puppies frozen to death outside was just really bad. So I I don't know um I there's a a small grassroots that took over clear lake. I don't know about Petaluma if that has um gotten new management too it was just a huge

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:09:34**

Animal crisis uh in our count. Um that's all I really know. I think there if I remember what Sanders said, there's a meeting possibly tonight about it, and I would guess it's the Petaluma City Council meeting. So if anybody's interested, you could check that out, call the city of Betaluma even and ask them. Yeah. Um but let's move on. Thank you for what you know, Jesse. Um let's talk about the California Highway Patrol. Guess what? They're back.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:10:09**

And I don't mean back as in patrolling the Highway 101, I mean back as in picking up all those people and taking them to the Ronart Park station in order to help train other officers, law law enforcement. Um somebody want to give us the latest here.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:10:34**

Um I I probably can maybe I can. Oh, Nina's here, I'll let her speak first. Yeah, Nina, go ahead. So a few friends, uh, I think like six of them that got taken by the high show um because they're on the side of side of the highway, I guess. But um they got taken to the pizza party. When? And so I wanted uh maybe Chessie to come out and or someone to come out or give me one of you guys flyers so I can um so I can write their their stuff down.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:11:15**

Yeah, thank you for calling me, uh Tessie.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:11:21**

So this is so this is what I kind of think uh what I've seen. There's a huge increase in the um house right at on the trail. Um however, it's is right there, like at Dutton and Sebastian or Dutton and the

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Trails, Sebastian Road, kind of. Um the CHP was on a break, so they weren't training on how to do their identification certification class, level two of controlled substances. Now they're not on a break. They're back in they're back in the classroom. So there's people from Idaho from all across the straight state that come. It's like a four day program, and it's um pretty much around the year with like two small breaks. So they're back. It's 16 hours of classroom, and then followed by like 16 hours of of um of didactic out in the field, in which they need to go get um people or guinea pigs to be able to do um training. So they started back up last.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:12:24**

week and they went right to their spot right there and pick up you know woke people up from the tents these aren't people that are out in the public making a nuisance or needing to be um you know police so to speak and they are bringing them back so having done all the investigation that we've kind of done on it and like what the process is like do we go do we not go um I read I redid questions um kind of based on what what we wanted answers from like did you feel like you know uh did you feel like you you could you could get up and walk away at any time with without being in trouble like free to go from from there. Were you detained you know were you handcuffed in the back of the car? Were you given the option you know that it was voluntary without the the feeling the threats you know and it's very specific. So the need would be um printing these out and getting them to Nina because it's hard you know so hard for her to be able to be there and and do it all herself that when these individuals came back, you know, she called maybe we could have a phone chain or something and someone who's available can go down and interview immediately and just do this little real quick

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:13:42**

you know, um questionnaire just to be able to get documentation. You know, uh unfortunately that I think that that's really gonna be what the weight is in this situation is having it, you know, enough people to be able to have something tangible to go forward. Um it it's absurd. It's it's obscene. I can't believe that they're doing it. It it really affects me a lot and it has for like two years. So whatever we can do to help. Yes, Nina Oh I was just gonna say my one friend said that he was like a guinea pig. He felt like a guinea pig like um getting his blood taken, his um uh hair follicles and then being in a a room with people watching him from all kinds of people like all kinds uh throughout this the county I mean the state and uh yeah he's he just felt um uneasy and no they don't let them go they uh threaten him with jail or if you wanna go then you can go with us and then we'll s write you a citation if you don't comply then they'll take you to jail what charge make something up you and it yeah and it's just a threat. They're teaching they don't want to take them to jail but they're so intimidating that no one even knows that they could put you know push that yeah that's right

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:15:27**

what are they getting charged with to go to jail what are they being charged with being under the in under the influence on public property. My one friend he he went to the pizza party

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:15:46**

And my brother went to party together the same day and uh they were just waking up. And so um because they think that they were doing well my friend he's autistic, so they thought he was under the influence or whatever, and then they arrested my brother a few times for being under the influence, so

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:16:12**

uh that's just all they have really and then Jesse and then Jason. Alicia Oops, I was not I was on mute.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:16:30**

Um sometimes people are not charged with anything and they're simply picked up. And I think I mentioned this before, but when I was on the trail, I was talking to a few people on the trail, and um the I think it was two CHP officers were driving by, like just looking for people, just okay, we're gonna pick these ones up. I was right there, I could have been picked up. Um so it's not necessarily that, you know, oh look at this, like on on the freeway, you know, this guy's wording or this guy looks to be under the influence. No, it's just from my experience from what I saw, um, it was uh they saw a group of people or um and they were gonna go after whoever was in that group or pick and choose who was in that group. And I think it would be helpful if maybe I think there was a letter, I don't know if it went out to the CHP or when was going to go out to the CHP, but including people in that letter.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:17:50**

