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RAMONA MAYON,

Plaintiff,

Case No. CGC-25-629986

COALITION ON
HOMELESSNESS; JENNIFER
FRIEDENBACH as executive
director of COALITION ON
HOMELESSNESS; LAWYERS
COMMITTEE CIVIL RIGHTS
SAN FRANCISCO; ACLU OF
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA;
URBAN ALCHEMY; LENA
MILLER, as executive Director of
URBAN ALCHEMY; and
DOES 1-50

DECLARATION: RAMONA MAYON

Date: March 11, 2026 Time: 10:30 am Dept: 610

Defendants

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To this Honorable Court,

I, Ramona Mayon, declare as follows:

- 1. I have been a resident of San Francisco since May 31, 1997, except for five years in the Delta. I have been a housing rights organizer since 1997 exclusively concerned with the rights and abuse of the Vehicle Dweller. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and would testify thereto if called.
- 2. In my time in San Francisco (since I came here on purpose in 1997 from my home state of Louisiana, living in the honeymoon gift from my in-laws, a 32' black Bluebird schoolbus housing our blended family of five children, to be married November 14, 1997 in Golden Gate Park), I have had three voluntary contacts with the Defendant COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS (COH): 1st, their publication Street Sheet published my poem in their 1998 poetry edition (Exhibit A); 2nd, their publication of an essay in the Feb 2021 issue (Exhibit E of Complaint); and 3rd, during a protest they organized in front of SFMTA in 2021 that I barely remember. I have never contributed in any other way to Defendant COH. That's because they have zero focus in their advocacy to help legalize/ legitimize RV/ vehicle dwelling. Their focus is tent dwelling, which is harmful to society at large; mostly, it is an inadequate and cruel way to house humans when such an invention as an RV exists for under \$10,000 and enables the "Person Experiencing Homelessness" ("PEH") to leave their particular exclusionary zone, such as miserable San Francisco has become to me, living in an older RV that is being banned November 1, 2025 by SFMTA 7.2.54. Exhibit B establishes that their agenda has never included vehicle dwellers as it is from the Defendant COH's website and lists their accomplishments. There's been one strange, flop of a lawsuit by "End Poverty Tows Coalition" which actually served to firm up that police authority CAN tow for any other reason but a small number of unpaid parking tickets. It did ZERO to establish that the middle part, (i.e. the interior of that middle part of the vehicle's chassis) contains, for the purpose of the 4th, 5th, 9th, and 14th amendments, a home and one's papers.
- 3. On the other hand, my life since that first, very violent police raid November 13, 1997 (night before our wedding) has been three (3) decades of self-directed study of Constitutional law, specifically how exactly each class (i.e. slaves, women, the disabled, Vietnam veterans, etc.) obtained suspect status, as well as a minor in how international humanitarian crimes are prosecuted in the Hague. I went from writing essays to books through the 90's into the 2010's, and self-published on Amazon: "Nomadic Proud" and "Vehicle Dwellers Legal Primer" plus others. Progressed to extensive white papers on Academia.edu where I was accepted as an

Independent Researcher in 2017 under "gypsy anthropology" for my 1900+ page half-a-million word paper about hate speech ("My Big Fat Book of GypsyTraveller Lies, Hate, and Bigotry"). I also (currently) publish and distribute a pamphlet titled "Why You Hate the Homeless: 641 years of Anti-Gypsy Laws and Acts". The name of my business is the Gypsy Book Shop. My focus is exclusively on vehicle dwellers and the vibrant, worldwide, historical hatred of the GRT. That's the acronym for Gypsy-Roma-Traveller and how we are referred to by European parliaments and NGOs - here in America, we are lumped in with the homeless. I am an American-born Scottish Traveller, maiden name Robertson. I have almost always lived on wheels. Exhibit C is the memo issued on Oct 8, 2020 by the U.S. State Dept titled: "Working Definition of Anti-Roma Racism". In the footnote, naming 16 subsets of known nomadic groups (i.e. DNA, not choice), Travellers are listed (note: there are both Irish and Scottish Travellers). So, in a simple, non-threatening way, this instant case is a baseline introduction to the American gypsyTraveller. It's for other courtrooms that I ask what I call the "Gypsy Question", (i.e. "Is it really okay to treat us like this?"), which I did as recently as August 21, 2025 in front of the Appeal panel in Mayon v. Breed (Exhibit N in the Complaint).

- 4. Four months after my husband's death July 7, 2020 (in Sacramento), with the entire state "shut down" for the COVID-19 pandemic, needing a place full of memories in order to stabilize, I returned to San Francisco where we had lived 1997 to 2013 because it was familiar to me. I didn't feel as lost here. The pandemic was in full blast at that point and I didn't want to endanger family members, but mostly, I wanted to be alone on the beach to grieve. I had temporarily lost use of my RV-home of then-8 years due to mechanical failure and it was stored in the mountains. I was sleeping in my car at night, but utilizing a tent during the day. Upon my return to the City, an old friend invited me to stay next to her trailer parked on Great Highway at Balboa with approximately 30 other people as part of the beach encampment. I joined them on November 10, 2020.
- 5. On November 16, 2020 I was enrolled by HOT (Homeless Outreach Team) into the Dept of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) database mandated by HUD called the Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS). After they departed, a member of the encampment told everyone that a "sweep" was planned for Nov 18, 2020. Thus being verbally informed, and having an extensive history of "sweeps" (and PTSD) from the dozens of middle of night police raids of our schoolbus home (1997 2013, due to SFPD 97 which, in 1971, criminalized eating or sleeping in one's "house car"), absolutely I packed my tent and moved my car away from the encampment. I returned the next morning (at approximately 7 am) on foot and filmed the entire proceedings. I published the photos on a blog www.supportsurvival.home.blog with the videos themselves at the top of the playlist holding the entire library of this saga with Dept of Homelessness and their non-profiteers on my Youtube channel.

- 6. Because of the voter approved San Francisco Police Code § 169, I knew that written notice was required 24 hours prior, but also due to the size of the encampment, CDC has put out recommendations to not disturb the PEH, and maybe even offer aid. That was why I filed the pro se TRO on November 25, 2020 (exhibit D of the Complaint). In retrospect, if I had just asked for water, we might have been helped. Instead, I unleashed on myself, from that time forth, the fury of the City multi-agency task forces who were determined to make me pay for my advocacy. I laughingly tell those I organize with that, "I have done my best to become the Dept of Homelessness' Public Enemy #1 in court and out, and that I deserve it. But do I really?" When I speechify, I try to remember to close with that thought, so they go away thinking about whether THEY deserve what's happening to them, over that most basic right of all, the choice of where one seeks sanctuary and solitude: one's HOME.
- 7. Throughout December 2020, the City multi-agency teams harassed the Ocean Beach encampment so badly, all the people dispersed into sad, solitary campsites throughout Golden Gate Park to hide from the increasingly aggressive tactics trying to force us into the Moscone Center, a sports stadium downtown (without parking), converted to a massive homeless shelter for up to 400 homeless people and their pets. 800 opportunities to catch a deadly disease. Since the vaccine was not invented yet, and it was widely reported that across the country, people were dying in droves, no one I knew would submit to such stupidity. I do have a tape of this being offered, and where I call it genocide @ https://youtu.be/14jRvzhFip0?si=aq3EA8115MZ60Zns
- 8. Once the entire encampment group had been dispersed by HSOC (Healthy Street Operations Center which includes park rangers and SFPD), I was back to solo camping in my car, but with winter setting in, I used my AAA service to have my broken and unregistered RV towed from the mountains to me on Ocean Beach, on the other side of the park where the Great Highway meets the beach on Lincoln Avenue. My home arrived on Dec 23, 2020. My hunger strike began the next day because the neighbors (about 12 of them) had come out incensed, yelling at me to leave, etc. Yes, even for me it was terrifying. So I immediately plastered my RV with hand lettered signs saying, "Housing Rights or Death" and set out to get help from the City who was custodian of the CARES Act funding flowing from the federal government to the Cities for care of the PEH. Exhibit D is the SOS email I sent out on December 29, 2020. The only response was from someone who did "phone buddies" with the homeless to give them 24/7 emotional support (no, thank you) and an email where Defendant COH, who offered to publish anything I wanted to write about why I was on a hunger strike. That essay is Exhibit E H of the Complaint, showing the essay and the emails surrounding the \$60 I was paid.

