















# **QUARTERLY OPEN HOUSE**

Community Gathering for Fair Housing



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## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We, the City of San Jose Housing Department, acknowledge that San Jose sits on the ancestral lands of native people including the Muwekma Ohlone (mah-WEK-mah Oh-loh-nee) people and aboriginal homeland of the Thamien (Thah-mee-en) Nation. We recognize the resilience of native culture and community. Let us acknowledge with respect all indigenous peoples as they have stewarded this land throughout the generations and not forget the painful history of colonization. The Housing Department acknowledges this history as we work towards a more equitable and inclusive future.



Ohlone Dancers at Mission San Jose in 1806 (Langsdorff Expedition)

# Introductions/Raffle

# Community Agreements

- Respect & listening
- Take space, make space
- Mute when not speaking, team will mute if needed
- Transparency
- Get to know each other and what we are working on individually outside of this space
- Know our experiences, be aware of our privileges, and work together without judgement
- Create space to foster creative ideas
- Bring our discussions public and into our communities

## **Community Testimony**

Why did you show up today? What are your interests and priorities?

Que te motivo para participar hoy? Que temas te gustaria que presentaramos en la proxima Casa Abierta y cuales son tus prioridades?

Tại sao bạn tham dự cuộc họp này ngày hôm nay? Sở thích và ưu tiên của bạn là gì?

# **Community Testimony**

Report out

Break (5 min)

# Introducing the Quarterly Open House Community Gathering for Fair Housing

# What is the Quarterly Open House, Community Gathering for Fair Housing?

- Quarterly meeting of people committed to advancing racial equity in Housing Department's policies, programs, and funding
- Amplify the voices of Black, Indigenous, Latinx, Asian American Pacific Islander, Women, LGBTQ+, people with disabilities, and community members with lived experience of being unhoused

Name	Organization
Kalisha Webster	Housing Choices
Marisa Corriea-Hernandez	PHI Fellow [Health Trust/Destination:Home]
Rita Birreta*	Valley Palm Unidos/East PEACE Partnership
Mayre Balanzar*	Valley Palm Unidos/East PEACE Partnership
Aundraya Martinez	Santa Clara County Office of Immigrant Relations
Don Orozco	Filipino-American Chamber of Commerce
Bob Nunez	NAACP – San Jose/Silicon Valley
Victor Vasquez	SOMOS Mayfair
Annie Wu	SCC Public Health Department/East PEACE Partnership
Michele Mashburn*	Disability Advocate
Shaunn Cartwright*	Unhoused Advocate/Unhoused Response Group
RJ Ramsey*	Unhoused Advocate
Mylinh Pham	Asian American Center of Santa Clara County

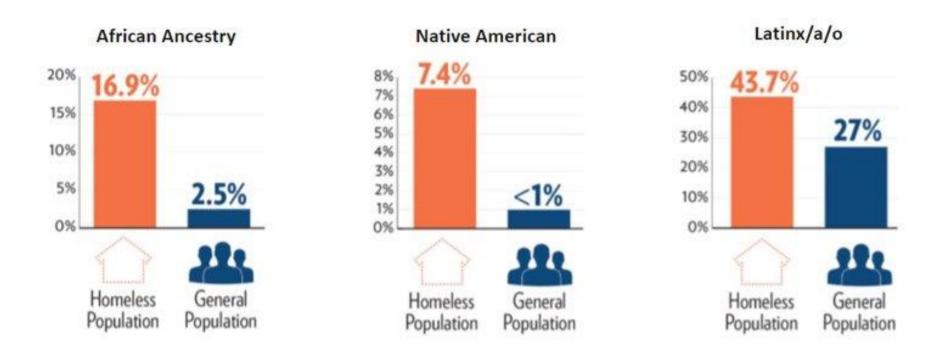
Governor Peter Hardeman Burnett, in a second state of address in the state Capitol of San José, says, "That a war of extermination will continue to be waged between the races until the Indian race becomes extinct and must be expected."

The San José Council for Civic Unity lead a campaign where about two thousand homeowners signed an "open housing covenant" declaring:

"I hereby bear witness that I am ready to welcome into my neighborhood residents of whatever race, creed, or national origin."