Who have been given a citation, and I know one individual in particular, um who received a citation that they were merely detained and that they were not under the influence.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:18:07**

So if we can get any like that, or um, I think it would be helpful um to get these non-citations and say you are just picking up whoever, whether or not they're under the influence without any kind of uh suspicion or anything, you just because they're unhoused.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:18:37**

Okay, Jesse, Jason, Gregory, and Pat.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:18:42**

So Alicia, maybe you could maybe I could send this to you and these questions, and maybe you could like edit them to capture what you think um needs to be captured. But like one of the questions, like it kind of changed, but like did the officer ask if you wanted to participate in their training? Um, or did they tell you you had to go? Like questions like that. Um were you handcuffed or placed in the back of a locked patrol car? Uh what time, you know, where were you um did you feel like if you said no, you would be arrested arrested or harassed later? Yes or no? Like maybe you could um you could narrow down those questions to capture exactly that data. But we have, you're right, they they do get citations and either they get cited or not. I've never heard of anyone actually getting arrested out of it ever. Um is for training. It literally is on how to identify.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:19:40**

Yeah, it is how to identify it's it's a class, and it's it's in San Diego too. The San Diego um the San Diego, whatever, their their biggest newspaper or reporter people.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:19:55**

Um sh there was a woman that did a report on it, basically saying I cannot see how this is this is humane for people. Um I've tried to reach I reached out to her like three times. I I haven't heard back, but I haven't heard anything about it since then. But it's literally for CHP training on identifying. And it's an advanced class, and it one of the only places is Sonoma County. So literally, like Nina said, people are coming from all over the state to train. So they're going out and they're fishing for people, whether they're under the influence or not, they just need bodies to be able to go in um and do the testing. That's why they give them pizza is because they're there for so long. It's it's obscene. It like gets my blood pressure up. You know. Jason, it's um I just wanted to say the reason that they're they're messing with the people who are messing with them in the first place is because we're trespassing. That's what gives them the reason to come and mess with us in the first place to talk to us or anything.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:21:01**

Because they can because they can't, and they don't um

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:21:07**

people are on probation or parole, and so if they arrest them, they're gonna have to put notes in their files or whatever, and then they can't use it.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:21:20**

So when they when they find these people, Jason, are they camped on public property like the trail, or are they camped in private area?

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:21:35**

Yeah, m the few times that I've seen it happen have been camped on private area and on the trust been trespassing, that's why they come up in the first place. I see. Yeah.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:21:46**

Yeah. Yeah, Gregory and then Victoria. I really think that Gregory, you're muted.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:21:55**

I really think that Chris Rogers and his staff member Monica dropped.

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The ball long ago, and I'm gonna try and bring it back up to them. Um Chris Rogers is the assemblyman for this area. He promised that he would look into it. He assigned his staff member Monica to do it. She never reported back to me, and I haven't pursued it, but I want to find out how we can get a meeting with Chris through Monica with the highway patrol there, with us there. Uh in order to be able to have that kind of a meeting be successful, we need some evidence,

we need some information, and so what I'm hoping we can do is either through Jesse's um questionnaire or through some other method, we gather the information that we'd like Chris Rogers to know.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:22:46**

Yeah, Victoria.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:22:53**

Hello? Yeah, everyone's great to be here. Listen, uh I was thinking when I was listening on this topic, where were you the audio's not that good? I'm here at the living room, and and this is uh Melissa here with me. Right. And uh um I was just thinking, uh I thought I would heard Alicia say that um they needed people to take declarations on the trail regarding these uh these uh interactions with the police. Does she does she Alicia? Do you want any decorations or declarations?

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:23:42**

I think it would be helpful, yeah, to get declarations, but mostly of those who were picked up but were given the citation that says, you know, this is to confirm you were not arrested and you were not under the influence.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:24:02**

Yeah, that would be powerful. Uh Jesse.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:24:07**

Last point. I just had a uh uh um a thought about

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Like, okay, so if we go and we say, like, hey, this is not okay, you know, people are totally traumatized by this, etc. I was thinking that well, they have to do their training right, and they have to do like, you know, maybe they're they're they're out out in the public or what about like okay, maybe you guys can go and ask people if they want to do it for a stipend and they can give out like gift cards or something like that, you know? And and maybe people, I mean, I don't know. I'm just thinking like maybe they'd want to do it for 20 bucks, like say, hey, and volunteer, so it's not such a uh forced situation. CHB's got the money, let's let's make them pay for it.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:24:50**

