

# San Diego Homeless News

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Photos: 2 of Home Depot sheds, suitable for temporary emergency housing; New toilets in Mexico at the new Chaparral (PedWest) Border Crossing; Meeting of the Governance Board of the Regional Continuum of Care Council, RCCC or CoC (see "Meetings").

In This Issue: Editorials; (2) Think-Tank Meetings; (4) Other News, Solutions; (5) Snide Comments.

## Feedback:

**Tom Theisen, President of the RTFH** (Regional Task Force on the Homeless) writes: "I read your newsletter every month, respect your positions, and learn something from every newsletter. Let's keep working to end homelessness in San Diego."

## Correction on Elections Lawsuit:

Ray Lutz: "The lawsuit is regarding JUST THE "AUDIT". We are NOT saying that they did not "COUNT" 285,000 ballots. Those may be counted, but **the result may be hacked in the computer UNLESS we get an audit that includes 100% of the ballots, with a 1% (or larger) sample.** State law is that all ballots CAST must be subjected to the possibility of random selection. That means hackers or compromised elections officials will be less likely to modify the election if they know that any ballots may be checked. Right now, 37% of the ballots are excluded from the AUDIT even though they may be counted. **But if they are counted, but not audited, then the result could be whatever they want because they can simply change the results in the computer with a few clicks of the mouse.**

Our original lawsuit attempted to stop certification of the election unless they did the audit according to the law. **They said it was okay because many other counties were also in violation of the law.** Attorney Alan Geraci told the judge to see if that reasoning works in court for a speeding ticket. **"Everyone else was speeding"** comes the defense. Sorry, that isn't how the law works. Two wrongs don't make a right."

**John Kitchin, trying to make the explanation clearer:** The procedure in use, to not **audit** all of the ballots, can be used to alter the election results without ever being caught. If the State Law is followed, requiring that all ballots **cast** be **audited**, a computer can still alter the election number results, but those doing that could be caught and prosecuted. So, was the election fair? Obviously not, because the procedure used to count and audit the votes was done in a way that any alteration

of those numbers could never be proven. Therefore, the numbers were altered.

**The "Sound Bite" version for those who need things super-simple goes like this:** Unless votes are "Audited", which saves them forever, and not just "Counted", the counts can be changed in the computer, but nobody can prove anything. Once "Audited", the Audit could then be used to prove that someone in the Registrar's Office (or a hacker) changed the election count numbers. **This did happen in Cincinnati, Ohio, regarding the election of George W. Bush, and our Michael Vu (or Wu) was the Registrar there at the time. Two of his top assistants went to prison.**

## Editorial on Costs, the Money Line:

It formerly cost the public **\$0 per night** to have the poor pay their own rent in the cheap downtown hotels. The City tore them down, however. • It costs **\$30 to \$40 per night** to house the homeless using hotel-motel vouchers, except for 2 problems: First, very few places accept them. Second, they are in areas that the homeless refuse to live in. • Jailing the homeless costs at least **\$200 a night, each**, which means that the 660 ticketed in the last six months under Misdemeanor Charges could cost the City **\$132,000 a day** to hold them in jail. This is nearly **\$4 million per month. About \$48 million per year.** It has been done before, but if we can persuade the homeless to do jail time, the cost to the City is astronomical. The City does not listen to anything except money. You disagree with my accounting? Okay, does your analysis of cost include the costs of jail construction, repairs, clothing, security guards, debt servicing, legal fees borne by the City, cash settlements mandated for injury and/or mistreatment while in custody, and medical procedures mandated by law, such as psychiatry, medicines, and even dialysis? I use a very low figure for cost. • **What makes the most sense with your taxpayer money?** New homeless shelters? University studies say that the only place shelters would be successful in San Diego is in Ocean Beach, Point Loma ("Three Points"), Mission Beach, Pacific Beach, or La Jolla. Downtown? Maybe, but probably not in East Village. Too dangerous. • ♦♦♦♦♦