- 9. On Jan 4, 2021, I received an email from someone at Defendant LAWYERS COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS SAN FRANCISCO (LCCRSF) who would go on to make a donation of \$500 towards repairing my RV (Exhibit E).
- 10. On Jan 5, 2021, I filed for another TRO re. fear that my RV would be seized. It is here that I began a low-key battle of pressure to obtain RV-specific services. The day after the first case management conference, April 13, 2021, I was contacted by the Dept's Problem Solving division who, on April 15, 2021, when we had our first phone call, can be heard here saying "yes" to my case plan funding for a mechanic's services, smog, clear tickets, DMV registration, and the "Elite" level of membership at Thousand Trails RV Resorts which would have allowed me stays up to 21-days at a time and the amenity-rich RV resorts are within 80 miles of one another and there are 7 in the area. The Dept's lies, which would go on until March 4, 2025 @ https://youtu.be/SzzvfJKrWiY?si=zkmfHbXQdPIboOwl
- 11. On October 10 and 27, 2021, I received two texts and on Oct 18, 2021, a phone call (Exhibit F) from same organization, Defendant LCCRSF (but a different person than is in Exhibit E from January 2021), asking if I would talk to them about my experience with how the City conducted sweeps of encampments. I had no animus at that point, I simply wasn't interested.
- 12. By this time, I had been officially diagnosed with breast cancer and was desperate to get the necessary radiation/ mastectomy/ chemo treatment the doctors advised. In spite of knowing that urgency, the Problem Solvers kept moving the goal posts and eventually ghosted me after paying for half the RV registration but nothing else. Ludicrously, on October 20, 2021 the Problem Solver called Adult Protective Services (APS) on me for medical self-neglect. It was the Problem Solvers division that had failed to provide case plan funding that would have gotten me to an RV park lifestyle again where I had support to seek medical care, instead I was left sixteen (16) months begging a revolving door of City workers. I was the office joke, and they let it be known in tape after tape after tape and just as many emails. I published a book out of the emails called "No Services. No Peace" and they still laughed in my face because they were untouchable. Even then in my frustration I did not contact the Defendants. By February 4, 2022 I was enrolled into hospice by Sutter Health, expecting to be dead by Christmas.
- 13. August 9, 2022 I was subjected to a sweep of the seven (7) RVs parked around me at Lincoln and Great Highway (no tents). This was recorded and it can be clearly heard as a promise @ https://youtube.com/clip/UgkxmcdlSGW3-QdHlBn8EbDfME fvzHYHRND-?si = SDiQ8FzGuNQxvKoi that I would receive repairs at the "Vehicle Triage Center" if I would agree to go there. What choice did I have after more than a year of lies?

14. Other audio from earlier visits from an official at HSOC (Healthy Streets Operation Center), the man can be heard to bring up my hospice status and ask if I had discussed "institutional hospice" in case something happened to my RV on August 5, 2021 @ https://youtube.com/clip/Ugkx1QzDjkS3M5FSBsUMj7EeXWJKPFwnCwVN?si=vFxt8mtw9qC-84vz Earlier, in May 2022, the same man can be clearly heard to say not to leave my RV unattended @ https://youtube.com/clip/UgkxNRtaz 2ZQcHd2toAKhIyes OUgmpGFhnIq?si=gb7HWS9-Y 05jO651 and @ https://youtube.com/clip/Ugkxlubg_uZ8uXxmZeUtxwR3p R7PoYJLihh9? si=eHBDqbYYSYRFF6ah and @ https://youtube.com/clip/UgkxmuHL3HgAMnPNn4L14X j2sDxcIcnkTyqA?si=w9t1AlwZ979kBpwE Even then, under such immense pressure, I did not contact the Defendants.

15. I resided at the Vehicle Triage Center from August 9, 2022 until it was shut down on March 4, 2025. It was against my free will to be there. The day I arrived, after the "sweep" on Ocean Beach, delivered by Atlas Towing to the Vehicle Triage Center, with me following in my SUV, I immediately discovered my RV had been damaged by the tow (they refused to trailer it, so a regular tow truck was used). The RV rear end visibly sagged and eventually, I would discover the rear leaf springs had inverted and bent. It was in far worse shape than the mere refusal to start consistently. I wouldn't be able to get that repaired until March 8, 2024 and by then there was significant damage to the siding of the RV since the 3" sag in the bottom made the roof basically crack at the seams (on the roof seal) so rain got inside, swelling the wood frame, causing the entire body to warp and leak even more. That was the winter of 11 atmospheric rivers hitting the Bay area, one after the other.

16. I had been at the "safe parking" site for two months, when I read the opening brief of the defendants lawsuit against the City (Exhibit B of the Complaint). Exhibit G is the Declaration made by Jeff Kowisky. Exhibit H is the April 1, 2022 article about him joining Urban Alchemy as its "growth" director. Upon seeing my 2020 pro se litigation obliquely referred to, with my identity cloaked to the general public by "unhoused person", but not the City Attorney's office, I prudently chose a course of silence because that seemed the safest, given I still believed I was dying, surrounded by a hostile workforce of former long-term prisoners who viewed their employer as their only option to be an upstanding citizen, and seeing as I was on hospice, and this was known by all defendants as well as the City to be gravely ill (NOTE: one does not get on hospice without a team looking at one's medical records). At this point, all I cared about was getting back to a rural RV park so I could have privacy to pass with dignity. Well, obviously THAT never happened.

17. On August 30 - 31, 2022 the Dept. Problem Solver showed up with a mechanic and she rejected the plan already in place, from the (street) Problem Solver, saying it exceeded the budget

(all this is on tape). I refused services of her mechanic, due to the yet-again changing goal posts and criteria. It wouldn't be until January of 2024 - a full sixteen (16) months later - that a mechanic would be brought in to do the work. He left before it was finished, and it still didn't start, in spite of over \$4000 being paid to him. The men hired Nov-Dec 2023, to do "weatherization", left the RV roof even more leaky plus they stripped all the silicone out the windows, replacing it with plain housing caulk, now all my windows leaked. The final, unsuccessful attempt to repair my RV so I could move to a friend's driveway in Clearlake (approved by the Dept) was in December 2024 and cost the tax payer at least \$11,000 (I have only some of the invoices). That mechanic left a broken spark plug in my engine and told the Dept my RV was irreparable. In spite of so much money being spent on paper, the RV never ran while at the Vehicle Triage Center, and on March 4, 2025, it was towed to the street and left for dead. The essence of a state-created danger to a disabled, elderly whistleblower. Still, throughout all this horror, I didn't contact the Defendants for help.