I hate that idea. You do ask suggest people get 20 bucks to have your blood taken? Well, I don't know, there's the blood walking around looking at you. No. Well, it's it would be volunteer at least. It would be volunteer. Like if they wanted to I'm I'm sorry. I I don't mean to put this down, it maybe it's a good idea, but I just have this emotional response. Uh let's go back to the order again. I'm sorry, did you have more to say, Jesse? Okay, uh Nina and then Gail.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:25:24**

I was just saying that um my friend that's autistic, he's totally traumatized. Like he he's afraid of the cops now and he wants to fight with them, and yeah, it's it's crazy. But I have talked to a lot of people and they said they would they would um write a statement about their CHP happenings.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:25:55**

Thank you. Let's get it done. Uh Gail.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:25:59**

Yeah. You know, people used to sell their blood when they donated blood, they used to get a hundred bucks for it, something like that. Um, but I wanted to ask, are these people being are they trespassing on state property and being picked up or are they picking

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:26:16**

U on city property or county property. Both.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:26:21**

Both. And so Jason said and Nina, both private property and government property, common, you know, city. So it's not just a matter of trespassing. Doesn't seem like it. No.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:26:38**

Thank you. Jesse.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:26:42**

Did you still want to say something? Legacy. Okay.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:26:47**

So uh my feeling, I love the idea of collecting things, and I think we should make some kind of system to do it. But I think this is outrageous enough. I don't even think we I we had a letter all ready to go. And it's very clear to me what they're doing. It's very clear it's there's a grant to do training. They're picking up all those people to be their guinea pigs. And it's outrageous. So I would like to work on that letter, get it off this week sometime. And um what do you think? Am I completely facing that?

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Who are you gonna send it to?

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:27:30**

What? Where does the letter go?

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:27:34**

It would be a public letter. So it would go to all the people that we, you know, the board of supervisors, the Chris Rogers, the press democrat, everybody we can think of. Okay.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:27:47**

The Mental Health. I agree. Yeah. Should go there.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:27:53**

Okay.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:27:55**

Yeah, Middle Health Board, obviously, of course. Uh Jesse? Um, I think that in the letter it should be a request to have a seat at the table to discuss it too.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:28:07**

Yeah.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:28:10**

That's good. Uh I just gotta throw this in because Jesse uh made a little uh poster for us, which we have on our our in our office that says

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:28:21**

If you can't get a seat at the table, bring a folding chair. Nothing about us without us. Right. Alice. Um, I may have missed this. Is this training is it specifically for doing this with homeless people, or do they just need anyone um to train on anyone who might be under the influence or to test them to be under the influence? It's anyone. It's not specific to homeless. I think that's just their easy go-to place to have guaranteed. Yeah, right? I know it's it's insane. 'Cause to me, that seems like a massive issue that they're targeting homeless people. Absolutely. That to me is front and center. Well, they could go to the country club, you know, next to the golf course. They could go there. Find a lot of drunks there. Yeah.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:29:18**

That's right. And they're not just testing, I think, for drunk driving or drunks. It's I think it's a wider training. They have to go look again at what it says they're gonna train people in, but it's like identifying people under the influence. So whether it's drugs, alcohol. So isn't um if Alicia is with us, um isn't that illegal to be targeting homeless people to to do their uh medical training? Medical legal training. I don't think we looked into this issue. Um it's kind of difficult and borderline uh legally, but it's definit definitely ethically not right.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:30:10**

Um so I think going in at that angle is a better angle for this group.

**user - Mar 02, 2026 10:30:18**

Yeah. Gregory and then Nina. That's why I really wanted focused on Chris Rogers. The

**user - Mar 02, 2026 10:30:26**

Design of this program is under the control of the state legislature. They gave the grant to the highway patrol. It's Chris Rogers' responsibility to straighten out the design of this program and perhaps to tell the highway patrol you can't focus on homelessness. I mean, if we have to go to the state legislature and put a bill together that directs the highway patrol to do a better job of training without homeless, then that's what we ought to do. And you know, it's no one else but the legislature has control over the highway patrol. There is a director of the highway patrol and they report to Gavin. So it's either Gavin's director that we need to talk to, or the legislative committee that authorized the grant.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:31:13**

Yeah. Good point. Uh Nina. Yes. Uh that's what I was wondering. I was like, well, who gave them permission to do this? And why does nobody in the state uh know about it?