# Conflicts of Interest:

HUD and other federal funding seems to be controlled by the very persons and organizations which receive it, which is a huge Conflict of Interests. I can understand having those who are philanthropists in control of how and with whom those funds are used, and can also understand having government officials weigh in on the process, but the method in current use appears to promote greedy nonprofits evaluating their own agencies more favorably and then administering money to themselves as "superior". I can understand the need for expertise on the boards which control funding, such as having real estate agents, healthcare professionals, or even ministry/Public Relations people share their talents, but **they should not be the same people or organizations that actually receive the allocated money!** That is just plain wrong. Politicians? Sure, provided that they do not themselves have a vested interest, such as owning real estate in the areas affected by money received to abate homelessness, or having investments in organizations that handle such real estate. Who understands funding better than those receiving the funds? Lots of people, including accountants, lawyers, business executives, and other service providers that are not part of receiving the particular money themselves. **Look at the CoC (RCCC) Board and tell me what is wrong with this group administering federal help money.** I have no trouble with these folks teaching agencies how to apply, what the rules are, what the definitions are, and that sort of thing, but these people should not be deciding exactly where our tax money is to go, because the answer to that is "to them", the very agencies both receiving the money and deciding who receives it. Are we to have these organizations see how much money they can receive on the problem? Are we to have them come up with their own rules as far as what "success" consists of? Why are we not hearing from those served instead, on what success is? It looks like the same providers of services are interested in growing rich at the taxpayers' expense, whether or not their services are effective. Time to stop having these agencies evaluate themselves and determine themselves who gets how much money. Very easy concept, and implementing this would provide both transparency and serve the public interests.

## Editorial on the Concept of Permanent Delay:

At the end of 2016, we get a new President and a new Congress. So, did your (our) plans regarding homelessness succeed or fail? They are not done yet? Yes they are, and all plans to deal with poverty meet with "delays" until our present politicians are no longer in office. Been that way at least a hundred years, and probably thousands of years. The new Congress and President will have different plans, and those plans will go beyond their elected terms in office, too, only to become "not completed yet". Then will come new-new plans, by another President and Congress. This is the Concept of Permanent Delay. It is part of the politics of corruption. All of the new-new-new-new plans were tried before, in a slightly different form, and failed. ♦♦♦♦♦

# Meetings:

**NOTE: Do not confuse the RCCC meetings with the RCCC Governing Board Meetings. These are different meetings, and both are covered in this issue.**

The regular membership meeting of the Regional Continuum of Care Council (RCCC or CoC for short) met **July 26** at the United Way Meeting Room, 4699 Murphy Canyon Road, Kearny Mesa, with 33 present. The agenda included two items: A survey of members, conducted previously, and the latest computer forms to apply for HUD funding. • John Walters of TACHS evaluated the survey of CoC members conducted from Mar. 31 to Apr. 15, the responses of which were anonymous. This survey was to measure attitudes, beliefs, and confidence. Surveys were of the sort where 1 meant strongly disagree thru 5 meaning strongly agree. Most subjects were not statistically relevant. Two-thirds of the response categories scored neutral. The following Plusses and Minuses were reported, however: **PLUS: My**

**agency is sufficiently notified of HUD changes, policy, and definitions.** That was the single response that was positive. **MINUSES: CAHP (VI-SPDAT)** (a system of priorities for those the most in need) My agency does not know how to use this system, nor does it understand the time-lines or have the resources to accept referrals. **Governance Board:** Many complaints. Does not represent the needs nor intent of its members, does not have the knowledge and experience necessary, does not have a clear vision for the future, no transparency, no direct access nor input, and their method of awarding contracts is neither clear nor competitive. **Agency Evaluations:** Are not an accurate assessment, have a poor ranking of priorities, the Evaluations Committee does not have a valid understanding of my Agency, and there is insufficient time to appeal. **CoC Charter:** Does not provide protections to predict future funds. **Communications:** Neither Housing First nor HUD's new definitions, such as "Chronically Homeless" have had a positive change on my Agency. • Next detailed instructions on how to fill out HUD's computerized forms for application or re-application for federal funds, the tables and schedules to be attached, the completion of the APR (Annual Performance Report), and the use of Scoring Tools to determine the effectiveness of each agency. NOTE: This is similar to an IRS Form 1040 Long-Form, for income tax, including all sorts of attachments, except that the computer does all the math for you. **DO NOT HIT "SUBMIT"!** **Have the team of professional evaluators go over your entire application, first!** • **New Agencies (less than one year old)** cannot supply a year of data for an evaluation, and will instead be evaluated according to "System Improvement", which means how they added to help regarding the entire CoC system of other members. There is a special "New Project" form. This form has 13 green-box questions, and you need to score 13 out of 13 in this section, which are questions of eligibility. Some are even essay questions, but can be machine-evaluated. • Updates are also new projects if they made significant changes, such as going from Permanent Supportive Housing to Rapid Rehousing. This can both score allocated money, plus cash bonuses. Regarding the Scoring Tools which will be used to evaluate agencies, you can run a computer simulation via Computer Tool 0625, available to members. **The biggest problem that CoC has in San Diego regarding HUD funding is that the Housing Commission has a lack of transparency.** End of Meeting. •

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**NOTE: Two different MAPSS meetings are covered in this issue, and their meeting time and place has now changed.**

