CITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THIRD FLOOR, CITY HALL,
#1 CITY HALL PLACE, PUEBLO, COLORADO 81003.

MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023
5:30 PM

Individuals Requiring Special Accommodations Should Notify the City's ADA Coordinator at (719) 553-2295 by Noon on the Friday Preceding the Meeting.

Executive Committee meetings are special meetings of the City Council and are informal Council meetings for the purpose of receiving information and discussion among Council Members; no official action is taken at such meetings. The public is invited to attend, but public comment is generally not received unless otherwise noted.

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENTATIONS

A. LOBBYIST UPDATE 5:30 p.m.
Gil Romero - Lobbyist - Capitol Success Group
15 minute presentation

B. CITY UPDATES 5:45 p.m.
Laura Solano, Chief of Staff
5 minute presentation

C. ACTION 22 5:50 p.m.
Sara Blackhurst - CEO
20 minute presentation

D. ARPA - SOUTHERN COLORADO HARM REDUCTION ASSOCIATION 6:20 p.m.
Jude Solano - Founder/CEO
10 minute presentation

E. HOME - ARP ALLOCATION PLAN 6:40 p.m.
Bryan Gallagher, Director of Housing and Citizen Services
15 minute presentation

ADJOURNMENT

Jude Solano, MS, RN, ADS

Co-Founder/CEO

Southern Colorado Harm Reduction Association

SCHRA Opened in July 2017

We are a non-profit in Pueblo providing services, support, and advocacy for people experiencing life disruptions due to substance use, mental health disorders, and incarcertion. We also provide support for their loved ones and the communities affected by this epidemic.

SCHRA Is Unique
Benefits of Harm Reduction Programs

- Free Public Health Services, HIV/Hep C Testing, Vaccinations
- Housing, food access, employment and education opportunities.
- Criminal Justice involved supports.
- Overdose Prevention, Naloxone and Fentanyl Testing Strips, Syringe Service Programs
- Acudetox (Ear Acupuncture to decrease withdrawal symptoms)
- Peer Support Services to coordinate needed resources.
- Direct pathways to healthcare partners, Urgent Care and MAT*
- Family and youth support and education.

SoCo Harm Reduction Association is a non-profit serving the underserved and those affected by substance use.

Our Mission:
To provide the underserved and those suffering from negative impacts of drug use, and their loved ones, an entry point and access to evidence based harm reduction practices. And to offer compassionate support and services with the goal of helping people obtain wellness, restoration and healing.

LEAF
(LIFE EMPOWERMENT AND FULFILLMENT PROJECT) FOR UNDERSERVED YOUTH & RE-ENTERING CITIZENS

PEER RECOVERY SPECIALISTS
WHO HAVE FOUGHT TO RECOVER & WANT TO HELP OTHERS

CRAFT
(COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING) SUPPORT

ACUDETOX
EAR ACUPUNCTURE TO DECREASE ANXIETY, DEPRESSION, INSOMNIA, WITHDRAWALS, CRAVINGS

MOM
GRANT FOR PREGNANT PEOPLE TO OBTAIN NEEDED SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR A HEALTHY PREGNANCY

CLOTHING BANK

REFERRALS & EDUCATION
FOR TREATMENT, HEALTHCARE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

SYRINGE SERVICE PROGRAM

OVERDOSE PREVENTION SERVICES

WAGEES
(WORK AND GAIN EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT SKILLS) PARTNERSHIP WITH CO DEPT. OF CORRECTION AND THE LATINO COALITION

