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**SAN FRANCISCO OPENS MISSION CABINS TO EXPAND  
TEMPORARY SHELTER FOR INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING  
HOMELESSNESS**

*60 new cabins are part of continued expansion of City's shelter services, which have increased by over 60% over the last 5 years*

**San Francisco, CA** -- Today Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Hillary Ronen announced the city has opened its latest temporary shelter program, the Mission Cabins, which will provide 60 cabins for people experiencing homelessness at 1979 Mission Street. The project, modeled after the successful 33 Gough Cabins, will provide private cabins and onsite support services for individuals experiencing homelessness. The program is expected to run for at least two years until the long-term affordable housing development planned for the site breaks ground.

Mission Cabins is part of the city's ongoing efforts to expand access to temporary shelter. Since 2018, San Francisco has expanded shelter capacity by over 60%, with over 3,900 shelter beds now online and more coming online soon. These temporary shelter beds are critical as part of the city's efforts to move people from the street, to shelter, and back to housing stability. Over the last five years, San Francisco has helped over 15,000 people permanently exit homelessness.

Mission Cabins will offer individuals experiencing homelessness a safe, temporary living environment and the services they need to move beyond homelessness. Each cabin provides a private room with a locking door, a comfortable bed, storage space, a desk, a chair, outlets, and heating. The site includes hygiene facilities, a dining area, and community space. The program will also provide meals, case management, health services and activities for guests. Staff will be onsite 24/7 to ensure the safety and well-being of residents.

"The new Mission Cabins will provide a critical new space in our work to bring people off the streets and into a safe, stable environment," said Mayor London Breed. "We want people indoors, where it's safe and where they can get on the path to a more secure, long-term housed environment. That's how we end homelessness for people who need help and it's how we prevent long-term encampments in our neighborhoods."

"The homelessness crisis is the biggest problem facing our city. Now, approximately 65 people who have been homeless and living on the streets in the Mission will have dignified shelter and around-the-clock social services. I am proud to have championed the Mission Cabins with city departments, community advocates, and many neighbors in District 9. I believe these cabins will improve many individual lives as well as street conditions in the Mission," said District 9 Supervisor Hillary Ronen.



“The launch of the Mission Cabins expands an innovative shelter model for people experiencing homelessness in the Mission,” said San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing executive director, Shireen McSpadden. “The Mission Cabins are a step towards creating more inclusive and compassionate shelter in areas of high need, where everyone has the opportunity to thrive with dignity.”

Five Keys Schools and Programs was selected through a competitive process to operate the site and provide onsite social services. Through a partnership with the Department of Public Health, health services will be provided on site several days per week.

“Five Keys is once again proud to partner with HSH by supporting the operations of the Mission Cabins,” said Steve Good, executive director of Five Keys. “Five Keys prides itself on providing a safe and dignified home for the unsheltered. We look forward to working with the community to ensure this site is a success.”

“The Mission Cabins initiative offers people a safe and welcoming alternative to living on the streets,” said Public Works Director Carla Short, whose in-house teams provided design, project management and construction management services. “This is just the type of thoughtful and collaborative project we need to keep San Francisco moving in the right direction to provide shelter for unhoused residents and to improve neighborhood street conditions.”

"Providing healthcare onsite to the Mission Cabins residents is an example of our commitment to offering easily accessible and low-barrier treatment to address health disparities in our communities" said Director of Health Dr. Grant Colfax. "We are pleased to be a part of this partnership and collaboration to ensure people receive the support and care they need."

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