**The Metropolitan Association of Providers of Social Services, MAPSS,** met per usual, the **Fourth Wed., July 27,** 10 AM, at the First Lutheran Church, 3rd and Ash, Downtown San Diego, with 26 present, an excellent showing for mid-summer. • Parking was discussed, and has always been a problem. **Announcements:** San Diego County Legal Aid now represents children, free, in **fighting for SSI benefits.** Phone toll-free 1-(844) 744-5463. Or, you could contact Dan Melcher or Nicole Mendoza. • Second Chance now has a **High School GED Program,** with a choice of dates and times, requiring only one day a week of classes. Free. Visit [www.sdce.edu](http://www.sdce.edu), or phone 619-388-4956. • Interfaith Community Services, Escondido, has **VETERANS ONLY beds available.** No families nor children. Males only in Escondido, males or females (no couples) in Oceanside. Links also provided to employment. • **Hotel-Motel Vouchers** have been used during super-hot weather, in the Unincorporated Areas only, and it is not clear where to get them. Supposedly, SD County no longer has vouchers, although Federal EFSP may have them. • Find My Food dot Org is assembling a **data base of food providers,** sort of like [NZ9F.com/B](http://NZ9F.com/B) or [NZ9F.com/F](http://NZ9F.com/F), but way more recently updated. Contact Jeeni Criscenzo to list your agency, [jeeni@amikas.org](mailto:jeeni@amikas.org). • The **Highlighted Agency for today is PATH, Persons Assisting the Homeless,** a Los Angeles nonprofit with facilities also in San Diego, such as Connections Housing on 6th and A downtown. They provide many different programs, including 84 male beds downtown, 50 female beds, with an **Interim Housing** stay of 30-90 days. They also provide case management, and it is all free, no rent, and no income required. They also have a **Permanent Supportive Housing** program with 73 units, occupancy of 1 or 2 per unit. To have 2 persons in the same unit, you must apply together for a unit, to live with a person of your choice (lover, spouse, etc.) You will never be forced to add a roommate if your application was for just one person. Much of this operates under CAHP, the **San Diego Homeless News 8-31-2016, Page 2** Coordinated

Assessment Housing Program, so that your VI-SPDAT score determines how in-need you are. If you have an income, this program requires you to pay 30% for rent. The waiting list is currently 2 years. Apply for any program at 6th and A during weekday business hours. They also operate a **Veterans Program** under HVRP which permits one month of possessions storage, and there is a drop-in day program for vets. In addition, they have **16 hotel SRO units** open to anyone with a minor disability, on a 6-month lease. Singles only, 8 units for males and 8 for females. In the SRO rooms, you are not required to leave in the daytime, but in other units you are. PATH also operates a **Rapid Rehousing** program thru CAHP. They have a **Mental Health program** under SBS3 that provides up to one year of housing support, and also **SSVF housing for sex-offenders**. In the past year, 920 moved from PATH's Connections Housing to permanent housing, plus they found jobs for more than 300. Positions are currently available, as **PATH San Diego is now hiring**. Their website is [www.epath.org](http://www.epath.org). • End of presentation. • The upcoming StreetLinks (educational program for Case Workers) was also discussed, and the group is shopping for a moderator and location. •