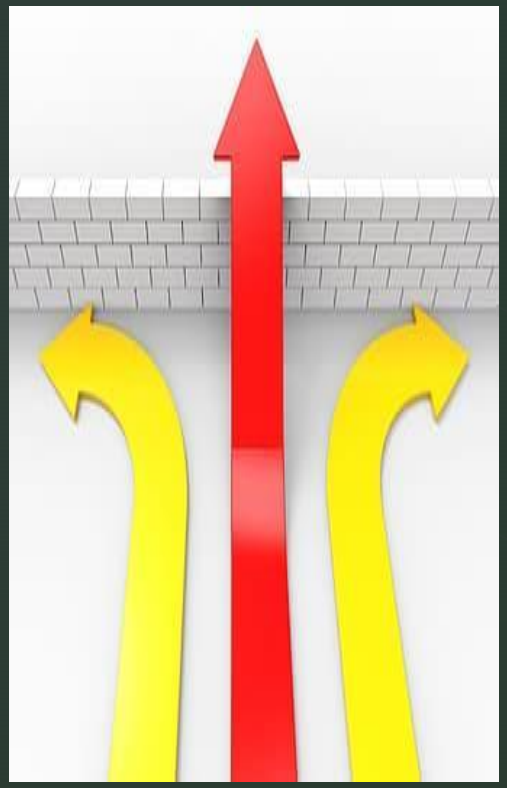
HEALTHCARE PARTNERS:
CARE ON LOCATION (URGENT CARE AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH), FRONT RANGE CLINIC (MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT), VIVENT (HIV/HEP C TESTING SERVICES)

To learn more, visit our website:
www.SoCoHarmReduction.org
or call us at 719.289.7149

WHAT ARE WE UP TO?

- 1000 Pieces of cold weather supplies; coats, gloves, hats, hand warmers, tents, sleeping bags, blankets.
- 300 Hygiene kits
- 1000 + Food packages
- 3000 pieces of clothing from our clothing bank.
- Assistance: Utility, Housing Deposit, Hotel,
- 1500 Bus Passes
- Naloxone kits and Trainings to Schools, Businesses, Providers.
- 3000 Naloxone kits, 1700 Fentanyl test strips. 50% positive
- Narcan Trainings, schools, businesses, providers.
- To Date 190,000 syringes disposed properly.

Challenges for Harm Reduction Organizations



- Full Integration as an accepted public health system
- Recognition and acceptance of our evidence based progressive and innovative strategies
- Support and joint efforts with law enforcement, local government, and the criminal justice system.
- Prison pipeline for drug use.
- Housing, Food and Employment Opportunities.

***FACT**: People are 5 times more inclined to engage with healthcare when accessing a Harm Reduction Org. People are 10 times more likely to engage in healthcare when accessing a safe consumption site.*

SCHRA is Building Capacity

Southern Colorado Harm Reduction Association (SCHRA) and other advocates and stakeholders are joining forces in support of expanding access to life-saving harm reduction services for the underserved and those affected by substance abuse at the new Bessemer Community Center at the corner of Northern and Abriendo on the Southside of Pueblo.

FIRST FLOOR (West)

GROCERY STORE (East)

