



# **BAKERSFIELD CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEETING OF FEBRUARY 17, 2021**

Council Chambers, City Hall, 1501 Truxtun Avenue  
Regular Meeting 3:30 PM

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## **1. ROLL CALL**

### **SPECIAL NOTICE Public Participation and Accessibility February 17, 2021 Bakersfield City Council Meetings**

On March 18, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20, which includes a waiver of Brown Act provisions requiring physical presence of the Council or the public in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Based on guidance from the California Governor's Office and Department of Public Health, as well as the County Health Officer, in order to minimize the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus, the City of Bakersfield hereby provides notice that as a result of the declared federal, state, and local health emergencies, and in light of the Governor's order, the following adjustments have been made:

1. The meeting scheduled for **February 17, 2021, at 3:30 p.m.** will have limited public access.
2. The meeting scheduled for **February 17, 2021, at 5:15 p.m.** will have limited public access.
3. Consistent with the Executive Order, Councilmembers may elect to attend the meeting telephonically and to participate in the meeting to the same extent as if they were physically present.
4. The public may participate in each meeting and address the City Council as follows:
  - View a live video stream of the meeting at <https://bakersfield.novusagenda.com/AgendaPublic/> or, on your local government channel (KGOV).
  - If you wish to comment on a specific agenda item, submit your comment via email to the City Clerk at [City\\_Clerk@bakersfieldcity.us](mailto:City_Clerk@bakersfieldcity.us) **no later than 1:00 p.m. prior to the Council meeting.** Please clearly indicate which agenda item number your comment pertains to.
  - If you wish to make a general public comment not related to a specific agenda item, submit your comment via email to the City Clerk at [City\\_Clerk@bakersfieldcity.us](mailto:City_Clerk@bakersfieldcity.us) **no later than 1:00 p.m. prior to the Council meeting.**

- Alternatively, you may comment by calling **(661) 326-3100** and leaving a voicemail of no more than 3 minutes no later than **4:00 p.m. the Tuesday prior** to the Council meeting. Your message must clearly indicate whether your comment relates to a particular agenda item, or is a general public comment. If your comment meets the foregoing criteria, it will be transcribed as accurately as possible.
- If you are watching the live stream of the meeting and wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item as it is being heard, please email your written comment to the City Clerk at [City\\_Clerk@bakersfieldcity.us](mailto:City_Clerk@bakersfieldcity.us). All comments received during the meeting **may not be read, but will be included** as part of the permanent public record of the meeting.

## 2. PUBLIC STATEMENTS

## 3. WORKSHOPS

*Public comments will be received after Staff presentation.*

- a. Quarterly Homeless Update Part 1: Presentation by Executive Director of Mercy House on progress at the Brundage Lane Navigation Center

Staff recommends the Council receive and file presentation.

- b. Quarterly Homeless Update Part 2: Presentation by Bakersfield Kern Regional Homeless Collaborative Executive Director

Staff recommends the Council to receive and file presentation.

## 4. CLOSED SESSION

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel — Existing Litigation; Closed Session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1) regarding *Kylie Deckard v. City of Bakersfield, et al.*, Kern County Superior Court Case No. BCV-19-101657

## 5. CLOSED SESSION ACTION

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 2/17/2021

Workshop 3. a.

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Jacqui Kitchen, Assistant City Manager & Acting Economic and Community Development Director

**DATE:** 2/2/2021

**WARD:**

**SUBJECT:** Quarterly Homeless Update Part 1: Presentation by Executive Director of Mercy House on progress at the Brundage Lane Navigation Center

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Council receive and file presentation.

## BACKGROUND:

Mercy House will present a Quarterly update on activities at the Brundage Lane Navigation Center which opened in October of 2020.

## ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
📎 PowerPoint presentation	Presentation

From: \_\_\_\_\_

**MERCYHOUSE**

Larry Haynes  
Chief Executive Officer

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MERCY HOUSE IN BAKERSFIELD

**MERCYHOUSE**



## ABOUT US

MERCY HOUSE IN BAKERSFIELD

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## HOW WE SERVE



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## WHO WE SERVE



FAMILIES



SINGLE  
WOMEN



VETERANS



DISABLED  
INDIVIDUALS



CHRONICALLY  
HOMELESS

MERCY HOUSE IN BAKERSFIELD

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## BRUNDAGE LANE NAVIGATION CENTER

MERCY HOUSE IN BAKERSFIELD

MERCYHOUSE

## DATA

284

TOTAL NUMBER SERVED

112

CURRENTLY IN SHELTER

MERCY HOUSE IN BAKERSFIELD

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## OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

**SIERRA**  
RECYCLING AND DEMOLITION INC.



**VBF**  
VALLEY BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

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## COMMUNITY SUPPORT



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## PARTNERSHIPS



**BAKERSFIELD**  
THE SOUND OF *Something Better*



BEHAVIORAL  
HEALTH & RECOVERY  
SERVICES



**Flood  
Ministries**



**KernMedical**  
Emergency Medicine Research Associate Program



KERN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
**Human  
Services**  
Opportunity. Options. Empowerment.



MERCY HOUSE IN BAKERSFIELD

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## EMERGING ISSUES

#1

Collaboration with our  
fellow service providers

#2

Plan for those who cannot  
perform their ADLs

#3

Housing connections  
through the CoC

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## CLIENT STORY

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QUESTIONS?

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Workshop 3. b.

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Jacqui Kitchen, Assistant City Manager & Acting Economic and Community Development Director

**DATE:** 2/2/2021

**WARD:**

**SUBJECT:** Quarterly Homeless Update Part 2: Presentation by Bakersfield Kern Regional Homeless Collaborative Executive Director

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Council to receive and file presentation.

## BACKGROUND:

Per Council's request, the Bakersfield Kern Regional Homeless Collaborative Executive Director and collaborative organizations will present a quarterly update on progress toward addressing homelessness in the City of Bakersfield.

## ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
PowerPoint presentation	Presentation

REC'D & PLACED ON FILE  
AT BAKERSFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
2/17/21 3:30pm - Workshop 3.b.

From: \_\_\_\_\_



# System Performance and **Quarterly Update**

Anna Laven, Ed.D.  
Heather Kimmel  
Deborah Johnson  
February 17, 2021

## Agenda

- System Performance Measures
- 2-1-1 Coordinated Entry System (CES) Intake
- COVID-19 Rent and Mortgage Assistance Program
- Addressing Unsheltered Homelessness

# System Performance Measures

## Our Vision

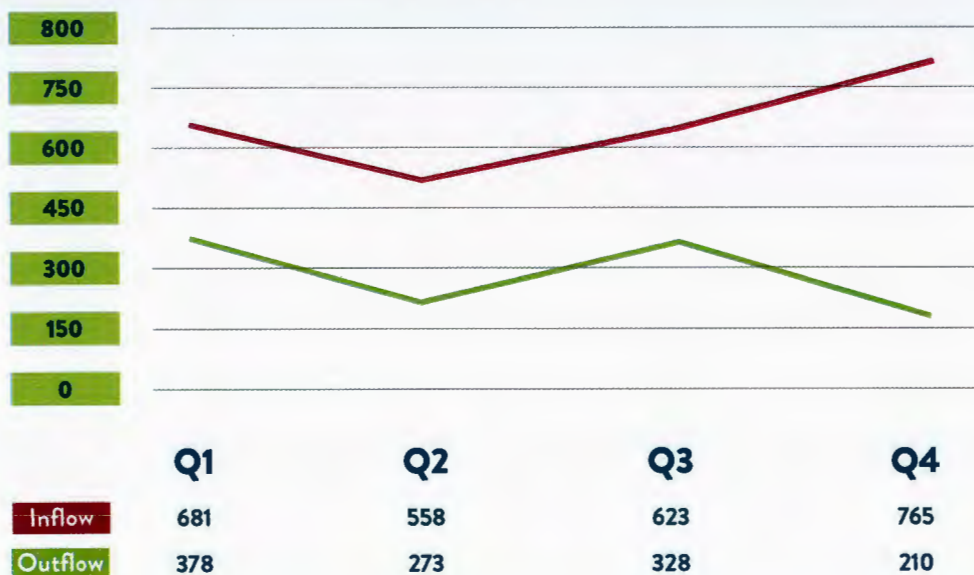
Homelessness is a rare, brief and nonrecurring experience.