18. On April 15, 2025, two (completely-volunteer) street mechanics recovered the broken spark plug the aforementioned (unlicensed) mechanic left in my RV engine, then went on to rebuild the entire ignition system all the way down to the distributor (approximately \$1,000 in parts I bought with my credit cards). After five years of persistent work, my RV now starts and drives. It remains vulnerable to being seized due to other issues, including the aforementioned (unlicensed) mechanic putting four (4) car passenger (low quality) tires on the RV instead of the 6 high-quality truck tires he invoiced for. Same with the low-quality batteries going dead after three-days. Other work needs doing, including the running lights and some front end work. Smog and DMV. There is an acute danger of such inadequate tires, so I am still stuck in the Bayview. HSH sends HOT by but when I say give me what was promised at the VTC, they scurry away. Again, I have not solicited the help of the Defendants.

19. The reason for that - beyond my historical dislike of the Defendant COHs' failure to assert the rights of the vehicle dweller, is more pointed that that, because I knew (all along) that Defendant FRIEDENBACH is on the oversight committee that approved the funding for the Vehicle Triage Center. She (and Defendant MILLER who would soon send her staff to run it) knew and approved the conditions for opening the place next door to the infamous SuperFund site that is Hunter's Point Shipyard. She knew of the constant digging and soil disturbance (per the \$2 million dollar contract to Phoenix Electric). She knew there was no electricity, that we were made to give up our propane bottles to Urban Alchemy (tape @https://youtube.com/clip/Ugkx-T0oTNWFqzHt2O3i5VxVFBV-m6MAt0uQ?si=CS-izU9Bl59R9y14 where staff tells us to "check in our propane bottles with Urban Alchemy"). We signed an agreement to NOT COOK IN OUR HOMES because there was no fire suppression. Rats ran rampant and we had to deal with them in the dark. When the big rat clean up occurred, it was a man walking around with

a high pressure water sprayer, aerolizing all the feces and urine into the communal air. There was no kitchen, only a microwave outside by the charging station. Completely ignored ADA rights (that's the HUD case, in mid-stage right now). Constantly lied to AND about repairs (in City reports as well as the media) and other assistance. Social isolation, I spent three (3) Christmases in that remote, scary prison-like camp. The only outside visitors were Glide Memorial Harm Reduction vans that came through once a week (!!!) and occasionally a staffer from Coalition on Homelessness would come in to transport residents to a meeting in front of the Board of Supervisors to ask for the place to stay open. They did no actual organizing on site — or off.

- 20. Regarding the open cruelty of the Urban Alchemy staff (some of it filmed), suffice to say, it was discussed in the media by the tenant union members as well as having HUD file a complaint in my name (and some of the other residents) on Oct 1, 2024 against them for retaliation (plus my own ADA claims) is sufficient comment for this Declaration. Other Navigation Centers in the City's system do not report having these horrific conditions. This was done like this to pressure us into giving up our RVs and "going indoors". Defendant MILLER has taken to calling her operations as giving a "Four Seasons spa experience" to the PEH. That means it was a City policy to treat us so badly at the Bayview Vehicle Triage Center. They the brass at HSH and Urban Alchemy often paraded visiting dignitaries through the place without notice to show off how tight the operation there was. I put a stop to that (as union rep) in late June 2024 when I intentionally stopped the touring group and demanded to know why I was being kept in a human zoo and there's former inmates recreating their life experience on my dime. No one was ever brought out again, to my knowledge. And still I did not contact the Defendants to get their help because I understood they were ALL collaborative in the funding and oversight and management of the "safe parking" program.
- 21. Once my time (Exhibit I) on hospice ended May 31, 2023 because my insurance wouldn't pay for it after such a long time, and since I wasn't "declining", that is to say, I didn't die, I was discharged. I now receive medical care at UCSF Cancer Center. Part of that care is a weekly session with a psychotherapist who specializes in the dying and grief. That began late August 2023. By mid-October 2023, my head had cleared enough that I formed a tenants union, based on San Francisco's unique Charter amendment at Chapter 49A which allows those in places with more than 5 units, if they get 50% sign-ons they could unionize and force the landlord to the table. I garnered 23 signatures out of 35 residents.
- 22. January 26, 2024, I filed a pro se complaint for *Negligence per Se* alleging the conditions were unbearable and that we were indeed tenants under *WIC 8255* which is where the "Housing First" policy is encoded into law. It says the word "tenant" 13 times. The 2024 pro se litigation

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was meant to ask for help in the most direct way available in our system of checks and balances. That case was kept open until an appeals hearing I lost Aug 21, 2025. That would be Exhibit N of the Complaint. The conditions were known to the public - and presumably the Defendants - due to our tenant union, the Candlestick 35, making a substantial appearance in the media, which I show an INDEX of as Exhibit J. Media coverage for the VTC began as soon as it opened. I began cooperating with the media in February 2023 and was very open about doing it, speaking directly to Defendant URBAN ALCHEMY. I felt it made me safer for them to know I was speaking out and others were watching. It was all published in first rate newspaper(s) and the TV news did reports as well. I did it so all could see what was happening to us, simply BECAUSE we are Vehicle Dwellers. No one else in the HSH system is treated like this. That effort would go on to win the Reporter first place in digital media at the San Francisco Press Club on Dec 4, 2024 (Exhibit K) in two categories. Next day, notices were delivered that the Vehicle Triage Center would close in 90 days (Exhibit L). That closure occurred March 3, 2025.

23. I also present here as a part of Exhibit J the full text of the libelous article of Dec 13, 2024 in the SF Standard (only excerpts are presented as Exhibit L of the Complaint). I read it the day of its publication and was appalled. However, I did NOT consider suing the publication itself as it was the very same one that published the prize-winning profile on my books about my struggle for dignity over my GRT heritage May 2023.

24. While I had known the whole time I lived at the VTC about Defendant FRIEDENBACH being on the OCOH oversight committee, since she was the one who instigated the campaign that brought about the tax that funded it so it was widely reported in the media, including the grant for \$250,000 that was awarded Defendant COH (Exhibit M), it wasn't until August 5, 2025, quite randomly, I discovered Exhibit M of the Complaint, the paper signed by Mayor London Breed in 2020 putting Defendant MILLER on the OCOH committee where she had direct input on the sub-committee on Shelters and Navigation Centers. This is odd, to say the least, because she is the executive director of Defendant URBAN ALCHEMY that received millions in grants from this tax base. Her salary in 2023 was \$339,271, while in 2020, it was \$30,519. That's a thousand percent increase in salary in four years. This committee seat occupied by Defendant MILLER was discovered at the same time as Exhibit N, which was signed off by the Ethics committee (thus relevant here) for \$353,000 for purchase of a shower trailer meant to be stationed at the safe parking program. That trailer was never at the Vehicle Triage Center because the shower trailer that was on-site was the subject of the aforementioned HUD investigation and came from a rental company. What we had was only open four times a week mornings only, for 35 people (all men but 5), and it had dangerous ramps for the wheelchair bound resident. That was the basis of her HUD claim, while my HUD claim is about how I was treated by URBAN ALCHEMY and the Dept (HSH) after I substantiated the disabled resident's claim on May 9, 2024, on film.

25. After nearly five years of being kept in a state of suspended crisis by the machinations of an opaque, reckless, arrogant agency I have every intention of holding accountable, nonetheless, I remain committed to living in my RV home of thirteen years (13), which is now running, drives, and is about to get a roof. How can the Dept decide my investment, my property, my hard-earned HOME is a public blight worthy of being seized? While I have appealed the new Large Vehicle Task Force's failure to have me (of all people) in their "Refuge Permit" scheme, simply as a formality to show the (federal) court it ("Refuge Permit") doesn't actually have any due process happening with it, I do very much plan to leave San Francisco as soon as I can.

26. I would, in closing, point out that the Defendants FRIEDENBACH, COH, ACLU, and LCCRSF have made no attempt whatsoever in mounting a facial challenge to SFMTA 7.2.54 which proves my point about why I don't want a false association with them.