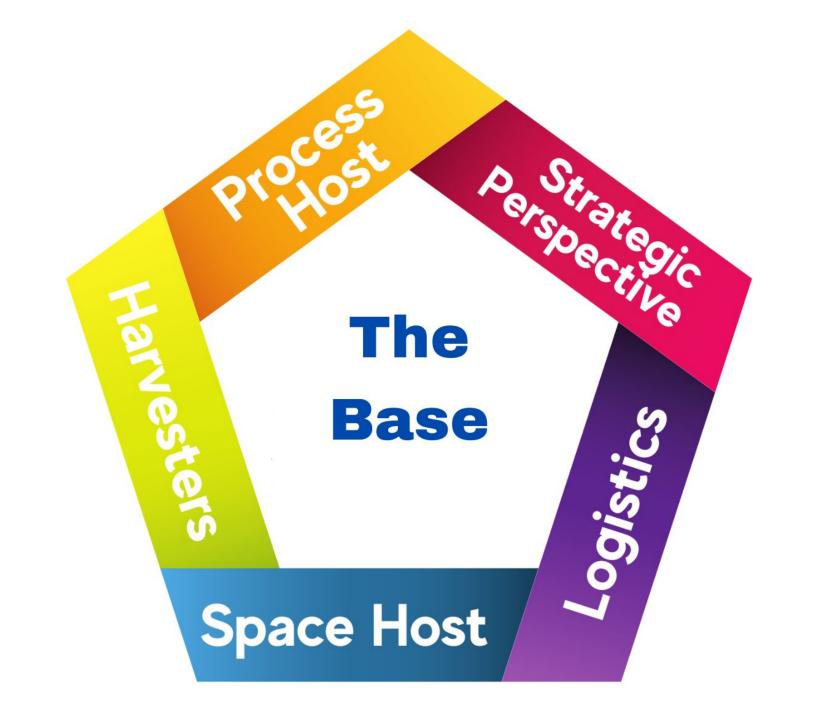
# Racial Disparities in Homelessness

Overall, Santa Clara County is generally similar to other communities across the U.S., with high rates of homelessness among people of color:



In contrast, non-Hispanic people and those who identify as Asian/Asian

American are both significantly underrepresented in the homeless population.

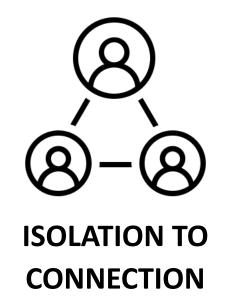


### What Do We Hope To Achieve?

- Bridge New Relationships and Improve Existing Relationships
   Between City, Community Groups and Individuals
- Consistent engagement with communities/individuals most impacted by housing insecurity and homelessness
- Increase representation of resident leaders in decision-making and leadership roles
- Raise awareness of existing resources, provide referrals if needed
- Provide space for community members to coordinate mutual aid



CENTERING EQUITY
IN FUNDING,
POLICY, AND
PROGRAMS





CIVIC EDUCATION
AND COMMUNITY
LEADERSHIP

Housing is a fundamental human right.

Everyone deserves to be valued and respected for who they are without discrimination and have the opportunity to live in a home that is safe, stable, and affordable.

# How Do We Overcome Limiting Beliefs?

Will not actualize systemic changes

Regularly acknowledge progress and wins

Sponsored by leadership and has participants from City Council, CMO, and Housing Dept

Transparency and systems of accountability

Communicate Housing Department's capacity

Some topics are "off-limits"

Topics are set by steering committee based on participant interests

Connect participants to external efforts which may align with their interests.

Doesn't actively end someone's homelessness

Social workers will be available to assist with referrals to programs

Creating space for participants to coordinate mutual aid

The Open House will cause additional work

Could streamline communication and collaboration.

Providing stipends to community leaders on steering committee

Check-in if the Open
House impedes the
functions of community
groups and the Housing
Department

You can learn more about our initiative on our website at:

https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/housing/about-us/open-house-quarterly-convening



# Raffle

# City of San José Housing Department 101

**Quarterly Open House [9/1/22]** 

Presenters:

Jacklyn Joanino-Sipat,

Alejandra Tlalli-Miles

What does City government do?



### **How is the Government Structured?**

- The City of San Jose voters elect the San Jose City Council.
- The San Jose City Council creates laws, sets the City budget, and hires the City Manager. The City Manager oversees the Housing Department.
- The Housing Department carries out San Jose specific housing programs and priorities to expand affordable housing and end homelessness. This is done through funding and managing certain programs.
- Housing Department staff work different teams that specialize in certain areas, such as affordable housing, homelessness, communications, and more.



