

Southern California Planning Congress

We Are All Neighbors in 2022

First-Person Stories of Living on the Street

Saturday, January 22nd, 2022 ▪ 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon via Zoom



Photos: Brian Biery

Whether the fallout from a capitalist and consumer-based economy, an uncaring political system that favors affluence, lack of public healthcare and affordable housing, stagnant wages that lead to poverty, or all of the above and more, a growing number of people face living on the street. Why is this an American phenomenon and how do we reverse it? When provided with appropriate supportive services and programs, and embraced by their community as equals, citizens who were once unhoused are able to recapture successfully their essence and experience lives of joy and fulfillment. Ultimately, they become active community members and valuable contributors. As we begin a hopefully brighter new year, let us strengthen our commitment as planners to making more inclusive decisions about the future and broadening the collective definition of *neighbor*. Come hear stories of transformation and resilience from those who have survived homelessness.

Guest Moderator:

Brian Biery, Pasadena Neighborhood Network; Adjunct Professor at Pacific Oaks College

Guest Speakers:

Lindsay Dennis, Member of LEAP, CSH Speak Up! Advocate

Dorothy Edwards, Enrichment Services Coordinator, Housing Works

Cynthia Kirby, Administrative Assistant, 1st Baptist Church of Pasadena

Shawn Morrissey, Director of Community Programs, Union Station Homeless Services

Zoom Meeting Information

Date/Time: Saturday, January 22, 2022, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Place: Via Zoom - <https://cpp.zoom.us/j/84439789771> - Passcode 081778

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No registration necessary – Capacity limited to 300 persons, first-come, first-served

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