Sworn under penalty of perjury,

Ramona Mayon

Dated October 21, 2025

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2	EXHIBITS
3	A) Poem in 1998 Street Sheet
5	B) Accomplishments put forth on Defendant COH's website
6	C) Memo from US State Dept re. gypsy racism
7	D) SOS email Dec 2020
8	E) Emails from staffer at Defendant LCCRSF
9	F) Other contacts from LCCRSF Oct 2021
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12	G) Declaration of Jeff Kowisky filed into my 2020 pro se litigation
13	H) Media about Jeff Kowisky joining Urban Alchemy
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17	K) Prize-winning proof Dec 4, 2024
18	L) Notices to Close VTC Dec 5, 2024
19 20	M) Proof of grant for \$250,000 to Defendant COH from OCOH committee
21	N) Receipt for shower trailer via ethics committee sign-off
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COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS / WHO WE ARE / ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

37 Years of Resistance, Resilience and Re-Building

decades, the Coalition on Homelessness has developed the leadership skills of meless San Franciscans to forge true solutions to the housing crisis and beat back an-spirited attacks against them. This represents highlights of our collective accomplishments.

- A ragtag group of community activists and homeless folks, fed up with the lack of a response to homelessness that addressed the root causes, formed the Coalition on Homelessness.
- The Coalition established the most progressive welfare income disregard programs in the country, whereby cash aid recipients could retain funds to move into permanent housing.
- Founded the Street Sheet, now holding the double distiction of being both the oldest continuously published street newspaper in North America, and the paper with the largest circulation.



- The Coalition created the first supportive housing for homeless people in San Francisco in the form of Community Housing Partnership, which now provides over 1,000 units of permanent affordable supportive housing, and employs homeless people in the construction, maintenance, and support services at those housing locations.
- The Coalition designed and advocated for the McMillan Center, an innovative 24-hour drop-in facility for substance users, as an innovative strategy to reduce the number of street deaths.
- We developed the Uniform Grievance Procedure with other organizations to ensure shelter residents have due process rights and are not unfairly evicted from shelters.
- The Coalition advocated for and designed A Woman's Place, a drop-in center, shelter, and transitional housing program now assisting mentally disabled women, through the convening of the Homeless Women's Task Force.
- Fought back another electoral attempt to deduct rent from welfare recipients checks.
- Succeeded in passing a resolution at the Board of Supervisors to demand an end to the Matrix program, which broadly persecuted homeless people who were forced to live on the streets through ticketing, property confiscation and police sweeps.

- Thanks to Coalition pressure, the District Attorney dismissed 39,000 tickets issued by the anti-homeless Matrix program.
- The Coalition's General Assistance Rights Union became an independent organization: People Organized to Win Employment Rights (POWER). This eventually led to single adult welfare recipients earning a living wage and winning free Muni for youth in SF.
- We spearheaded the campaign for substance abuse treatment on demand, which resulted in over \$12 million dollars in new treatment funds.

- Low-income mothers organized by the Coalition designed the concept and garnered funding for a community-based 24- hour drop-in treatment center for families with children living in the Tenderloin, called Oshun, after the Yoruba Orisha of healing.
- The Coalition wrote and successfully campaigned for adoption of a "No Turn Away" policy for families seeking emergency shelter in San Francisco.
- We organized for and wrote legislation to create a single standard of care, whereby uninsured mentally ill people are afforded equal access to mental health treatment as those who are insured, saving 1,700 from losing treatment.

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- Together with community partner organizations, we formed, and later staffed, the People's Budget Collaborative, which identified alternative City budget savings and revenues and over the years has staved off tens of millions in cuts to poverty abatement programs.
- The Coalition led the work that created the Mission Neighborhood Resource Center (MNRC)—the first resource center in the Mission District. Everyday, the MNRC provides critical services to over 100 clients, most of them Latino. the Mission District. Everyday, the MNRC provides critical services to over 100 clients, most of them Latino.
- The Coalition identified hundreds of San Francisco Housing Authority vacant units and successfully pushed the Housing Authority to place 300 homeless families in those units.

- Our work led to the creation of the Shelter Monitoring Committee, which tracks conditions in shelters and resulted in exposure and correction of countless problems in the shelter system.
- The Coalition passed legislation that ensures vacant publicly owned surplus City property be turned over for the use of housing for homeless people.

This has led to two large affordable housing projects targeting homeless veterans and families.

- Together with organizations in the East Bay, Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle, we collectively founded the Western Regional Advocacy Project (WRAP).
- Homeless families organized by the Coalition on Homelessness campaigned for a local rental housing subsidy and increased eviction prevention funding, protecting hundreds of families from homelessness and enabling hundreds more to exit homelessness.
- We released Shelter Shock—a report on human rights violations in the shelter system, revealing that 55% of all shelter clients reported experiencing some form of abuse, and bringing media light and legislative action to these problems.
- The Coalition pushed through legislation to mandate minimum standards in the shelters. For the first time, our shelters have enforceable minimum standards around health, hygiene, and the human rights of shelter residents.
- Halted the practice by the City of spraying homeless people with high powered hoses in the middle of the night.
- The Coalition handled more than 3,000 civil rights cases per year, connecting homeless folks who have received "quality of life" citations to pro bono legal representation through the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights.

- We passed legislation to still the runaround associated with accessing shelter, by lengthening shelter stays and reducing wait times.
- Settled a lawsuit that led to greatly improved access and conditions for people with disabilities.
- We initiated a working group to move away from a system that requires individuals to stand in line for up to 17 hours. This led to a new very successful call-in system.
- We beat back the implementation of Tasers three times, which are known to increase fatalities at the hands of the police, and instead worked to get the

- police to implement a crisis intervention model to address people in psychiatric crisis.
- We won a local stimulus package of \$3,000,000 for new jobs in shelters and resource centers.
- Ensured all homeless people in San Francisco would receive preferences for HUD housing.
- Led a powerful coalition to garner over \$6,000,000 in city funding for a right to counsel for tenants facing displacement, which will result in over 2,500 additional low-income households having a fighting chance of staying in their homes.
- The Coalition won 1,306 housing subsidies for homeless families with children, elderly, youth, single adults and disabled adults over five years.
- Secured \$2.7 million to fix up vacant public housing and turn them over to nearly 200 homeless households, and got both public housing and section 8 wait lists opened back up
- We released The Roadmap: A Five Year Plan to End the Crisis of Family Homelessness in San Francisco: a practical plan that the Mayor publicly endorsed and garnered \$1.5 million match of private funding for new housing subsidies.
- We collaborated with UC Berkeley Center for Human Rights to release Punishing the Poorest: How the Criminalization of Homelessness Perpetuates Poverty in San Francisco. (2017)
- Released in collaboration with SRO Families United ally organization an SRO Families report entitled Living on The Margins: An analysis and Census of San Francisco Families Living in SROs.

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- In 2020 we released Stop The Revolving Door: An analysis of a street level framework of a new system to addressing homelessness.
- Worked with ally organizations to bring "Right to Rest" legislation to the California legislature.
- Brought international attention to the city's inhumane homeless sweeps and launched a campaign to organize and cultivate leaders in our homeless

encampments.

- Secured funding for a new emergency family shelter
- Transformed the SFPD Use of Force Department General Order, which greatly limits justified use of force.
- Succeeded in getting the city to fund an emergency hotel voucher program for those families that are turned away from emergency shelter.
- Worked with community allies to halt the building of a new jail
- Garnered 450 additional federal housing subsidies for homeless households.
- Helped get the courts to provide amnesty for homeless tickets, and drop issuing warrants on unpaid homeless tickets, which led to cutting down the number of tickets homeless people get by half.