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:31:28**

Yeah.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:31:30**

Yeah, it's definitely an abuse of power. I mean, to me it seems completely unconstitutional to pick people up on some pretense and make them into your guinea pigs. But as we see, the constitution is

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being interpreted very broadly right now, and who knows uh if it would hold up in court, but I think it will hold up in the court of public opinion. So I'm sorry, it is just so morally bankrupt. And I completely agree with Gail's proposal to go to the country club bar and ask those folks. Sorry, this has just suddenly lit a fire under me. This really pisses me off. Um I not to totally drive you crazy here, Adrian. But I apologize.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:32:32**

It's been tried by people way but way better than you.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:32:37**

But um I I didn't understand what your objection was to Chessy's idea, especially if we could expand this to the country club bar to pay people anyone to um do a blood test for this. Yeah, and at least she was saying let's go to the wineries to get the to get the drug people. Uh my objection is I know homeless people are a lot of times desperate for cash. And they will do stuff for 10 bucks or 20 bucks that I would never personally do. You know, and I think uh it's it's to say if they want to pay people a couple hundred dollars for doing this, maybe that would be a personal choice or there's someone would want to, but it's an invasive thing to have a blood test.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:33:34**

That's not you know, no, not for twenty bucks. If it just they could get be gathering other uh information in that person's blood work. Well, they might, but you know, nobody should stick a needle or a pin in my in my body.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:33:57**

You know, that's that just like I'm saying, it's very invasive. Okay. Thank you. Um okay, Victoria, Gail, and then Nina.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:34:09**

Well, as an aside, I think it would be great to have a little war where uh they go and have the experience and they get their 20 bucks and then we give them 40 to do a good decoration for us. Anyway, um yeah, um I was thinking of other avenues of what to do because you know we do letters and you know we really don't they don't of course

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:34:37**

Respond with us really. So um what about um taking this to the grand jury?

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:34:48**

That's a good idea. Gail.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:34:53**

Yeah, quickly. Um so you really can't get a legal consent from someone that's under the influence that doesn't stand up in court. And uh secondly, actually, actually, I wouldn't give money to someone that had an addiction problem. I just wouldn't. I'd give them pizza.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:35:16**

Jesse I just uh I when I was a paramedic I worked, uh we had the contract with CHP to do blood draws. And so I know it's a very extensive, it was a pilot program originally. We still have well paramedics and stuff county, they still have a um uh contract with CHP. And I I've never, I mean, Nina said she maybe had somebody that she knew knows of, but every person, and this has been years that this has been going on. I've never heard of a blood test being taken at at these instructional in order to get um other in it's an instruction course for instructors to be able to identify uh identify um field sobriety. A blood test requires it to a paramedic to then take that. We we take that and we have to submit it, and it it takes a while for that to come back. It's not an immediate thing, and this is an immediate thing, so it's more of a you know, darkness with the lights and with um with balance tests and with breathalyzers and other tests that they do. And I've I've never heard of of anything invasive at all. So that's why I was referring to like all right, you you know, you want to do the field, they're supposed to identify it and then they have cause to go into a blood draw, but they have to have that cause um to be able to do it. And if they're doing a blood test, they're gonna be arresting them. So

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:36:40**

So I'm gonna I'm gonna just way back off the blood testing. I it seems like I went with an extreme moment. Um I I still object to paying people for this this particular thing. Homeless people. So go ahead, Gail. Yeah, you know, I think Jesse's got a point. They're not just testing at the moment to see if somebody's intoxicated, they're collecting data on that person. A hair analysis. You can't do that on the moment. And what are you doing back for? So they're kind of like building a case uh against this person to put in the records, like almost DNA kind of stuff. And that does really seem weird to do to somebody who's intoxicated who really can't give consent. Thank you. That's all I'll take my hand down. Yeah, and I don't think we know that they're doing that, but it's reasonable to question for sure. Alice and then Gregory. That's um Chessie's last point. Um is it even necessary for them to be doing blood draws? And is this the equivalent of getting a phlebotomy certificate? Um do they have other medical like a paramedic would. But why um why is it even necessary for them to be doing blood draws? They're not doing blood drops. I've never heard of them. And I think she was saying, Alice, I think I was wrong. Yeah, they they never do blood draws on their in order for them, their CHP doesn't have a phlebotomy. They don't have it. So if you're doing it for the the purposes of being under the influence, it has to be a paramedic that's dispatched that has a run number with the county, um, and and it goes through a whole system. They can't just take blood. Um the hospital has the hospital and paramedics are the only ones. That means they would have to respond out. Um I and I've never heard of that. So they they don't take blood unless Nina has something different. I've never heard of them actually doing that. It's a it's an identification course. They don't.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:38:45**

