

## Old Seward/Oceanview Community Council

### Housing and Homelessness Survey

Anchorage assembly members on the Housing and Homelessness Committee (H&HC) requested that the Old Seward/Oceanview Community Council (OSOVCC) join 10 other community councils from Hillside to Girdwood to decide where the best place in District 6 would be for a homeless shelter. This group is the South Anchorage District and together we are deciding where to put a “Low or High barrier shelter” in our District according to the “Clean Slate Strategy.”

<https://www.muni.org/Departments/Assembly/Pages/Clean-Slate-Approach.aspx>

The OSOVCC is asking for your input on the homeless situation, which will impact our community.

**Please email your response to this survey by 6 pm, Friday, July 21, 2023, via email to: [osovcommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:osovcommunitycouncil@gmail.com)**

The H&HC also held a series of Townhall meetings, June 3, 4, & 5 to obtain public input.

Please consider attending their upcoming meetings:

- H&HC, July 19, 2023, 1-3 pm, at City Hall, 632 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Room 155
- Townhall on August 3, 2023, 5:30 to 8:30pm, Wilda Marston Theatre at the Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street.

Additional information can be found at: [Clean Slate Strategy: Shelter Basics and Strategy](#)

**Low Barrier Shelter:** A location that has minimal requirements and expectations for entry.

**High Barrier Shelter:** A location that places requirements on guests, such as sobriety, curfews, church attendance, program participation, identification.

#### **Questions:**

1. Do you know of any people that became homeless in the last five years that were residents of the Old Seward/Oceanview Community during that time? If so, how many?
2. Without mentioning names, what became of them? How long were they homeless?
3. If you answered yes to number 1, do you know what happened to them?

4. Do you live in or own property in the OSOVCC area? Yes \_\_\_ or no \_\_\_

Rent \_\_\_ Own property \_\_\_ Own a business \_\_\_

If you answered "NO," which Community Council do you live in? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Do you support having housing of some kind (managed camp, shelter, building, etc.) in the OSOVCC area for people experiencing homelessness? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

5. If you answered "Yes" to #3, what types of housing could be appropriate in OSOV area? Currently we have no public transportation or other services like Municipal social service offices or health clinics in our CC area.

a. Halfway/transitional shelters for fewer than ten clients \_\_\_\_\_

b. Housing for adults with children who are escaping domestic violence \_\_\_\_\_

c. Maximum number of adults per shelter \_\_\_\_\_

d. High-barrier shelter for homeless \_\_\_\_\_

e. Low-barrier shelter \_\_\_\_\_

f. What suggestions do you have for ensuring the safety and well-being of the residents:

1. In the area of the of the homeless shelter \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. For the surrounding community \_\_\_\_\_

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6. If you answered "No" to number 3, what physical measures, like fencing and/or in terms of management like 24-hour on-site staff, would need to be in place to address your concerns about housing for people experiencing homelessness in OSOV area?

7. Do you have any suggestions for locations in the OSOVCC area that the Municipality could use to provide shelter for people experiencing homelessness?

8. Any other comments, concerns, or questions?

**PLEASE SHARE THIS SURVEY WITH OTHER OLD SEWARD/OCEANVIEW COMMUNITY COUNCIL RESIDENTS OR BUSINESSES THAT YOU MAY KNOW AND ASK THEM TO EMAIL THEIR RESPONSES BACK BY 6 PM ON FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2023.**