## System Performance Measures (SPMs)

System Performance Measures help evaluate progress towards our vision.

Goal	Metric	Definition
Rare	Inflow	# of individuals experiencing homelessness for the first time.
	Outflow	# of individuals experiencing homelessness who achieve permanent housing
Brief	Length of Time (LOT) Homeless	Average # of nights an individual stays in an Emergency Shelter or Temporary Housing before achieving permanent housing. Does not account for nights living unsheltered.
Nonrecurring	Recidivism Rate	% of persons that return to experiencing homelessness within 2 years of achieving permanent housing

## Inflow and Outflow



Inflow: # of individuals experiencing homelessness for the first time

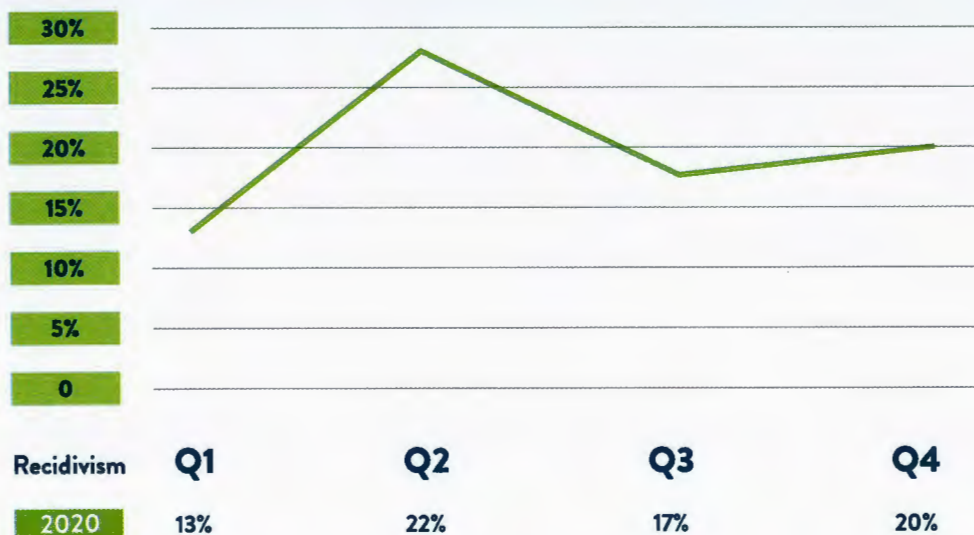
Outflow: # of individuals experiencing homelessness who achieve permanent housing

## Length of Time (LOT) Homeless



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## Homelessness Recidivism



% of persons that return to experiencing homelessness within 2 years of achieving permanent housing