They have people from all over the state that are in this classroom that are paying a lot of money to become you know instructors on being able to evaluate people and and they they can't take the time to go take someone to jail and turn it you know have a paramedic come out to do a blood test anyway. So why are they training to do blood draws? They're not the blood draws, but they're not training to do blood draws.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:39:09**

I think that's kind of confusing the whole process of this. Blood draws, blood draws are are given if there's a vehicle accident or something where there's suspicion and somebody's refusing to do like a breathalyzer or they're playing the game of not doing it, they call a paramedic out to do a blood draw. Okay. But it has yeah, they're not doing it on these. Um I could be I apologize, Alice. I wrote down the wrong. Yeah. So so they're being trained to do the usual breathalyzer and a more advanced, like a more advanced like level where they look in more depth about it to really be able to get those people. Yeah. All right, thank you. All right, Gregory, and then Nina. I think we need to hear what they do from them. I think we need to ask uh Chris Rogers to ask the trainer, whoever it is in this county who's doing the training to come talk to us about what it is they're doing and answer questions. Um I don't think we're gonna get very far unless we know exactly what it is they're doing. And it sounds like we're sort of like the committee and the elephant. We're we're looking at it from lots of different points of view, and none of it's giving us very much information.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:40:23**

Uh Nina.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:40:25**

I have a few friends that said they've got their hair follicles and blood draw, and they're like treated like a guinea pig. Yeah. Out here. Yeah, I uh that that's where I go. Like, why do we need all this information? We know what's going on, we know it's ridiculous. Yeah, traumatic and discriminatory and

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so many ways wrong ethically if you want to say that um but let's continue victoria yeah i just wanted everybody to know that we've got um undocumented farm worker homeless advocate mari carmen aguila right here hey listen thank you hi carmen hey how are you I'm so happy we got her at a meeting welcome welcome yay uh okay thank you so let's talk about the next steps but like Gregory's saying we're kind of all over the map with all of this but there's a few things that seem to pop up for me one is uh the next time it happens can someone or a couple people offer to go out and do this questionnaire with the people who got picked up is there anyone here who's willing to take that on um I have uh like

five friends uh just the other day that they said they will do a statement or something so we don't really need to wait for the next time we could just whoever this is could make a date with Nina uh to beat her and go out and talk to her friends and do the um questionnaire yes Victoria I would like to put together a statement from somebody's statement I'm good at taking those good good so you could do at least one of these that would where do I find Nina Nina I'm on the show by Denton okay give me your phone number now I don't have a phone right now okay uh but um I'm ready

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:42:54**

By the stoplight by Denton across the street from the loop.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:43:02**

But the people are um on uh oh I'll show you if you get here. Victoria, I can give you Jason's number, which is what they're on right now, if that's okay, Nina.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:43:18**

Yeah, that's fine. Okay, it's five five three zero six four three two three three zero.

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Okay, uh Gregory. Nina, I'm gonna come find you because I want to give you uh a Fieldy device, which is um uh a kind of summarizing of a conversation device because with it and a cell phone you can gather what I think is great statements. It creates summaries of conversations, and those can be entered into law. Those are basically uh as I'm putting them on HIPAA. So um I I want to make it as easy as possible for what what Victoria calls declarations, um, but they are summaries of the conversations you can have with anyone you encounter uh so that you don't have to do much writing, you're not you're not responsible for having some form filled out. We can just use fieldy devices, uh, and you uh you deserve one more than anybody. Um Chessie can show you how to use them, I can show you how to use them, but basically it's just a necklace that you wear that records everything around you. Okay, that that'd be awesome. Okay, uh Chessie and then Gail. So I have the schedule for CHP um on when their next classes are, etc. Um, and there's a contact number on here too.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:45:00**

seen this one before and I've researched so like three third 3 30 um through 4 1 so eight 8 a.m on 3 30 and so those are three days guaranteed they're gonna be down there like that would be so awesome if we could get the press democrats somebody somebody down there so my suggestion would be like two parts would be um need is down there so maybe we could have a tree so like Nina can call like Nina's is really good about calling me or Alicia like so um and then from there like if we're not available like we call um eileen or uh Gail and and we all have this like you know a somewhat we need to capture like the certain questions so I could like print out and deliver to people or um email just like the simple ones like were you handcuffed in the back of the car did you you know were you told it was voluntary and and we do that so then Nina with her limited you know capacity of charging her phone and hot on the call you know where they're doing it we could show up and be there by the time they get dropped back off and just right there you know like this could be a really good thing so I would recommend us having a whoever can do it and it goes to the next person until we find somebody that can go down there and do it and do it right then because if we don't do it right then it just gets watered watered down um and and just nail these guys okay and I can look at the I think there's other classes too so I I can look at that and maybe report back next week or um we could do it right now I don't know.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:46:41**

