# Pleasant Grove Neighborhood Association Board Meeting Minutes April 16, 2019 6:30pm

**In Attendance:** Robert Sanchez, Sharon Mahany, Laxmi Rao, David Loya, Ron Chunovich, Shelley Knox, Bruce Houdesheldt, Keith Little, Cindy Daly, Scott Hide, Beth Sanchez, and Marcia Goode; Zack, Miguel and Jalesky (Fire) and M Brazeal (PD). **Welcome** 

**Fire Department** began a presentation with three department members. Zack, Miguel and Jalesky. They got called away soon after they began.

**M Brazeal, PD**: Calls for Service: Thefts are the majority. 39% shoplifting, 25% is theft from auto or burglary. Do not leave backpacks or items left in your car. 6% grand theft or burglary. Lock your side door and your sliding glass door. Minor crime prevention techniques are worthwhile. Don't leave your garage door partially open. Lock the garage door leading to your home. A theft crew might be related to heroine addiction. They say they are looking for a lost dog or a solicitor. Roseville is a very responsive and reporting public. Call 774-5000 the non-emergency number if it doesn't merit 9-1-1. It is against the law to prowl. (647-G). Cameras do deter thefts. 6% calls are assault. Most are family members. Very few are from strangers from outside of the area.

Quality of Life calls: parking too long on your street, loitering, disturbance, drunk in public, juvenile truant. Most of the calls for Beat 5 are wellness checks.
23% are emergency 9-1-1 calls.
Pedestrian violation. Call if you suspect they are drunk or incapacitated.
18% disturbance
18% suspicious persons
18% people on porches stealing
Top 5 locations: traffic related

Question about if handymen are fingerprinted: Handymen should be licensed and bonded. They don't have a service to fingerprint them. A company may have a subscription.

Using Uber and Lyft safety: you should get a photo of the car and driver, so you know you have the right ride. Caseload went up in March, down in April. Seasonal predictions. Ride-alongs: online application if you live, work or in a student in Roseville.

## Speaker: David Loya, Lazarus Project, began in 1999. Transitional Home Project.

Newly homeless people are being cared for, but the chronically homeless are out of luck. It is not that all homeless people are want-to-be addicts. Statistics show that 321 are in some type of shelter: Gathering Inn, Domestic Violence shelter, etc. Shelters do not solve the problem. Two hundred thirty-six people are not in shelters. This is a home-grown problem. "If you offer more services, they will come" is a myth. Needle exchange program worked in SF and attracted more addicts. The bulk of our homeless are five-plus year residents in our county. Homelessness hurts our parkways, services, money, and hospitals. This condition costs money.

Orange County is much like our county, but with more money. Orange County did an indepth study on the homeless population, costing \$45,000. They discovered that it cost \$100,000 per year per vagrant. "The worst thing you can do is give a homeless person food and money, because we must clean it up." Give an organization the money. They can work on health, mental, social behavior issues. The amount of money spent on this person becomes \$30,000 and makes social change. Utah gives people a home. Louisiana gives homes. President Obama gave the homeless money. It is called the Emergency Shelter Grant. Veteran Homelessness went way down due to this. Our Veterans are 9% of our homeless. Housing = stable housing, stable income, stable life.

Do not focus on those who do not want help – let's focus on the rest of them. The movie, The Soloist, with the Bass player and Robert Downey Jr. was a true story about a homeless man. It took years to get that man into housing due to schizophrenia. The chronically homeless that want to get off the streets have an 85% success rate. People's attitudes and not enough housing are the problems.

Dr. Harris and Dr. Fisk, of Duke University tracked the brain of observers with an EEG. They demonstrated that someone watching a senior citizen crossing the street showed high warmth and low competence. They watched a handsome elderly man with beautiful young woman. This triggered envy, low warmth, and high competence. When the scientists tracked people watching homeless people, test subjects saw these people as non-entities. In one test scenario, a light rail train is on a path of destruction. If you push someone out of the way, you will save the train and five people. People won't do it. Sixty-nine percent said they would push a homeless person to save others. Nazis committed genocide against the Jewish. Both situations describe dehumanization. We have stopped seeing the homeless as people.

Church groups and Keith Dietrich of Gathering Inn and David Loyla are working together as one unit in their efforts. Brook Stevens is President of Placer Rescue Mission. All resources are now in one area of town, centrally located.

**Campus Hope is the proposed name for the porject** –, a recuperative center whose mission is to offer life skills, tutoring center, salon, job training, support services and 120 units for families and individuals. Services to meet their needs. Campus Hope would offer a 30-bed facility as well. People here would experience healing, good nutrition, use land for gardening

and food. Residents are to work 40 hours/week. They can work at the site if they don't have an outside job.

Some residents will have low mental and physical stability, and they will die there. Others will move on to affordable housing in the area. This success guides them into the community. The intent is to track them for 5 years.

The County, Food Bank, Business Representatives, Homeless Shelters were all involved in creating this model with an architect. There was talk of "Move it out of Roseville into the industrial area." 120 Micro units of housing. Movable partition. Thirty beds of addiction recovery and 6 beds of detox. Wellness Center. Assistance finding jobs. Work in churches. Other models within the country are working well. Most want to move these people to Arizona, out of the area. But we can't do this.

The project needs 13 million dollars. Currently, people find resources through networking. After fifteen days you are a resident of the county. You show documentation that you've lived here for a significant period.

Panhandlers: Do not give them money. Many are not homeless. Call PD or Bridget Dean. No community has been able to rid of homelessness with strict laws. Some communities gave shopping carts.

Adopt and adapt existing practices. We do not want to look like Sacramento. Need private funding in order to get government funding. Government funding has strings attached and regulations.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Sharon Crowley has offered \$100 Amazon gift card for those who want to clean the post office boxes. She sponsors a Neighborhood Yard Sale April 27. Sharon Crowley has spearheaded a landscaping project to provide volunteers and product/funds, coordinating with the City for landscape improvements which have become run-down on street corners surrounding our neighborhood.

RCONA scholarships are each \$150. May 16 is the date to present those scholarships. Robert suggested we vote on offering \$100 of PGNA funds to the landscaping project. We agreed. Overall consensus was to wait till summer/fall after NN Day to donate to scholarship fund.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

Robert to share date of National Neighborhood Day (September 28?)

All to bring Topics for future general meetings

Robert to send RCONA the 2019 PGNA Board positions list

All to Meet and Greet your neighbors and gather info on **Know Your Neighbors** forms

2019 PGNA Board:

President	<b>Robert Sanchez</b>
Vice President	Laxmi Rao
Secretary/Treas	Sharon Mahany
Member at Large	Lisa Granucci
Member at Large	Evelyn Gibson

# 2019 Meetings on the THIRD Tuesday at 6:30pm: General Meeting 6:30-8pm Public Invited. Speakers invited. Board Meeting 7-8pm Planning Meeting Only.

May 21 June	board meeting no meeting	7-8pm
<b>July 16</b> Aug 20 Sept	<b>general meeting/planning</b> board meeting no meeting	<b>6:30-8pm</b> 7-8pm
<b>Oct 15</b> Nov 19 Dec.	<b>general meeting/elections</b> board meeting no meeting	<b>6:30-8pm</b> 7-8pm

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

July 16 general meeting at 6:30

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Mahany, Secretary/Treasurer