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The **Basic Dignity Coalition (BDC)** met the First Thursday of the month of August, **Aug. 4**, per usual, at the Monicker Warehouse, 705 16th St., in the East Village of downtown San Diego. This group is supported by Think Dignity, which was formerly called the Girls Think Tank. The group numbered 16, which is average for summer, and included 3 community leaders, 1 attorney, 8 homeless, 1 minister, and 3 area residents of the East Village. • **Kitchens for Good** career coach Katrina Meredith made a presentation on its services, teaching **culinary arts and chef skills** to those with "significant barriers" to employment. Located at the Jacobs Center (Euclid Trolley), they offer a 13-week course to those recently released from prison, those with substance abuse or mental illness problems, and similar. Persons must be legal to work in the US, and they accept 14 or 15 applicants out of 70 applications submitted. The two first classes completed (this is a new program) resulted in 90% and 100% employment, respectively. This group does the catering for events held at the Jacobs Center. Must be at least age 18. **Currently there are more requests for course graduates than they are able to supply to area restaurants**. This is high-class food preparation, not fast-food. Phone 619-450-4040, or email [info@kitchensforgood.org](mailto:info@kitchensforgood.org). • **Dave Ross, the Water Man**, is seeking donations to pay for drinking water for the poor and homeless. His Facebook Page is DavidWaterManRoss. • The lawyers of Think Dignity are collecting information for preparing a lawsuit against the City regarding Discriminatory Practices in the enforcement of **Encroachment laws** and giving out tickets for sweeps. My understanding was that Occupy challenged the Encroachment Ordinance as Too Vague, and won in court. The law was designed to prevent businesses from placing their dumpsters on the sidewalks. I have an editorial comment on this mess, too, later in this section. • The **East Village Residents Group (EVRG)** had more than one person who attends their meetings present, and there was a comment that they seek almost the opposite of this group, Think Dignity's Basic Dignity Coalition. The particulars: They claim that nobody is paying attention to the problem of homelessness, for example. This is the group that claims, very incorrectly, that feeding the homeless "attracts" them. Several studies conducted by San Diego State University found the exact opposite. We now discussed how the EVRG wound up with its present homeless problems: At one time, the Old Downtown Library at 9th and E was proposed to be a homeless shelter. The EVRG opposed same, writing letters to the Mayor and City Council. So, it never happened. From there, the group has since cited problems regarding trash, possessions stored on the sidewalk, pee and poop, bodily stink, and worse. **Quite simply, when the City got rid of more than 20 toilets, that resulted in sidewalk pee and poop. And, when the City got rid of over 30 trash receptacles, that resulted in people not having any place to put trash except the sidewalks. The City also insufficiently funded homeless storage of possessions, resulting in storage on the sidewalks. And, it closed the tent shelters, doubling the number of homeless on the sidewalks. From there, it got rid of most laundry and shower services, adding to the bodily stink on the busses and trolleys (and in grocery stores, restaurants, etc.).** The City also failed to provide transportation for the poor, causing them all to need to live downtown, where all services are

walking distance. The continuous "Sweeps" and threatening food providers added to the aggressiveness of the homeless, causing security guards to become necessary in Hillcrest for the first time, and resulting in many of the homeless now carrying weapons. The whole thing started when the City closed the downtown "flea-bag" hotels, the only living arrangements that many poor people could afford. These hotels were a solution to the homeless problem that was entirely paid for by the homeless themselves. See my editorial on the Money Line, earlier in this edition. The East Village Residents Group feels that the food providers should be responsible for cleaning up trash that their feedings leave behind, and that may be a reasonable request. This would have been easier if the City did not spend lots of money removing all the big concrete trashcans. It was suggested that there be some organization regarding who feeds when and where, some sort of Community Care Agreement, but most groups are afraid of harassment by the City and/or losing funding if they even identify themselves, which is a very true threat. Groups preparing food need at least one person with a Food Handlers Permit. It was suggested that there be a person as a liaison to break the ice between residents, the homeless, and food providers, and that such an advocate was in the works. I made the snide comment that this has been in the works for over 50 years now. I was promised that all of our veterans would be housed by the end of 1972. •

There will be a **workshop on Prop 47** which reduces many felonies to misdemeanors, and can get old felonies (for stealing a loaf of bread, for example) thrown out and erased from your criminal record. Attend the **ACLU event** at Second Chances (Encanto Trolley Stop) 6145 Imperial Ave., Saturday, Aug. 20, 10 AM to 2 PM. For more information or to register for services (FREE), phone 619-232-2121 or visit [www.aclusandiego.org/prop47](http://www.aclusandiego.org/prop47). • **Operation Stand Down** was discussed briefly, and we consider that a "**Cookie**". Once there was a man who had cancer. His HMO refused to treat it because that was too expensive. So, he asked for government help and they gave him a bandage to put over it so no one would notice. Then he asked for help from the nonprofits, and they gave him a cookie to make him feel better. This is how society treats the cancer that we call homelessness. Veterans need higher disability pay, not parades, speeches, news articles, and medals. How would you feel if you gave an arm or a leg or your sanity to defend your country, and all you got for that is a dirty piece of sidewalk to live on the rest of your life? Don't get me wrong, as Stand Down is a wonderful event, but it distracts attention from how bad our homeless veterans are treated. • Next meeting of the Basic Dignity Coalition is on Sept. 1, 2016, at 6 PM, 705 Sixteenth St., open to the public, and free pizza provided. • ◆◆◆◆◆

**My Inside Take:** Per usual, I was criticized for interrupting someone, and they were someone who interrupted me, then complained that I interrupted them. Gee, it's only okay for some people? The reason I run into some of this is that sometimes I am the only one in a meeting that understands certain concepts. These are not concepts that can be explained in a Sound Bite, either. For example, at the MAPSS meetings, there is often a question that everybody is asking that any homeless person could answer. As the only homeless person at the meeting, that becomes my duty. Some other things, I must provide an answer as the only severe victim of society's processes or the only severe victim of the Bar. We know things based upon our personal experiences, and I know that much of which is presented as truth is actually wrong. So, I become a teacher at meetings, and suffer considerable misunderstanding and even dislike as a result. We want to believe certain things, plus we like to be told what we want to be told. ◆◆◆◆◆