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The U.S. Department of State has used the working definition of Anti-Roma racism* since it was adopted by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) as a legally non-binding definition in 2020. The effort to draft a <u>working definition</u> of anti-Roma racism was spearheaded by experts in the IHRA <u>Committee on the Genocide of the Roma</u> in consultation with representatives of civil society. As a member of IHRA, the United States has encouraged other governments and international organizations to adopt the definition.

The Working Definition of Anti-Roma Racism*

Adopted on 8 October 2020

Acknowledging with concern that the neglect of the genocide of the Roma has contributed to the prejudice and discrimination that many Roma** communities still experience today, and accepting our responsibility to counter such forms of racism and discrimination (Articles 4 and 7 of the IHRA 2020 Ministerial Declaration, article 3 of the Stockholm Declaration), the IHRA adopts the following working definition of anti-Roma racism:

Anti-Roma racism is a manifestation of individual expressions and acts as well as institutional policies and practices of marginalization, exclusion, physical violence, devaluation of Roma cultures and lifestyles, and hate speech directed at Roma as well as other individuals and groups perceived, stigmatized, or persecuted during the Nazi era, and still today, a

to the treatment of Roma as an alleged alien group and associates them with a series of pejorative stereotypes and distorted images that represent a specific form of racism.

To guide the IHRA in its work, the following is being recognized:

Anti-Roma racism has existed for centuries. It was an essential element in the persecution and annihilation policies against Roma as perpetrated by Nazi Germany, and those fascist and extreme nationalist partners and other collaborators who participated in these crimes.

Anti-Roma racism did not start with or end after the Nazi era but continues to be a central element in crimes perpetrated against Roma. In spite of the important work done by the United Nations, the European Union, the Council of Europe, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, and other international bodies, the stereotypes and prejudices about Roma have not been delegitimized or discredited vigorously enough so that they continue to persist and can be deployed largely unchallenged.

Anti-Roma racism is a multi-faceted phenomenon that has widespread social and political acceptance. It is a critical obstacle to the inclusion of Roma in broader society, and it acts to prevent Roma from enjoying equal rights, opportunities, and gainful social-economic participation.

Many examples may be given to illustrate anti-Roma racism. Contemporary manifestations of anti-Roma racism could, taking into account the overall context, include, but are not limited to:

Distorting or denying persecution of Roma or the genocide of the Roma.

Glorifying the genocide of the Roma.

Inciting, justifying, and perpetrating violence against Roma communities, their property, and individual Roma.

Forced and coercive sterilizations as well as other physically and psychologically abusive treatment of Roma.

Perpetuating and affirming discriminatory stereotypes of and against Roma.

Blaming Roma, using hate speech, for real or perceived social, political, cultural, economic, and public health problems.

Stereotyping Roma as persons who engage in criminal behavior.

Using the term "Gypsy" as a slur.

Approving or encouraging exclusionary mechanisms directed against Roma on the basis of racially discriminatory assumptions, such as the exclusion from regular schools and institutional procedures or policies that lead to the segregation of Roma communities.

Enacting policies without legal basis or establishing the conditions that allow for the arbitrary or discriminatory displacement of Roma communities and individuals.

Holding Roma collectively responsible for the real or perceived actions of individual members of Roma communities.

Spreading hate speech against Roma communities in whatever form, for example in media, including on the internet and on social networks.

* The United States uses the term anti-Roma racism, as the **IHRA working definition** recommends that Member Countries use the preferred term in their national context.

** The word 'Roma' is used as an umbrella term which includes different related groups, whether sedentary or not, such as Roma, Travellers, Gens du voyage, Resandefolket/De resande, Sinti, Camminanti, Manouches, Kalés, Romanichels, Boyash/Rudari, Ashkalis, Égyptiens, Yéniches, Doms, Loms and Abdal that may be diverse in culture and lifestyles. The present is an explanatory footnote, not a definition of Roma.

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Sent: Tue, Dec 29, 2020 at 11:12 AM

Subject: HUNGER STRIKE on Ocean Beach

Please be informed that I, an already-ill, recently-widowed (after a 27-year marriage to my best friend) homeless, 60-year-old woman, am on day #5 of a hunger strike protesting the pending seizure of my RV home (only 6 days ago recovered Christmas eve after 9 months and half months homeless). It is not right that all that I'm being told by the HOT team is to go to a congregant shelter. For the past four months, I have been living in my small SUV and a tent trying to get to the day I could start working on my RV.

Ten minutes ago I was just informed by SFPD officer 1457 (Richards) that I will be towed by DPT shortly, due to the expired tags. I explained I needed help. He said the HOT team won't come to help me and that I need to have it towed myself. Okay, where?

It is the only comfort I have had since my husband died, just to be able to sleep on his side of the bed. Please don't take that away from me! As noted on the website below (that leads to an older GoFundMe site showing my late husband had liver cancer and the work needed back then Sept 2029 on the RV, our home since 2012) it's the second GoFundMe shows my current plan to get out of San Francisco).

With help from old friends among the staff at the Sunset Youth Center, where my children attended many years, I have found a mobile mechanic that I pay a bit at a time and though he can work only on Saturdays, it's getting done and I expect to be able to leave by the beginning of February unless the police seize it first, then I am back to living in tents, but this time in the winter.

THUS a hunger strike, because I'd rather die quickly, thank you very much. One of teh signs on my RV (home) windows says: "Moscone Ctr. = Genocide" referreing to all the HOT team or the police or the paramedics have offered me. I just want my HOME and I refuse to accept it's a given I will lose it.

Please note that the first third of the email addresses are to San Francisco Officials but the rest are to every advocate I could find listed (thank you San Francisco Chronicle for the info in SF Homeless Project) because I think your peers really should be watching you, Mr. Kositsky, "the Homeless Czar" as the judge called you on Dec 2, 2020 at the (1st) hearing for the civil rights lawsuit I filed the day before Thanksgiving about what I consider a death sentence, to be made to live in a tent or go to a huge convention hall with hundreds of strangers and their pets. And you actually ask yourself why the pandemic continues to rage.

You may notice that no press have been emailed. That's going out in a separate email tomorrow as Yahoo has a 100-address limit. I will put up a blog entry on the site to show I did it.

Under the preamble of the California State Constitution, it says I have the right to "pursue and obtain safety, happiness and privacy". That's what I ask going back to court this week to ask. I have a right to LIVE. Either I go to a dangerous place (downtown) or I am criminalized, ticketed and eventually, deprived of my property. The other "alternative" are my tents (at least until the police take them). As I write this at 6 am, I have a heater going and I am still cold INSIDE. People are dying out in these tents. It's a human rights violation to forbid RVs as housing and/or seize one's home, if there is an option NOT to do so. Why is this so difficult? Already I am

dealing with grief, illness, poverty, and a pandemic. Why should I have to do it at the Moscone Center? Yes, a hunger strike to draw the average citizen's eye to what you are trying to do to me.

Please do realize I am not actually trying to get anyone to come out and HELP me; all I want is to be left alone long enough to save my home MYSELF.

More details @ www.ramona-mayon.com

Sincerely, Ramona Mayon



Fw: ^_Hunger^_ ^_Strike^_/Towing

1 message

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Mon, Oct 20, 2025 at 2:40 PM

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---- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Samantha Lew" <slew@lccrsf.org>

To: "ramonamayon@yahoo.com" <ramonamayon@yahoo.com>

Sent: Mon, Jan 4, 2021 at 5:37 PM Subject: ^_Hunger^_ ^_Strike^_/Towing

Hi Ramona,

I used to work at the Coalition on Homelessness and received your email from one of my old coworkers there. I'm so sorry to hear about the cruelty from both the City and housed people in the neighborhood... Truly horrifying.