Uh Gail Yeah so are we waiting for one of these paper declarations to be delivered to you Adrian so that you can send out this letter to the public I don't think so but it's you know I'm not I'm I'm I have my own idea here but not ever I don't know if you all are agreement with

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:47:05**

that I think that there's two, you know, like your idea should go ahead and then we should still continue to document as much as we can just for strength. Okay. Yeah, does that fit your idea, Adrian? Yeah. And I think Gregory's idea, I mean there's really three. There's the let's get down on the trail, get the statements, show up at the time that that's actually happening, but also get these statements we've already gotten from people who've already been picked up. Gregory's idea to bug Chris Rogers and get him involved in a meeting with CHP and then a public letter. And I think we have the capacity to do all three. So is there anybody that disagrees with that?

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:47:51**

No. When didn't Don call CHP and ask them and and they said it's all voluntary. People say that they'll go with us like you know I've really forgotten Don I for I had forgotten that Don did that work he went and talked to them and he actually had someone to talk to him. But I don't remember what they said. I remember they said it's voluntary. So if we could really capture that gonna be there yeah that's gonna be yeah okay we we tell them as well it's you know if they want to but and so if we could capture the facts of individuals saying like no I thought like I would be arrested or

targeted if I didn't right. So could should we have a hand to everybody that wants to do all three? Yeah go with it okay good all right so we'll come back next week and see what we've been able to accomplish and I just would like to encourage you anyone who's kind of thinking about going down and talking to one of the five people or or more that have been picked up please do it.

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Maybe next week too though those days that we know for sure that they have the training maybe we could um just designate somebody to sit there like we could do

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hour box, you know, of sitting in our even if it's sitting in our car right down there at Dutton, you know, when they get dropped off. Just so we're there. Like let's get them. This enough talk. It's so infuriating. I think my blood pressure has been up for two years because of this. It's so good. A pack of cigarettes with me so I can bribe people.

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All right. So good work.

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Let's do uh some announcements. I don't know if you were all here, but we had had this big discussion about the flock surveillance cameras, which are being sold as license plate readers.

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But there's a lot of concern about it. And Jerry was going to put all that together and and put a letter together for us. But he wasn't able to get that done. So I'm putting that off till next week.

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Announcements about upcoming meetings or uh in the job fair anybody got announced.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:50:09**

Yes, great.

**user - Mar 02, 2026 10:50:11**

Tomorrow at 1230 to 230 in the NOVA conference room at 2227 Capricorn Way the committee that I chair of the behavioral health board which is preparing an annual report and an and reviewing the integrated plan that the county is producing, which it's uh Nolan tells me and his staff tell me that they're going to have the funding which has been absent. They've they have a draft plan that's on the web and I have it on uh HEPA and it doesn't have any money. It's just a whole lot of questions from the state about what are you going to do to solve this and this and this and this. They've told me that they'll they have to submit the entire complete draft with money from all the different sources where the department gets money by next week to the county administrator. I'm trying to get it to the to my meeting tomorrow which they said they'll try but soon we will have at least something

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People can respond to. They'll agencies that are expecting money out of Measure O or Opioid or BHSA or Medical will be able to see whether they're going to get it in the next three years. Because the plan is supposed to be identifying who's going to get funded. And that's going to cause reaction. People are going to say, what? You mean my agency's not going to get any more money after this first three years? Or it's not getting any money at all from any of the other sources. So I expect that the what I put on HEPA, and again I want to point back to the HEPA.org. I just put the plan from Sonoma Valley on HEPA.org, so if you can't find it anywhere else, you'll find it there. And you'll find whatever I can dig out of the county through the behavioral health board. Now this is I've said it before, but there is a an allowance, there's a new right that I have from the Brown Act changes to put all this stuff on a what they what the Brown Act calls a internet-based social media platform, which is what HEPA is. So things will appear on the HEPA platform on the HEPA website that the county's not going to want me to put.

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But it's going to become a form.

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That I'm gonna use to try to highlight uh issues around the operation of the health department and issues around how we're moving forward in the next three years to do the variety of things we're supposed to be doing, which include substance use disorder, which include mental health, and which include homelessness. So within the uh the broad territories of homelessness, substance use, and mental health, my committee has the right to be able to put on the web

um through me, and as long as nobody else on my committee comments on it, it's not violating the Brown Act. So I'm making it real clear that this is just Gregory putting out what he can find and what he thinks you ought to know about. Um so pay attention to HEPA.org. It should hopefully contain both the things I've found that I think you know should know about and the things you are finding that you want others to read. It's your way of getting to uh all the policymakers because they're gonna start reading it. They can't comment on it, but they're gonna start using it in committee meetings that they show up saying, hey, I read on HEPA this. What do you all think? It's gonna hopefully save us time in meetings because we're not gonna have as much per public testimony in the meeting. I'm gonna be trying to funnel it to the HEPA.org website uh so everybody can read it and we don't have to crowd meetings and or have too many long meetings. Okay, thank you. I let that go a little bit because we did have HEPA.org on our agenda. Uh Victoria and Gail. Yeah, so this is uh tomorrow at 1230. Yes, tomorrow at 1230 at 2227 Capricorn uh room two oh one. It's called the Nova conference room. Goes from 230, 1230 to 230, two hours.