**Meeting of the Continuum of Care Council Governing Board, August 18, 2016.**

**More Money, More Expertise Focus on San Diego's Homeless Problem. Two major groups plan merger.**

The **Governing Board of the Regional Continuum of Care Council (RCCC, or CoC for short)** met in Old Town - Point Loma on Thursday, Aug. 18, with more than 60 persons present. CoC is one of only a few organizations that handles funding for federal and state projects to get more affordable housing built, find jobs for homeless veterans, operate shelters such as Alpha Project and Father Joe's, and get money allocated for healthcare, mental health help, and substance abuse counseling, usually regarding either alcoholism or drug addiction. **San Diego Homeless News 8-31-2016, Page 3**

They have long-term plans to greatly reduce the number of San Diegans living on the streets and sidewalks, by getting those who are handicapped into permanent housing, and also finding jobs for those who can work, temporarily paying their rent with federal funds. These programs end up saving taxpayers a lot of money, by eliminating or reducing police arrests, drug sales, prostitution, ambulance trips, and many other public costs of dealing with our homeless problem.

It was Todd Gloria's last meeting as Chairman of the group, and the Board voted unanimously to merge with another one of the HUD funding giants, the Regional Task Force on the Homeless, RTFH. That group goes back many years. The RCCC (CoC) Board also appointed Deacon Jim Vargas, CEO of Father Joe's Villages, to be their Treasurer.

Utah's Salt Lake **County** "Mayor" (we would call that Chairman of the County Board) Ben McAdams spoke via satellite link about their successful homeless programs there, which have gotten their chronic homeless numbers down to near zero, the most effective in the nation. Their programs, he explained, combine a number of concepts, concentrating on causes of homelessness, instead of just a bed and some food. They find housing for people before they become mentally ill, alcoholics, or drug addicts, because of living on the sidewalk. Utah uses "Social Impact Bonds" that only pay service providers for certain agreed-upon successes on specific tests and criteria.

Brian Elliott, from the office of Congressman Scott Peters, spoke about a new HUD funding formula that could greatly increase federal money available to San Diego City and County (by about \$19 million a year). It is called Formula E. Todd Gloria said that about 350 homeless veterans have vouchers for housing rent and security deposits, but are having a problem finding landlords that have housing available. Former San Diego Police Sgt. Rick Schnell said that volunteer agencies are being sought to help temporarily shelter homeless during rain or cold this coming winter.

San Diego County has a new plan using State and Federal money to house and treat severely mentally ill homeless persons, called "Project One For All". They expect about \$1 billion over the next ten years, and the program is also open to drug addicts, or those with severe physical handicaps.

**Questions: Morgan Hurley, Editor at San Diego Community News Network**, asks: What was the result of the meeting? The merger? Did they think SLC's plans were worthy enough to adopt? Will they be reviewing other options? It ends so abruptly that it feels like it ends in the middle of the meeting.

**My reply:** I thought it a bit too technical, but the merger is being worked out by attorneys, and is Procopio File # 123143-01. The Board approved the merger, but the details are being worked out as to trademarked symbols, employees, who would serve on the Combined Board, and other matters like that. Other options have been reviewed the past several years, and I thought listing all the possibilities to be too boring for the average reader, as well as too complex. And, yes, the meeting DID end "in the middle", running out of time yet not covering all that was to be covered. Thanks for asking. Oh, regarding your other question as to SLC's plans, this is Salt Lake **County**, not Salt Lake City, and the Board is just getting educated at this point. It is clear that there are ties, but no plans were announced. ♦♦♦♦♦

**The Metropolitan Association of Providers of Social Services, MAPSS**, also met on the Fourth Wednesday, August 24, at Second Chance, 6145 Imperial Ave. (near the Encanto trolley stop) with 27 present, an excellent turnout. See also a different meeting of this group, above, held Wed., July 27. It is not clear whether the new location for meetings will be permanent or not. • **Announcements:** Salvation Army's **Betty's House** has room for a **human trafficking survivor**, immediate, women and children only, maximum 3 children. • **Real Life Skills** has a class at Connections Housing 4:30 PM Sept. 6, contact [www.RealLifeSkills.Org](http://www.RealLifeSkills.Org). • **Mental Health Systems** is looking for persons with mental illness diagnoses in order to place them into jobs. • **Amikas** is suing the City for eliminating 98% of all areas designated for Emergency Shelters, which has eliminated the possibilities of its Tiny Shelters program. **They are looking for a lot for 10 tiny shelters for the homeless.** Contact Jeeni Criscenzo if you want to donate use of a vacant lot. • **Operation Hope, in Vista**, for families, is now open all year. • **Dreams For Change**, the org that lets people park overnight and live in their car, has lost its Chula

