**SNACC meeting / Oct. 21, 2021 at 6:30 on Zoom**

**Present:** Jessie Maran, Ash Hester, Vincent Dawans, Hannah Wallace, Emily McCadden, Andria Robbins, Chris Waldman.

• Emily opens the meeting and proposes that we do a needs assessment for the showers. This could make many forms: a survey to shower clients. A focus group. She’s open to any/all methods, but thinks we’ve been doing this for nearly a year and it’d be neat to gather info about what we’re doing well and what needs improvement/ what else we could provide that we haven’t thought of?

• Hannah + Jes chime in saying they like the idea; Chris wonders if we should start with volunteers?

-Emily clarifies that she’s proposing a “needs assessment” NOT to survey volunteers or to gather quantitative data (which we already have via Marisa’s spreadsheet), but to assess what the houseless neighbors who use the showers think of the shower program.

• Vincent suggests that we continue keeping track how how many people come to the showers (which Marisa has actually offered to do) so that we can apply for grants, etc.

• Emily is going to bring an outline of the process to our next SNACC meeting. Chris says he’d love to help.

• **Showers:** Quick update from HW. This is the first week of the vaccine mandate. Found out today (Thursday the 21st) that if you walk over to Walgreens with your houseless friends who have been vaccinated yet who have lost their vaccine cards, the pharmacist can give you a print-out of the date that person was vaccinated and which vaccine it was. This proof is good enough for the shower program! Both of the guys I walked over there got to shower on Thursday as a result.

• **Winter Clothing Drive:** we are going to have one. A small group of shower volunteers are meeting next week (Thurs. the 28th in the evening) to start planning it. Ash will have a lot of tips/takeaway from last year’s drive, which she organized with some help from Emily and others. We’ve already started the process of asking folks what they need, ideal sizes, etc. (Emily is compiling a list of needs/wants.)

• **Trash.** Vincent says it’s an ongoing project. The Hawthorne clean-up (in conjunction with ISEA!) went well. Hawthorne was actually fairly clean already. There is still a camp at 36th but it’s a bit smaller than before. We’re not sure who is living there. (Dave and Nate have moved to Sewell Crest for the time being.)

• **Get on the Sunnyside.**  Hanna N. told Hannah W. that her colleagues at U of O grad school don’t have the bandwidth to work on the website this semester. Hannah offers to work on content, but doesn’t know a darn thing about web design.

-Jes says she knows Square Space and could design a basic website. ;-)

- Andria suggests we perhaps bring some youth in from SES. Maybe they could help with designing additional posters if not website design?

-Vincent reminds us that we need to do things to bring people together—housed and unhoused. Things like the Portland Loo, which would serve all Sunnyside neighbors.

At 7:05 or so we flip over to the South Tabor NA meeting so we can hear Tremaine and Britt Urban from Portland Street Response.   
• They gave a power point presentation. I won’t take full notes here, but one major bit of news is that on **November 1st, PSR is expanding to cover the entire East Precinct, which ends at 39th (Cesar Chavez).**  [Right now they are just in Greater Lents.] Tremaine emphasized that even if we have an incident that is west of 39th, we shouldn’t hesitate to call PSR. They will put us in the queue. They are not going to pass over us just because we’re in the Central Precinct. (Most of Sunnyside, that is.) The best way to get through to PSR is to call 911. Tremaine says that calling the non-emergency line has a very long wait time (sometimes as long as 30 minutes) so better to call 911 and say you want PSR. The goal is for PSR to go city wide in 2023.

Once both teams are in place, Portland Street Response will have two shifts: Team 1 will work from Monday-Thursday 8AM-6PM and Team 2 will be Thurs.-Sunday 5:30PM -3:30AM.

• Babatunde and Mireya Medina speak about Black & Beyond the Binary

Most of us left the meeting at 8:00, when they wanted to talk about South Tabor business.