**Mayor Sam Liccardo** 





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Term expires 12/31/22 Chief of Staff: J. Reed



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### How to Affect Decisions



Participate in the policymaking process by sharing your experience and knowledge with Housing Department staff directly through Quarterly Open House.



Attend a Tuesday council meeting at 1:30PM and make your voice heard during public comment, or at Council Committee meetings or Commissions.



Email, call, or request a meeting with a city council member.

## How to Affect Decisions



Serve on a board or commission



Hold a press conference or communicate with the media



Organize a rally

# Housing Items going to City Council

### **September 27**

 Lived Experience Advisory Board Stipend Funding Agreement

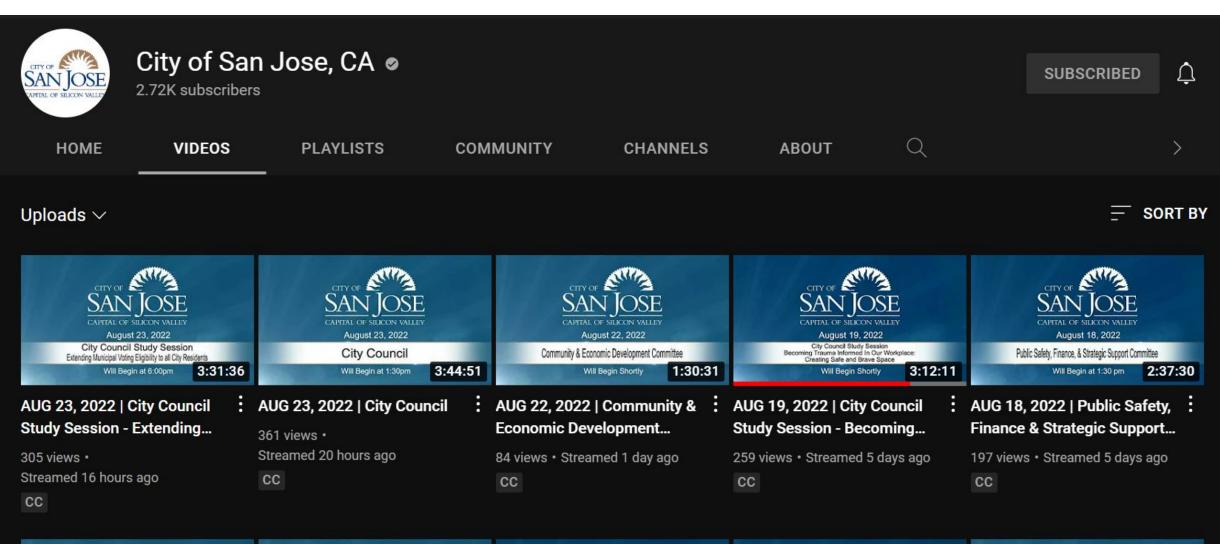
### Fall/TBD

- Safe Encampment Resolution Program
- Affordable Housing Siting Policy
- SureStay
- Safe Parking at VTA

### Spring 2023/TBD

- Community Opportunity to Purchase
- Housing Element/Assessment of Fair Housing

### https://www.youtube.com/c/CityOfSanJoseCalifornia/













# Raffle

The Housing Department's mission is to strengthen and revitalize our community through housing and neighborhood investment.

The Housing Department has helped fund more than 21,000 new housing opportunities for San José residents, funds emergency shelter, creates policies and programs to prevent displacement and homelessness, and supports neighborhood-based programs to develop community leaders.





**Housing Department Staff** 

### **How to Reach Us**

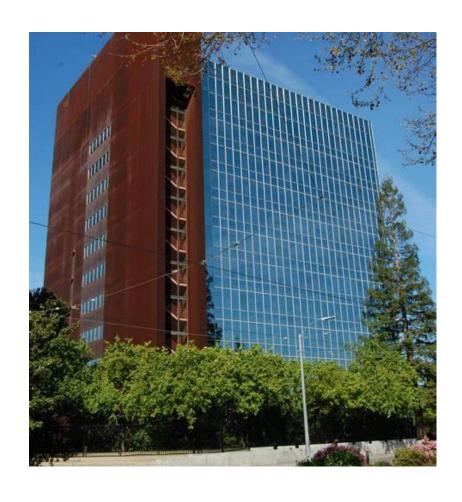
### City of San Jose Housing Department

200 E. Santa Clara Street, 12th Floor San Jose, CA 95113

> Phone (408) 535-3860 Monday-Friday 8:00am - 5:00 pm

San Jose Housing Dept. website

https://www.sanjoseca.gov/housing



# County of Santa Clara Departments

- Valley Medical Center
- Clerk Recorder's Office (birth, marriage certificates, etc.)
- Public Health
- Jail and Probation
- County Assessor's Office
- Social Services Agency
- Office of Supportive Housing