## 2-1-1: Coordinated Entry System (CES)

### What is the Coordinated Entry System (CES)?

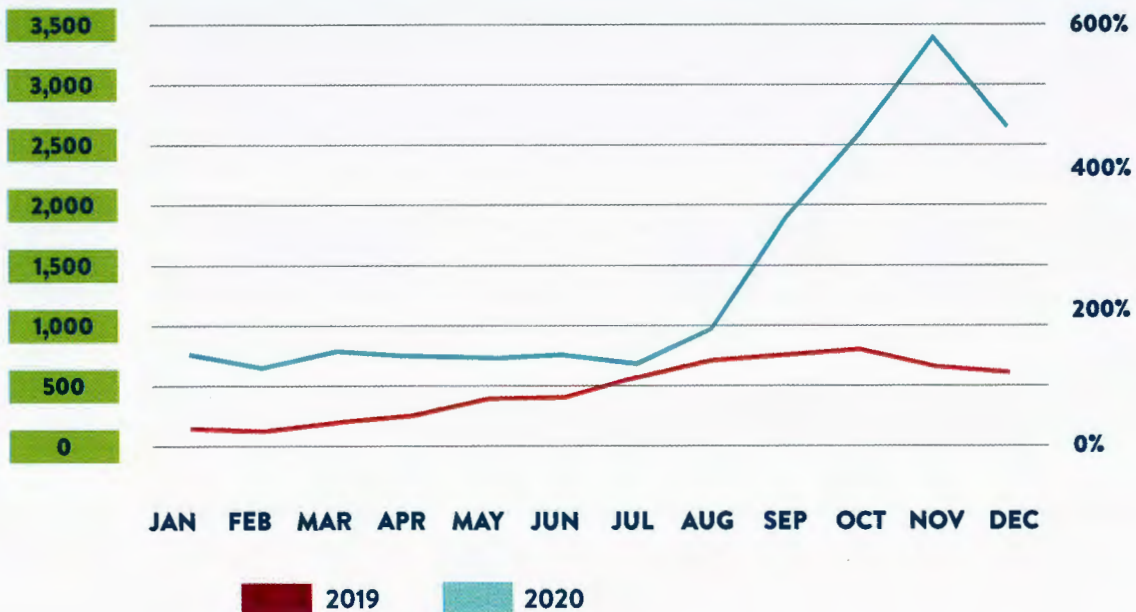
A single point-of-contact for the Continuum of Care. CES assesses and refers individuals to resources to help them maintain or achieve permanent housing.

### Who manages CES?

Community Action Partnership of Kern (CAPK)

CES is a referral source for the  
Brundage Lane Navigation Center

## 2-1-1 Intake Calls, 2019 vs 2020



# COVID-19 Rent and Mortgage Assistance Programs

Provided grants paid directly to landlords or lenders for individuals and families impacted by COVID-19

- Maximum payment of **\$10,000**
- Household income up to **120% of Area Median Income (AMI)**

## Amount Expended (including Administration) Distributed

Grantor	Amount	Time Period
City of Bakersfield	\$3.29 million	9/21/20 - 12/31/20
County of Kern	\$3 million	9/21/20 - 2/5/21

## Local COVID-19 RMA programs served 1,529 households



**790**  
City of Bakersfield

**739**  
County of Kern

1  = APROX. 15 HOUSEHOLDS

## Unsheltered Population

- Among the most difficult to place in permanent housing
- Anecdotally, higher instances of severe behavioral health conditions
- Anecdotally, higher instances of substance use disorder
- Other conditions that require ongoing support
- Source of many resident and stakeholder nuisance complaints

**790**

Unsheltered people that  
qualify for Permanent  
Supportive Housing

## Next Step

### **1** Quantify Supply and Demand for Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) among Unsheltered Population.

- Analyze HMIS data on unsheltered clients.
- Conduct an inventory of PSH units in Bakersfield/Kern County region

### **2** Pursue innovative solutions to expand PSH

- Expand case management and street outreach
- Establish a 5-year target for PSH development in the City of Bakersfield

### **3** Prioritize development of PSH units in future grants, housing plans and Transformative Climate Communities Program plans



# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 2/17/2021

Closed Session 4. a.

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Virginia Gennaro, City Attorney

**DATE:** 2/9/2021

**WARD:**

**SUBJECT:** Conference with Legal Counsel — Existing Litigation; Closed Session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1) regarding *Kylie Deckard v. City of Bakersfield, et al.*, Kern County Superior Court Case No. BCV-19-101657

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

**BACKGROUND:**