A group of organizations are working to end just the type of towing that you have been threatened with (expired tags) and also want to be able to support people who are living in their vehicles. I will be sharing your blog with them.

I am reaching out to see how I can best support you and let others know about what has been happening. We can also help raise this issue amongst city officials.

Feel free to email me back or call or text me at 415-272-8022.

In solidarity, Sam



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I love my home so much. These past nine months without it just brutalized me. Its worth everything to keep it. Its my health, physical and mental and cover, real cover, for alternatively housed people.

Again, thank you for caring.

Ramona

On Tuesday, January 5, 2021, 92:07:54 PM PST, Samantha Lew <slew@lccrsf.org> wrote:

Hi Ramona,

I understand, and just read through the files that are on that page.

If you would like, here are some ways that we may be able to support:

- · We can try to get together at least some cash to help towards your RV payments
- . We can speak to the officer and the SFMTA (we are in contact with some staff and some of SF supervisors) to work on having your vehicle not be towed until it is fully repaired
- I can reach out to some reporters I know if you are willing to do any interviews and speak out on this issue if you're looking for press coverage!

We are all rooting for you! Sam



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From: Ramona Mayon <ramonamayon@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, January 5, 2021 1:51 PM To: Samantha Lew <slew@lccrsf.org> Subject: Re: Hunger Strike/Towing

I just got an estimate from mechanic...its on the blog link under Mayon RV Rehousing Plan.

It's far too much to ask for anyone to help me with. Its about \$3,000. I have him starting on Saturday piecemeal. By then, surely the stimulus will have its not SFPD - they filed a Declaration from Lt Cox saying they have no intention of towing it. Its SFMTA, says the cops to me personally.

I know it was insane having it brought here, but it's my home and it had my husband's ashes in it and it was about to be forever lost under snow and ice

Ramona

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— Forwarded Message — From: "Samantha Lew" <slew@lccrsf.org>
To: "Ramona Mayor" <ramonamayon@yahoo.com>
Sent: Fri, Jan 8, 2021 at 10:35 AM
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike/Towing
I will pass that along! I just sent this morning, so let me know if it went through.

I am so sorry for your loss, and I'm so sorry that you have to go through this while also having to deal with everything else. I wish I had the right words. I am thinking of you and your husband this week.

- Sam

From: Ramona Mayon <ramonamayon@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, January 5, 2021 2:56 PM To: Samantha Lew <slew@lccrsf.org> Subject: Re: Hunger Strike/Towing

Okay, you made me cry, which is not easy to do. Yes, please with all of the above.

And when you talk to a reporter, refer them the fact I have a book about this way of labeling us @ https://www.amazon.com/Nomadic-Proud-Apartheid-Segregation-Francisco/dp/1519644183 and was, in 2017, accepted as an Independent Researcher at Academia, due to a 1918 pg paper I assembled SHOWING a pattern of worldwide hate speech towards the nomadic plus a bullet point list of 633 laws against Travelling people. https://independent.academia.edu/RamonaMayon

Before a reporter gets here, I want them to already be opening their eyes to the difference in being on wheels because you really want to live that way versus HAVING to live in a vehicle.

I love my home so much. These past nine months without it just brutalized me. Its worth everything to keep it. Its my health, physical and mental and emotional. The fact its a crime at 10 pm is obscene. Ohhhhh we are so going to change that. When I say "we", I mean me and my late husband. That's going to be my memorial to him. I'm going to legalize and legitimize the lifestyle we loved. I am going to make this lawsuit turn into cover, real cover, for alternatively housed people.

Again, thank you for caring.

Ramona

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Subject: Re: Hunger Strike/Towing
Hi Ramona,

You're an amazing advocate for yourself and for those who are experiencing sweeps. And you've got such a keen eye for detail with all of it.

I wanted to let you know that Keegan from the COH is right now reaching out to reporters to see if anyone will take up this story.

In the meantime, about 12 of us have pitched in and will be sending you \$500 towards your repairs. My friends say that they send their well wishes and are thinking of you and want

I can either drop it off to you in cash or transfer to your Paypal. Do you have a preference?

Keep fighting! Sam



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From: Ramona Mayon <ramonamayon@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 6, 2021 2:05 PM
To: Samantha Lew <slew@lccrsf.org>
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike/Towing

Hi,

It's 5NKK592.

The hearing was as I expected. Judge was kind but unable to move legally on what I was asking for. He said basically the City made my request moot I update to the day's blog. I only have three more nights before the mechanic comes to move me up the block, at least.

Also, I would like to add that about 20 minutes ago, a patrol car has parked across street up just a bit, I have attached a photo, and a cop is walking fro street and yell into the phone about the RV (my home), to the police, that DOES actually make it related to this lawsuit. I did pretty good. I didnt "get" a

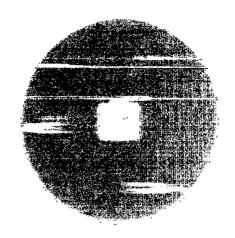
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 I, Jeff Kositsky, declare as follows:

- 1. I am the Manager of San Francisco's Healthy Streets Operations Center ("HSOC"). Except for information made available to me in reports delivered in the ordinary course of business as noted below, I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and would testify thereto if called as a witness.
- 2. The City provides a variety of services to homeless encampments during the pandemic, although the services vary depending on the size and accessibility of the encampment. Services include distribution of masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, trash bags, food, and potable water, and in many locations, the City has placed portable toilets, hand-washing stations, and "pit stop" trailers with showers. During the pandemic, encampments in the City have ranged from a handful of tents to up to fifty tents in one location. In many encampments, tents blocked sidewalks and people failed to comply with social-distancing guidelines. There were sanitation issues notwithstanding the availability of portable toilets, and there was evidence of drug dealing and other criminal activity. After months of effort, most encampments have been resolved through offers of shelter, with over a thousand people moved into alternative shelter sites. HSOC offers everyone at an encampment access to some form of safe alternative shelter. While many people accept offers of shelter from the City, some do not. In my experience, if people in encampments were permitted to remain where they are, public health and public safety issues associated with the encampment would persist.
- 3. Currently, to the best of my knowledge, there are fewer than five encampments of ten or more tents remaining in the City. All of them have reasonable access to portable toilets, handwashing stations, potable water, and regular trash pickups (garbage bags are distributed to residents).
- 4. The City does not resolve encampments during the pandemic unless it has adequate alternative shelter sites available. Although it is possible that the situation could change, at present I do not anticipate that enough additional shelter will become available within the next thirty days and no large encampment resolutions are currently scheduled.
- 5. Based on reports that are available to me in the ordinary course of business, prior to the encampment resolution at issue in this case, two different teams of City workers visited the encampment. On November 16th, a DPH team assessed people for COVID symptoms and other

health issues, and on November 17th members of the Housing Outreach Team informed the residents, including the Petitioner, that the City would be offering shelter alternatives on November 18th.

- 6. Based on reports available to me in the ordinary course of business, on the day of the encampment resolution, there were fifteen people and ten tents. City workers offered every resident an alternative shelter site in either a Safe Sleeping Village or in a congregate shelter, along with transportation to the shelter site. There were eight vehicles, all but one of which remained at the conclusion of the encampment resolution. MTA found no vehicles out of compliance and did not direct anyone to move any vehicle.
- 7. Safe Sleeping Villages are tent communities that the City established during the pandemic; they are staffed around the clock, and provide bathrooms, showers, food, water, and other services. Tents are required to comply with social-distancing rules. All the congregate shelter options comply with governmental social-distancing standards.
- 8. The encampment resolution was not an enforcement action under S.F. Police Code § 169 (Proposition Q).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Dated: December 1, 2020

JEFF KOSITSKY



GOVERNMENT, HOMELESS, NONPROFIT, POLICY

SF's Original Homelessness Czar Has a New Gig With a Fast-Rising Local Nonprofit

After five tumultuous years in city government, Jeff Kositsky wants to help homegrown Urban Alchemy go national.