# HERE4YOU Call Center

a hotline to centralize referrals to temporary housing programs

(408) 385 - 2400

Call Center hours: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

- Match to emergency Shelters, including transportation
- Assistance to sustain current housing situation
- Referrals and linkages to community resources

# **Community Resources**



Housing

### Homeless Services

To get started or for a referral call:

Here4you Centralized Shelter Hotline

Call 408-385-2400 Operates daily from 9:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.

Most resources listed below require a referral.

#### SHELTERS FOR FAMILIES & CHILDREN

#### City Team-Heritage Home

408-294-1238

Serves pregnant women and new mothers includes services such as mentorship, basic needs for mother and baby, 12-step meetings and education and career training.

### City Team—House of Grace

408-885-8080

Serves women and their children 0-5 and services include housing, mentorship, 12-step meetings and education and career training.

### **Family Supportive Housing**

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#### RENTAL & OTHER ASSISTANCE

### **Homelessness Prevention System**

408-926-8885

Rental assistance is available for low-income Santa Clara County residents.

#### Sacred Heart

1381 South First Street, San José, CA, 95110 Housing & Financial Assistance: 408-709-2364

Financial Strength: 408-278-2172 JobLink Employment: 408-278-2172

Offers 2 essential food programs: a 3-day supplemental supply of groceries and an assortment of food for members who are currently homeless that requires no prep or cooking. Assists with past-due rent, emergency security deposit (to move into a new place), utility assistance and public transportation.

### Salvation Army

359 N. 4th Street, Room 202, San José, CA, 95112

408-282-1165 ext. 3210

Offers Thrifty Store Vouchers. Offers families large bag of groceries up to twice a month and provide fruits and vegetables every Monday morning.

### City of San José/Rental Rights & Referrals

200 E. Santa Clara Street, 12th floor.

408-975-4480

Mediate issues such as non-payment of rent, lease issues, nuisance issues, and roommate disputes. Tenant or landlord can contact City of San José Rent Stabilization program.

#### LifeMoves—Emergency Assistance Network

Providing one time emergency assistance to those in need. Contact Sandra Munoz via phone 408-271-0685 ext. 642 or email smunoz@lifemoves.org.

### The Health Trust/AIDS Services

408-961-9560

Rental Subsidy Assistance Program that assists those living with HIV/AIDS who have demonstrated medically related financial

#### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CONT.

### Family Violence Center

1671 The Alameda Suite #100, San José, CA, 95126 408-277-3700

The investigative unit specifically addresses domestic violence, child/elder abuse and threat management (stalking). The center is staffed by representatives of the District Attorney's Office, Adult Probation, Child Protective Services, Police Department, and a victim advocate.

#### NextDoor Solutions to Domestic Violence

234 E Gish Road. #200, San José, CA, 95112

Main office: 408-501-7550 24/7 hotline at 408-279-2962

Offers crisis counseling, legal support, shelter services, employment services and support groups.

#### YWCA of Silicon Valley

375 S. Third Street, San José, CA, 95112

Main office: 408-295-4011 24/7 hotline at 800-572-2782

Offers crisis intervention, legal services, emergency shelter, case management and supportive services.

### SafeChat SV

Confidential online chatting platform allowing people that are experiencing domestic violence or intimate partner violence to connect with an advocate for support. Everything shared is confidential.

#### Maitri

Tollfree helpline: 1-888-862-4874 Local helpline 408-436-8398 Office number: 408-436-8393

Services that are culturally and linguistically tailored to mitigate Services are tailored to help South Asians experiencing domestic violence, human trafficking, family conflict and cultural isolation. Offers helpline, legal advocacy, counseling, transitional housing and economic empowerment services.

# Questions?

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# Topics for future meetings?

How did we do? Please take our survey!
¿Cómo lo hicimos? ¡Por favor, responda nuestra encuesta!
Chúng tôi đã làm như thế nào? Vui lòng tham gia khảo sát của chúng tôi!