Vista parking location as of Aug. 31, and is looking for **a lot in that area for 44 vehicles.** •

The **Featured Agency** for today was the San Diego Rescue Mission, presented by Kara Kimball. They have a **Men's Center**, which has an orientation and 3 phases. It is a one-year program which usually involves becoming free from substance abuse, or learning anger management and personal growth. Intake is at 11:30 AM on Mondays. It is Faith-Based, and participation is required. They also have a center for **Women and Children, as an Emergency Overnight center**, which houses 60 to 70 women, and their children under age 16, 7 PM to 7 AM only, with intake at 5:30 PM. Once accepted, you are guaranteed a bed for 30 days. 3 times per year maximum stay. Breakfast, dinner, showers, and some special needs cared for. Busy and noisy. As an overnight program, ministry participation is required. In addition, they operate a **Recuperative Care Unit**, 30 beds for those discharged from a hospital but not yet healed, and they have nowhere to go. Females and males, but no children. Their fourth program is **Transitional Housing**, for single men or single women who have an income such as SSI or employment. Meals are included, and a 2 year maximum stay. They also provide case management to all those who have completed their programs, as well as outpatient therapy. These services are for former clients only. All programs accept undocumented immigrants, and they do operate a daycare center. For more information, visit [sdrescue.org/our-programs/](http://sdrescue.org/our-programs/) • The next topic was the October 26 (tentatively) StreetLinks presentation, usually 9 AM to Noon, which will be on Success Stories. Clients, case managers, organizations which have had specific successes are invited to speak. This is in-service training for caseworkers. The location is To Be Determined. • Next meeting Sept. 28, and **Second Chance** will be featured. ♦♦♦♦♦

## Other News:

**MTS** is trying to close the bus stop or stops at the 99 Cents Only Store at East Main and Pepper Drive in El Cajon, even though it is the most important set of stops on the whole route. It already removed both the trash receptacle and the bench from one stop there, plus the Sunday 864 Route does not go there anymore, nor does the new 864X, either. All these are bad ideas, as they force handicapped people to haul groceries farther.

### Military Help, for Enlisted or Veterans, contact [Homefront San Diego](http://nz9f.com/yahoo_site_admin/assets/docs/HF_San_Diego.224133304.pdf).

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**Rating Nonprofits on How Humane: Some time ago, I tried to rate nonprofits on how "in-touch" they are with reality. Over the past ten years there has been a noticeable shift from the most humane organizations receiving money to the least humane ones instead. Now, I give an opinion of how humane some of them are, as follows:** In order, from Most Humane, then listing the Least Humane. This is an opinion.

1. The American Civil Liberties Union, ACLU
2. The Isiah Project (Water Man David Ross)
3. The Alpha Project
4. The Coalition For Basic Dignity - Think Dignity, formerly called the Girls Think Tank
5. Lutheran Social Services of Southern California
6. The Third Avenue Charitable Organization (TACO)
7. So Others May Eat
8. The United Way
9. The Red Cross

These are the Least Humane, although some cannot be validly rated, due to things like being too new, under new management, that sort of thing (\*).

1. PATH Los Angeles \*
2. Father Joe's Villages \*
3. El Cajon Transitional Living Center
4. Salvation Army
5. Catholic Charities San Diego