Jeff Kositsky, the former chief of SF's Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, speaks at a public hearing in November 2019. (Photo by the author)



When Jeff Kositsky stepped down after five years working for the city, mostly as San Francisco's top homelessness official, he seemed ready to move on.

"I'm more of a nonprofit sector guy," <u>he told the *SF Chronicle*</u> last September. "I want to work on a platform that feels more comfortable to me."

Kositsky has quietly landed on that platform: the nonprofit Urban Alchemy, which got its big break four years ago managing public toilets and now has its sights set much higher. The firm provides an array of services in SF and elsewhere, such as street security in the Tenderloin—which has **proved to be a dangerous job**—and the management of sleeping sites for homeless people.

As Urban Alchemy's new director of advancement, Kositsky will work on its "national expansion, organizational development, and fundraising," according to his <u>LinkedIn page</u>. He started in November.

It's a significant hire for the four-year-old organization. Kositsky was the first person to lead SF's revamped homelessness efforts, appointed in 2016 with fanfare and ambitious goals by then-Mayor Ed Lee. He ran the Homelessness and Supportive Housing Department (HSH) for four years, then led an interagency team that cleared sidewalk encampments and offered people shelter.

Kositsky is one of the biggest names in SF's homelessness and nonprofit circles, but the move to Urban Alchemy came with no notice or announcement. In a <u>January 2022 interview</u> on KALW, many weeks after he took the job, the hosts referred to him as the "ex-SF homelessness czar." They did not mention his position with Urban Alchemy, nor did he.

From SF to LA ... and beyond?

In 2018, SF-based Urban Alchemy was spun out of a local nonprofit, Hunter's Point Family Foundation, with city contracts to run hygiene stations called Pit Stops and to keep sidewalks clean. The work began in SF's Tenderloin and spread to other neighborhoods, as well as to Los Angeles, where city officials took note of the nonprofit's SF work.

That work, praised by SF officials, led Urban Alchemy to contracts to run "safe sleeping" sites for homeless folks living in vehicles, and once the pandemic struck, in tents and in so-called shelter-in-place hotels.

In a 2021 interview with a Half Moon Bay radio station, Urban Alchemy CEO Lena Miller said that in early 2020, when city officials were desperate to find staff to run the newly leased hotels, Kositsky put in a good word for Urban Alchemy. Officials were skeptical about UA handling the hotel work, which they had never done before. Kositsky replied, "They might; see what they say," according to Miller.



San Francisco, Slow to Move the Homeless into Empty Hotels, Finally Asks for Help

Last December, a month after Kositsky started at UA, the organization signed a contract to operate and provide security for a safe sleep camp in Sausalito, and it continues to garner significant projects in its hometown. At the heart of Mayor <u>London Breed</u>'s recent emergency plan for the beleaguered Tenderloin is a linkage center where people can seek housing, healthcare, and other services. Urban Alchemy has a \$1.8 million contract to manage the site. In February, it <u>won an \$18.7 million contract</u> to run a long-term shelter for up to 250 people on Post Street.

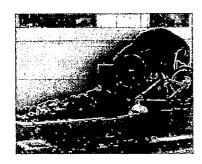
While Kositsky's LinkedIn job description nods to national ambitions, Urban Alchemy has not publicly said where it plans to expand next.

Kositsky and Urban Alchemy did not respond to requests for comment.

A czar's history

After running the nonprofit <u>Hamilton Families</u> for two and a half years, Kositsky became SF's homelessness chief in 2016 <u>amid high expectations</u>. Mayor Ed Lee wanted 8,000 people housed by the end of his term, for instance.

One of Kositsky's Hamilton initiatives aimed to <u>tap tech industry giants</u> for funding and build a system that helped the nonprofit cut wait times for housing in half to about six months. He wanted to parlay that work into better citywide services, but <u>a new data-driven</u> <u>approach hit roadblocks</u>.



In San Francisco's Homelessness Crisis, Big Data Still Means Big Problems

Kositsky's success—as much as any homelessness director—was judged by what people could see on the streets. And by February 2019, many had seen enough as encampments were cropping up in neighborhoods that had previously had none.

'We're trying to change the way business has been done for the last 20 years. We used to be a nonprofit-centered city. We need a client-centered system.'—Jeff Kositsky in 2019

At a public hearing that month, several supervisors criticized the department, including Sup. <u>Aaron Peskin</u>, who <u>called for Kositsky's ouster</u>. "I don't believe that this individual is suited to run that department if we want real change," Peskin said at the time.

A few months later, the biennial point-in-time count of SF's homeless population revealed a 15 percent increase to 8,000. All the while, Kositsky was trying to shift power away from the city's web of nonprofits, like the one he had run at Hamilton, and toward city agencies—a move he said would help SF's homeless get help faster. "We're trying to change the way business has been done for the last 20 years," Kositsky told **The Frisc** in 2019. "We used to be a nonprofit-centered city. We need a client-centered system."

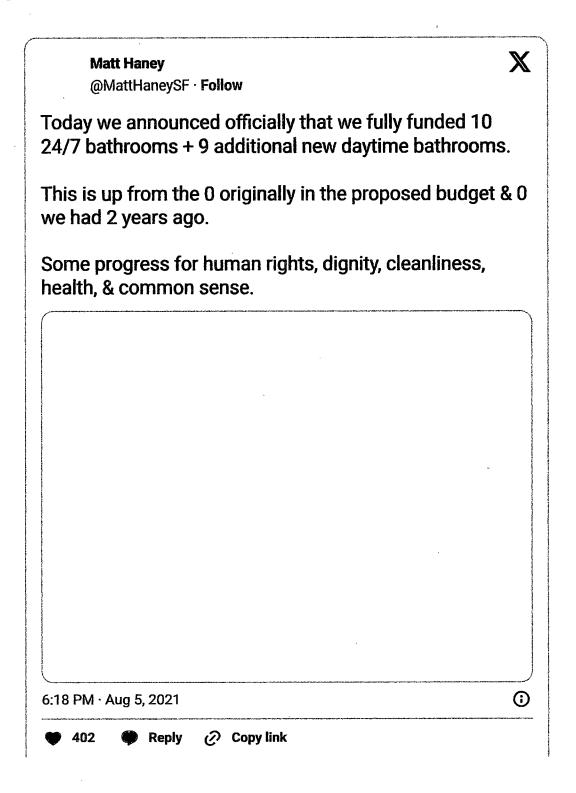
Whatever progress he might have made was rudely interrupted. In March 2020, COVID-19 shut down the city and scrambled its homelessness strategy. Outbreaks hit crowded shelters, which had to be shut down, sidewalks became <u>even more crowded with tents</u>, and officials scrambled to rent hotels and find other ways to ease the pressure.

That month, Kositsky left the top seat at HSH to run the Healthy Streets Operations Center (HSOC), which combines services of several agencies to clear tent encampments and move people into shelters.

Kositsky pledged that HSOC would be less reactive—that is, respond less to complaints and work more proactively with people on the streets. But advocates for the homeless charged that HSOC was intent on "sweeping" people off the street, whether or not they had shelter available.