SECOND FLOOR

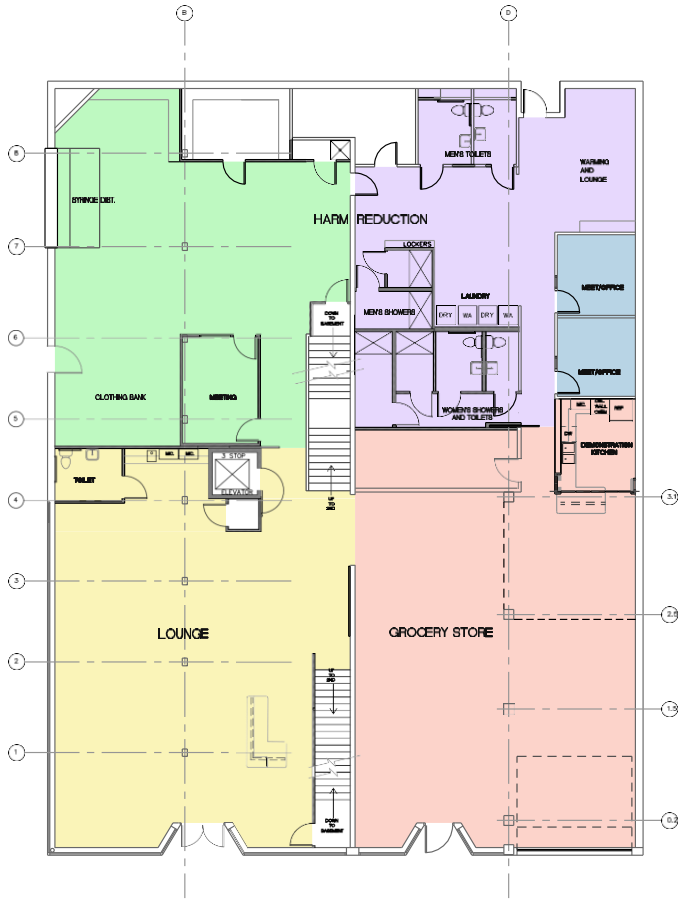
ONE WAY

ONE WAY

BESSEMER
GROCERY STORE
FOOD ACCESS
TORTILLAS.
PASTAS
& BREADS
Milk

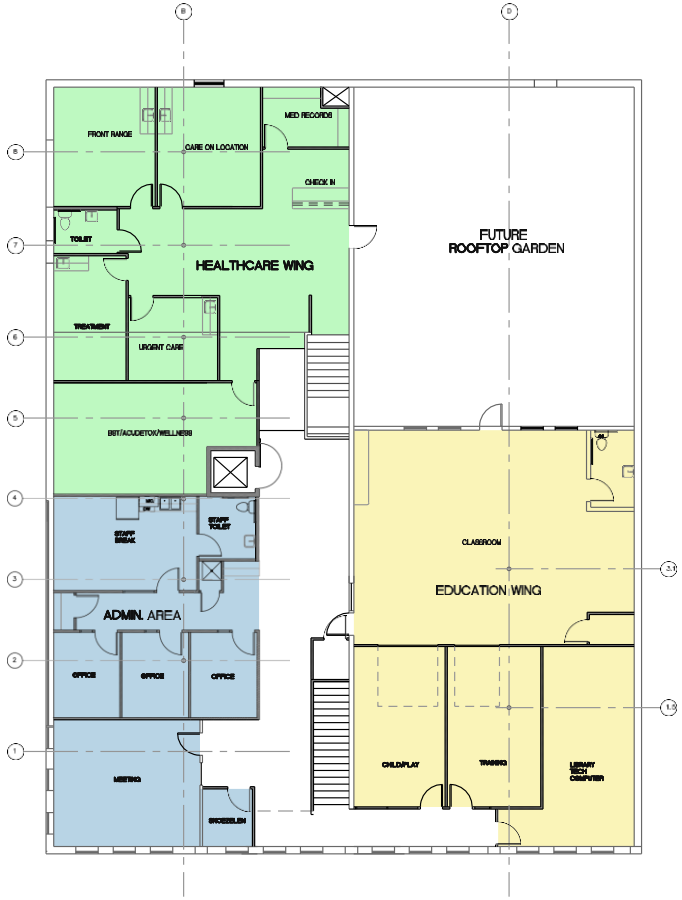
FUTURE
BESSEMER COMMUNITY CENTER

Southern Colorado Harm Reduction Association



1 NEW FIRST FLOOR PLAN
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

NORTH



2 NEW SECOND FLOOR PLAN
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

NORTH

STATE OF COLORADO
WILLIAM J. BRUMMETT
20316
LICENSED ARCHITECT

SOUTHERN COLORADO HARM REDUCTION ASSOCIATION

NEW COMMUNITY CENTER

219 West Northern Ave.
Pueblo, Coloradc

William Brummett Architects

Revisions:

Date:

Phase: CDPS

Drawing Title:
NEW FLOOR PLANS

Drawing Number:
A-1.1-R

Thank you!

Questions

Judy.Solano@socoharmreduction.org | (719) 289-7149

Proposed Home-ARP Budget

Eligible Activities	Funding Amount
Supportive Services	$ 472,740.00
Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	$ 0
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	$ 0
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	$ 2,000,000
Non-Profit Operating Expenses	$ 154,546.25
Non-Profit Capacity Building	$ 0
Administration & Planning*	$ 463,638.75
TOTAL HOME-ARP ALLOCATION	**$ 3,090,925.00**

- * Limited to 15% of total grant