## Tenderloin Emergency Initiative



# Tenderloin Linkage Center

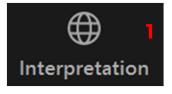
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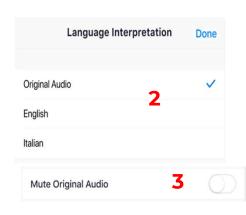
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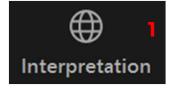
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# Tenderloin Linkage Center (TLC)

### Purpose

- To provide a low-barrier, safe and welcoming space for people experiencing homelessness and/or who use substances where they can access dignity services and social space.
- To be a "one-stop shop" for people who are ready to access city health and human service programs to link to those services easily and quickly.

#### Services

- Basic needs and onsite services
- Connections to dignity, social and behavioral health services

### Operations

- 8am 8pm, 7 days a week
- Plans to expand to 8am 10pm



# **TLC:** Key Indicators

January 18 to March 27, 2022









23,240

Visits to Linkage Center 2,314

Referrals to Services

**45** 

Showers Per Day

**53** 

Overdose Reversals

## TLC Achievements to Date

- Successfully provided continuous services 7 days a week from 8am – 8pm since January 18th
- Expanded to provide 3 hot meals daily
- Expanded access to Medi-Cal, CalFresh, and CAAP benefits, and recently added employment services through the Human Services Agency
- Implemented redesigned outdoor fenced area to bring in shower/laundry off Market Street

## TLC Lessons Learned

- Hierarchy of Needs: Guests are mostly seeking safety and basic needs – we provide this for many in the Tenderloin. By providing this, we build relationships and work with guests to seek more structured treatment options.
- Readiness for Change: Must offer an array of services and supports that are reflective of the wide range of readiness for change among people who use substances.
- Collective Impact/Peer Staffing: Cross-sector partnerships are imperative in addressing the complex issue of substance use in the Tenderloin. Employing people with lived experience is essential and effective.

## TLC interventions for substance use

- Harm Reduction: hygienic supplies, overdose education, naloxone distribution, and response with naloxone
- Treatment: Direct linkage to substance use disorder treatment, including medication-assisted and other outpatient treatment, residential treatment, and sober living
- Coming Soon: Sober Living Room for people seeking space and support

These options will address overdose deaths and public substance use

# Service Linkage

- 154 people in the housing process through TLC housing engagement as of March 4, 2022
  - 56 or 36% have moved into housing
- SFHOT provides outreach and engagement in Linkage Center and across the Tenderloin
  - Approximately 2,000 outreach encounters
- Over 345 shelter placements from the streets and the Linkage Center
  - 283 shelter placements from the street
  - 66 shelter placements from the Linkage Center
- 161 people assisted for benefits applications (CalFresh: 153, Medi-Cal: 118, CAAP: 88)
- 12 people referred and 6 people linked to mental health services
- 42 people referred and 13 people linked to substance use treatment

# **TLC Proposed Next Steps**

### Operations

- Proposed lease extension through at least 12/31/22 (pending BOS approval)
- Finalize long-term strategy for TLC
- Hire permanent operations staff and finalize all CBO contract staffing

## Service Expansion and Improvements

- Expand hours to 8am 10pm
- Implement sober living room model in the coming months
- Expand service offerings and recreational activities
- Strengthen linkages to social and behavioral health services

# Next Steps

- Proposed lease extension will go before the Board of Supervisors for authorization
  - Budget and Finance Committee Not before Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup>
  - Full Board Not before Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup>
  - Ongoing community engagement through TEI Listening Sessions