SF Says Homeless Get Shelter Offers, and Advocates Disagree. That Misses the Big Picture

Part of the public debate over HSOC centered on the <u>use and location of public toilets</u> and their relationship to homeless encampments. At one point, Mayor Breed wanted to cut public toilet funding from the city budget, and Sup. <u>Matt Haney</u>, a champion of public toilets, <u>hit back on Twitter</u>: "If people don't have a place to go, that doesn't mean they don't go somewhere."



Haney, whose District 6 includes the Tenderloin and South of Market, managed to restore some funding.

Meanwhile, Kositsky is returning to the nonprofit sector after presiding over rapid growth in the city's homelessness budget, which now exceeds \$1 billion over two years. The crisis shows no signs of slowing. The city, which relies heavily on nonprofit contractors to run a network of housing and other services, will be spending plenty of money in the near future—and that means plenty of opportunity for fast-growing groups like Urban Alchemy.

Staff writer Kristi Coale (<u>@unazurda</u>) writes about homelessness and more for **The Frisc**. She reported this story as a USC Annenberg Center for Health Journalism 2021 Data Journalism fellow.

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July 21, 2022

Ramona Mayon 1234 Great Highway
San Francisco, CA 94122

Dear Ms. Ramona Mayon,

This letter is to confirm that you, Ramona Mayon, are enrolled in hospice services on with Sutter Care at Home, San Francisco, California.

Hospice services are provided to individuals with a life expectancy of six months or less. The hospice team focuses on providing medical, emotional, and spiritual care for the terminally ill patient as well as assisting family members manage the practical and emotional challenges of caring for a dying loved one.

Please contact the hospice office at (415) 749-4201 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Shiila Gascon, RN DPCS

Director of Patient Care Services

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City and County of San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing

San Francisco Homeless Outreach Team 50 Ivy Street San Francisco, CA 94102 Phone (415) 355-7555 FAX (415) 355-7404

February 4, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to verify that Ramona Mayon is currently homeless and actively works with the San Francisco Homeless Outreach program. She's currently being put into hospice care due to her diagnosis of breast cancer. We have been diligently working with her for over a year. We have also referred her to ECS for problem solving for further support. If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Sincerely,

Trina Branch Outreach Specialist II 415-317-9213 415-823-1855

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Mayor London Breed Proposes New City Policy to Address Oversized Vehicle Parking Across San Francisco Sept 20, 2024

New legislation will allow for an oversized vehicle like an RV to be towed if an offer of shelter or housing is rejected with a goal of getting people to accept services being offered

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By Maggie Angst for San Francisco Chronicle Oct 1, 2024

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Homeless unions on both sides of Bay sue cities to prevent sweeps, program closures -

(Illustration by Diane Bakunawa for Local News Matters; photos courtesy Jay Harris, Joe Dworetzky/Bay City News) Feb 21, 2025

Homeless "unions" on both sides of the San Francisco Bay are suing cities to prevent sweeps of encampments or program closures.

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San Francisco safe parking site to close, advocates concerned NBC News Published February 28, 2025

'It's time to wind this down': Residents brace for closure of Bayview Vehicle Triage Center -Local News Matters ***

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City begins clearing out safe RV parking site in San Francisco

By Sergio Quintana • Published March 3, 2025 • Updated on March 3, 2025 at 5:51 pm

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By Joe Kukura for SFist 3 March 2025*

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San Francisco closes Vehicle Triage Center for People without homes By Sunni Khalid for KAWL News March 5, 2025

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San Francisco Homeless 311 Responses Times

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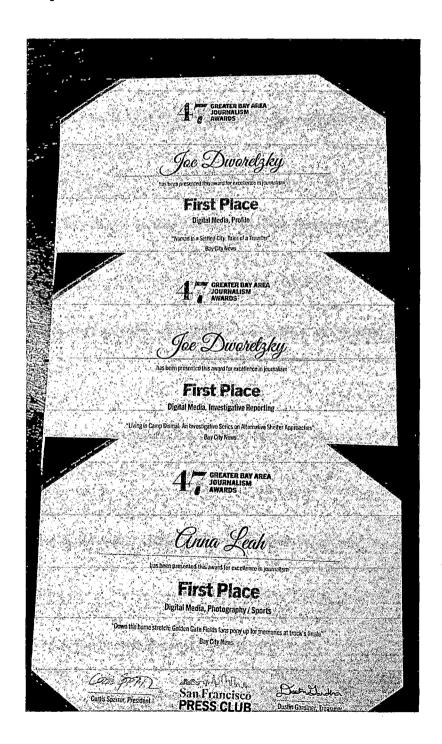








At the San Francisco Press Club's $47^{ ext{th}}$ annual awards dinner in December, Bay City News received five awards:





- Joe Dworetzky, First Place, Digital Media,
 Profile "Nomad in a Settled City: Tales of a Traveller"
- Joe Dworetzky, First Place, Digital Media, Investigative Reporting <u>"Living in Camp</u>
 <u>Dismal: An Investigative Series on</u>
 <u>Alternative Shelter Approaches"</u>
- Joe Dworetzky, First Place, Editorial Cartoon, "<u>Bay City Sketchbook:</u>
 <u>Experiencing Homelessness</u>"





ireen McSpadden, Executive Director

February 20, 2025

Dear VTC Guest,

On December 5th, 2024, the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH), Urban Alchemy (UA) and Bayview Hunters Point Foundation (BHPF) provided you with formal notification that the VTC will be closing, and all clients must exit the site by **Monday, March 3, 2024. This deadline has been confirmed and will not be extended.**

Details of the closure and your shelter/housing options were also discussed during the community meeting that was held on Friday, December 20, 2024, at the site and in a follow up letter on January 16, 2025.

As a reminder, all guests are eligible for at least one of the following options, depending on your Coordinated Entry Assessment Status.

- Permanent Supportive Housing
 - For guests who are Housing Referral Status
- Vehicle Repair Assistance
 - You need to have signed up and received a vehicle repair estimate that was provided on site.
- Problem Solving and Relocation Assistance from Mission Action
 - This support is for things like helping to pay first/last month's rent or relocation assistance. Both Problem Solving and Housing Referral Status guests can access these services.
- Rapid Rehousing through Abode Services
 - This time-limited subsidy for market rate units is for Problem Solving guests that have been engaged with Abode Services.
- Placement in a Congregate Shelter bed
 - You may choose to go to a congregate shelter bed by March 3, 2025.

All guests must vacate the VTC no later than 5:00pm, Monday, March 3, 2025. On Tuesday, March 4, 2025 all vehicles that remain on site will be towed to the impound.

We know that most of you have been working diligently on your next housing opportunity. If you have not done so, please reach out to the Bayview Hunters Point Foundation Case Management team to discuss your options and ask any questions.

Thank you,

Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing



628.652.7700 hsh.sfgov.org

SCHEDULE (Form 990)

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22. Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States

▶ Go to www.irs.goviForm\$90 for the latest information. ► Attach to Form 990.

Inspection

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2019)

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S. CONTRÁCTOR	*, *, y ***				
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5, CONTRACT DATE CONTRACT WAS APPROVED BY THE CITY ELECTIVE OFFICER(5)	OMERIKAL SIO/REP HARABER	KIE NUKKEER (ij oppliable) 220793
04/26/2022		
DESCRIPTION OF AMOUNT OF CONTRACT \$353,000	,	
NATURE OF THE CONTRACT [Pieces describe]		
Purchase of shower/toilet trailers.		
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7. COMMENTS

8)) - In receipt of written confirmation of this Form's information (Contractor [Conforts of Name] and amount) with MSW. Contractor is a subcontractor that will receive the grant funds through DPM for the Vehicle Triage Grant. Confirmation letter in File.

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