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Thank you. Uh Gail. 1230 to 230. Yes.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:55:25**

So are we continuing with HEPA.org or shall I just hold it? No, go ahead. Make your we're finished with that. Okay. Okay. Um I was shocked to read because I've just started reading this morning on HEPA.org that the California state of California had wiped the website clean of much information they didn't, or rather, maybe Google wiped it clean of information information they didn't think should be on there. Is that what I read? No, you're Yeah, there's a lot on HEPA. What Gail's referring to is the state of California's housing and community development department has for years every week put out uh uh the kind of list of all the news articles about homelessness and affordable housing and other stuff. So for two years from night 2019 to 2021, I posted on a blog, not HEPA.org, but on a blog called Hello How Homeless Housing News, everything the housing and community development department put out. And it was a great list for journalists and others because they could just go there and find, you know, directly to the article in the San Jose News or Los Angeles Times or whatever about homelessness. Two in in 21 they the housing and community development department and Google jointly said, Gregory, you can't put that up. It's ours. We're the ones who should be putting it up. And people should be Googling housing and community development to find it. I was I wasn't gonna fight them, so I just stopped doing it. But I kept the news articles coming into my website into my box. So there's thousands of them, and I'm gonna be trying to put them. So last two weeks ago, Google changed their mind and said, Nope, okay, Gregory, you can put them anywhere you want. So I'm gonna be trying to put them back on the website. It's called homeless housing news. It's a Google blog. And hopefully that'll start all of you able to be able to, you know, find those articles that we periodically put in, you know, our Google news about some San Jose program or about some I mean housing community development, which is a state department that funds all this stuff, has 18 staff members who who are charged with trying to find all this for their own bosses. So they just send it out and it hardly anybody knows about it, and so I was putting it up so people would know about it. That's what Gail's talking about.

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Okay.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:57:57**

Um I think oh yes, uh Alice. Um this is off topic with homelessness, but I'm gonna put a message if it's okay in the chat, if anyone wants to.

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the White House to tell them to stop bombing Iran.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:58:12**

Thank you. That has definitely uh impacted me greatly this weekend. Yeah. Area and Alicia.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:58:25**

Sorry, you're muted.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:58:30**

Are we on announcements? Yes we are. Because um I wanted to ask Gregory and what he knows about tomorrow's city council meeting or voter supervisor. There isn't thank you as my favorite answer.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:58:47**

And is there a crochet circle today? Was that I said is there a crochet circle today I'm asking Pat. Oh Pat yeah well the funding ended. So the circle. Uh you know if there was more funding available for the circle I would continue. Melinda said I could have well when I asked her last week she said the space was available. You know I'd have to ask her again because I told her that the funding ran out.

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But I'm available. Thank you.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 10:59:22**

Uh any other last minute um topic yes I think I had my well first of all I wanted to congratulate homeless action. The case is officially over the 2018 really um on Friday the court vacated all dates um all court dates and I think I haven't been to all the homeless action meetings so I'm not sure whether or not homeless action is considering issuing a press release. Well the question is what happened well good I'm not sure if you guys have had any updates but basically we settled with the city um I think it was Thursday when they finally

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signed the um stipulated agreement and I'm putting together a um a slideshow uh to kind of go over the city and the county uh stipulations are vastly different so I would like to like for example the cities is only for a year that agreement's only one year the counties is three years the city agreed um or the county agreed to bag and tag the county did or the city did not agree to bag and tag um so there's a lot of differences and um I think a slideshow presentation would help explain that um so I'm looking into doing the slideshow presentation. I want to put it on slideshow just say I want to put the slideshow on HIPAA. Okay cool. Yeah it's good for everyone to know uh about what's in these uh stipulated agreements and um but congratulations to everyone everyone who worked on this um so all the people who might have been um called to co to testify are off the hook nobody needs to testify anymore so um yay

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um and yeah so there are a lot of things the county and the city they have a couple of months to uh train all the officers so you know we still have um time before they're not saying oh I didn't know that was part of the agreement you know it could still happen for the rest of the year where somebody's not trained on the uh stipulated agreement

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But I think that uh for the most part um like a couple weeks ago I was out at the jungle, um which is between Burbank and I think what is that, McMinn.