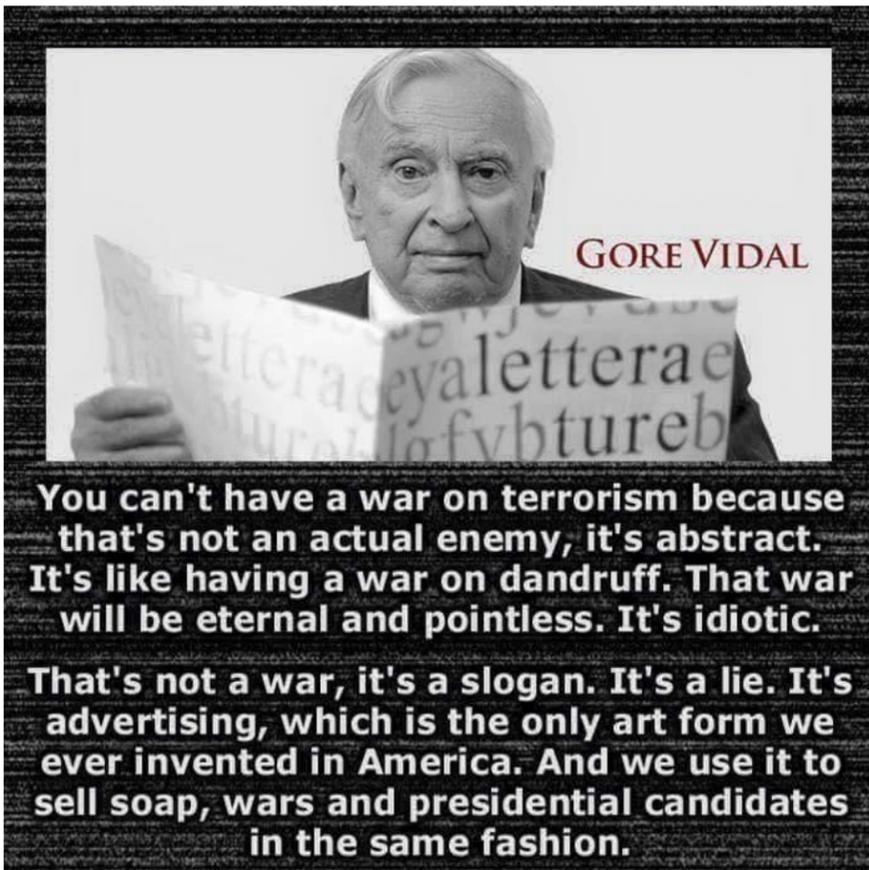
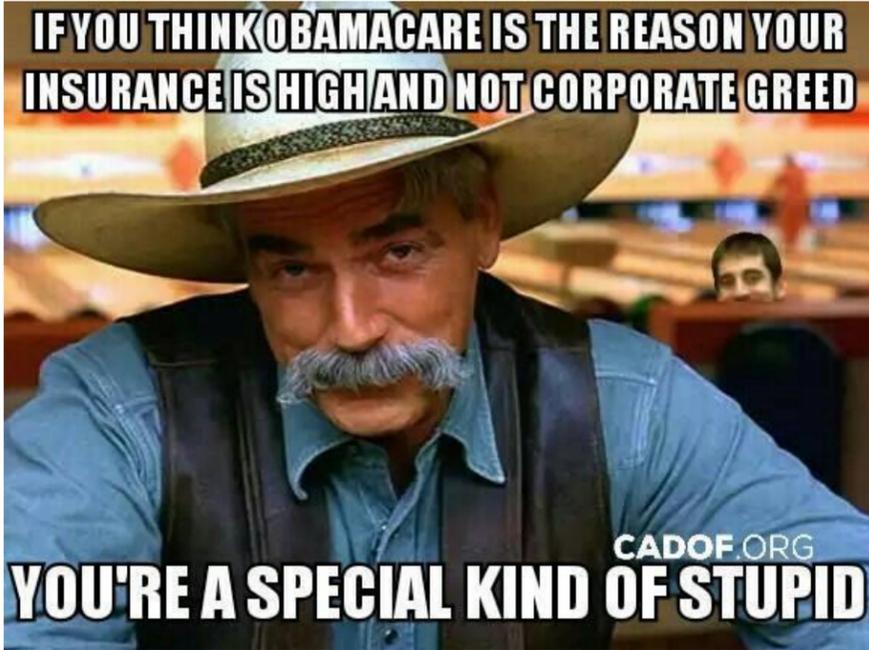
It needs to be noted that the Salvation Army and Father Joe's do need a very high overhead, to pay for trucks, freezers, parking lots, and all sort of other things that are sometimes needed. **San Diego Homeless News 8-31-2016, Page 4**

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## Homelessness 2016 a course in how homelessness actually works in San Diego By Dr. John Kitchin, Ph.D. Public Domain

The second installment, "Non-solutions" is not yet ready for publication. Expect it in the next edition.



## News Media News

If you're looking for CityBeat's Joshua Emerson Smith, he's at the Union-Tribune, and wrote the front page article Sunday, Aug. 28, on Public Transit. The UT's Gary Warth had a nice article on official numbers and percentages of homeless in San Diego, citing 16% with a substance abuse problem, 17% with a mental health problem, and only 24% of the San Diego homeless come from somewhere else. True, but the public does not know that, and needs to, so thank you. One reader wrote into the Union-Tribune suggesting that San Diego needs to stop making homeless "so comfortable" and stop wasting money attracting homeless here for our wonderful weather. This letter is an example of "Dumb and Dumber", because San Diego has less help, and fewer and worse amenities than nearly any other city. And, estimates of how many of our homeless are from elsewhere vary from 15% to 24%. Hardly a mecca, but we are still America's Homeless City, because despite only being #4 in total numbers of homeless, look at how large those other cities are compared to San Diego. Common myths not borne out by facts.