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And the officers were are being a little cautious about what they were taking or what they were saying to people, but yeah. So yes.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:02:50**

And I see a lot of hands here and I have my own eleven oh two. So let let's just each of us be really uh quick as quick as you can. Uh Victoria, Dina, Pat, Gregory. Yeah. I think they caved in because they knew I was gonna testify and they were really scared. Yeah, that's the reason. That was the Victoria.

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Nina.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:03:17**

I just wanna say congratulations to you guys and your crew. The law crew. Thank you. About time it's over. Yeah, thank you.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:03:28**

Yeah, providing direct services. That's how we did it. Oh yes. I'm remembering what we did. Yeah. Community lawyering is what we're about. Yeah. Yeah. Patrick. Good job, Alyssa. Yeah, good job. Thank you. I'll let the rest of the team know.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:03:49**

Pat, Gregory Chessey. Did did did any did they give money to anybody? Yes, and uh we will discuss that as part of the but basically um the agreement provides for a little bit of money for Nina, a tiny bit. Okay, money for Nina um and some and some attorney fees. Yay! Hello.

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What about Mike Garmin?

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Um I just wanted I just want to say I'm gonna call Gregory after, so could you be available, Gregory? Oh yeah. Okay, thanks. Great. Well, thank you to the oh go ahead, Chasey. Are you there, Chip? That's legacy, sorry. I just wanted Gregory to call or call Gregory.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:04:38**

So thank you to the lawyers. Obviously, they did the heavy list lifting, but also Gail has been really steadfast on this committee for a long time. I am completely confused, like did we win anything? I'm not sure. So

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Wait till the slideshow.

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Hopefully we'll know more by then. And I think the short answer is yes.

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And we've won some, you know, along the way we've also won a lot of things, like Eliza's Village and other things. So I think yes.

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Alicia, maybe or can can maybe you do a a slideshow next week for homeless action.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:05:21**

Don't know if you if you have it done by then, maybe you could start with us. Yeah, as soon as I get that completed, yes, I will. Um I also wanted to ask whether or not I read correctly. I guess this is a question maybe for Greg. Um does the CDC have money for fair housing training? And if so, is SAVES looking to get that contract? Yes and yes. I mean, yes, to do they have money. I don't know whether both the housing authority of the city of Santa Rosa and the housing authority of the county has money to do fair housing. Um I don't know what SAVES is gonna do. And I don't know who's providing fair housing other than the Marin County. Uh quite a while ago, they were con both of them were contracting with a group out of Marin County called Fair Housing Marin. So yeah, for housing articles. We are not looking at that because would seem like it's not something that's really what we I mean, I don't know that we're needed. So if you think we are, please uh let me know, Alicia. Maybe you should give me a call. I think you are. And I think um who has a contract right now is Catholic charities. Um so they train, I believe, people with fair housing issues um at um like the shelters or uh permanent supportive housing, which I'm not sure what that training all involves, but I think SAVES would do an excellent job and Chessy and all the team. So I and we can help with that. But yeah, Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California also um do some of the training, but I don't think they do they don't have that contract, I don't think. I could be wrong. Okay. Well, if if anyone runs across the request for proposals or you know what we have to do to apply, please send it on because I have not been paying attention. Uh go ahead, Greg. Are you I'm gonna take that training?

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Well, I I was just gonna

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Remind you that um the behavioral health board is asking the county for all contracts um issued in the last year uh and for any contracts currently being developed uh for either the money we just gave out or the integrated plan money. So we're gonna become the source of at least the scopes of work and the budgets for all contracts issued by the county and we can extend that uh to the housing authorities, both the city and the county. Have you gotten any of those contracts yet? Yeah, we have two years ago every contract the county has. But we haven't got last year.

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I know you do, and that's why I'm telling you about it. We also are look trying to get last year's contract, which is the one you want, um for you know Los Gilicos, not two years ago. Uh yeah, you're right. Okay.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:08:30**

Anybody else? Thank you so much, everybody. Thank you, Adrienne. Yeah. See you next week. Thank you. Excuse me.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:08:40**

The next evening is in person. The next week is in person and maybe uh our our person, I'm sorry, lost your name already, who's sitting there next to Victoria. Please come and meet us. Please come.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:08:59**

Yes. Your name is Eagles.

**Unknown - Mar 02, 2026 11:09:04**

All right, everybody. See you later. Have a good week. I'm gonna be bugging you. Thank you.