Most homeless are mentally ill? About 17%, as compared with 25% in society as a whole. The mental illnesses that the homeless get, from living on the sidewalk, tend to be the most noticeable ones, however, such as Bipolar Disease. The news media have usually played into the idea that the homeless are to be blamed for being homeless, which makes a tragic situation more bearable than the truth.

Media have an interest in helping with the homeless problem, because many advertisers sell real estate, and homelessness greatly impacts real estate values. Kudos to CityBeat and the San Francisco Chronicle for attempting to enlist the aid of the news media in solving the homeless problem. As for the latest round of layoffs at the Union-Tribune, my take is that quality will save all the print media, and they are all becoming higher quality than they had been. Most folks stopped reading the Union-Tribune when, under Doug Manchester, there were headlines like "Big Sale at Joe's Plumbing!" In the future, a satellite dish on your roof will download the local newspaper at 3 AM, printing out those sections you want to read, on 14 x 14 inch plastic sheets. You erase them by washing them in your dishwasher. This tech will begin in places like Nome or Antarctica, where it is not practical to go buy a newspaper.

A couple of insights to share: There have been many articles on fires at homeless camps, suggesting that the homeless are careless with fire, even though all of those fires eventually turn out to be arson, committed by non-homeless who are trying to burn the camps. And, as far as homeless having sex with the tent-flaps open, most police require tents used by the homeless (as well as on the beach by beachgoers) to have their tent flaps open at all times. This cuts down on drug and alcohol use, drug sales, and even child prostitution. You can't close the tent flaps without risking arrest.

## Snide Comments:

Did he say "tutor" or "tooter"? • Made in USA by unlawful immigrants paid two dollars an hour. • Banks are closing branches, as well as replacing tellers with the new "superteller" ATM machines. Homelessness being caused in action. • Don't criticize Donald Trump's Free Speech, because without it there would be no way for voters to know how stupid, bigoted, arrogant, and mentally deranged he is. • There is nothing quite so special as the first fart of the morning. • You know you are addicted when you have hot coffee on a hot day. • Dogs are really smart. When they first see something new, they give it a sniff to check it out. Smells good to eat, eat it. Smells good to hump, hump it. Can't eat it and can't hump it? Piss on it. • No more privately-owned prisons? A whole lot of hookers and dope dealers are going to be out of work. • People who live on the sidewalk gotta go commit a crime, so they get an indoor place to stay, a bed, a toilet, shower, blankets, medicines, clothing, laundry, and even meals, all in prison. • Golf Course Whack-A-Mole: Homeless live in the rough, of course, and get roused out by rich dudes who pound us into the ground and pee on us. That is why they refer to us as pee-ons (peons). It's all part of the Tinkle-Down Theory of Economics. If society had brains, it would see that most average people have a bad case of Mental Constipation, where their heads are so full of shit that they may never squeeze it all out. Us guys with Mental Diarrhea instead have a much better chance in life. •



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We represent the world's fastest-growing ethnic group, the homeless, the only group that gets NO protection from discrimination in employment, housing, education, nor hate-crimes. We are those who suffer because the wealthy own everything. No one WANTS to be homeless nor CHOOSES to be homeless. It happens when everything you do to prevent it fails to work. Making anything illegal that cannot be prevented makes no sense. Instead, make it illegal for circumstances to force people to become homeless against their will. Once homeless, people will need to use booze or dope, just to stay sane, and many lose that fight, too, becoming mentally ill and often killing themselves. This ends the problems that society forced upon them. Self-Servatives (Con-Servatives, Con Artists that Serve themselves) cause funerals, but they don't mind, because they don't believe in God.

These are the same people who invented God, so they could control you and make money off you. They fill your head with propaganda from the day you are born. The Bar (Democrats and Republicans of the British and Italian Mafias and the Jewish Cabals) licenses attorneys and runs the court system, religious system, and news media. Welcome to Reality! They make money by expanding the population, with major holdings in both real estate and food production. They hate population reduction, and have forced women to have babies, even though herbs for both birth control and pregnancy termination have been available for thousands of years. That is also why they hate same-sex marriage, as it does not automatically produce biological children, and why they hate suicide and birth control, both of which reduce population. They also hate war, unless they can make money on it. "They" is the Middle Templar Bar of London.

**Being homeless on the sidewalk is a lot like being at the zoo, except you're the exhibit.**

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