

**MINUTES OF THE  
HUMAN SERVICE COMMISSION  
NEEDS ASSESSMENT HEARING  
October 29, 2012**

Council Chambers  
Lompoc City Hall  
6:30 p.m.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Barbara Holt, Chairperson  
Nemesio Balcena, Co-Chairperson  
Nicki Sandoval

**COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mike Martinez

**STAFF:**

Teresa Gallavan, Economic Development Director/Assistant City Administrator  
Chanel Navarro, Grant Records Technician  
Patricia Munoz, Grant Records Technician  
Angela Wynne, Staff Assistant

**MEMBERS IN THE AUDIENCE: 16**

**1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Holt called the Needs Assessment Hearing to order and welcomed the audience in attendance. Each Commissioner and staff introduced themselves.

Commissioner Holt reported that funding is lower this year compared to the previous year.

**2. HUMAN SERVICES GRANT ELIGIBILITY OVERVIEW**

Ms. Navarro presented a PowerPoint overview

**3. REVIEW OF REVISED HUMAN SERVICE APPLICATION QUESTIONS FOR 2013-2014**

Ms. Navarro reviewed the application and noted that some sections of the application are done in an Excel program worksheet. This was done at the request of prior applicants for ease in application completion. She also stated the Commissioners had revised some of the questions requiring more of a detailed answer from the agencies. She indicated that there were hard copies available during the Hearing, that the application is posted on the website and that staff is available for assistance.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Elizabeth Lee, Community Action Commission – thanked the Commission for their continued support and funding, reported that since the program's relocation to the Dick DeWees Community Center that clientele has increased significantly, providing approximately 90 meals daily to seniors.

Dominic Fiore, Catholic Charities Food Pantry – thanked the Commission for their support and stated that the Pantry has moved to a new location, at 325 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. He reported that the new site has more room, there is more storage, and is 'cheerier'. Mr. Fiore indicated that the program serves multiple groups, that there is more need being provided with less funding and briefly discussed the Zombie Walk fundraiser. He stated that food is the most required, requested and demanded service and that clientele has increased from 50 to 120 people daily. Mr. Fiore discussed the need for a walk-in cooler and described Food Pantry volunteers and staff as 'stellar'.

Commissioner Holt asked Mr. Fiore to explain the difference between the Food Pantry and the Foodbank of Santa Barbara County.

Mr. Fiore stated that the Food Pantry provides services to individuals whereas the Foodbank collaborates with local agencies.

Judy Monte, Foodbank of Santa Barbara County – stated that the Foodbank is more of a food 'broker', that 40-50% of the food provided is not charged to agencies and that there is a noted increase in people needing more food. She reported that 660,000 pounds of food have been provided to Lompoc residents in last year and that 40% of the clientele are children under 18 years of age.

Pat Brady, Good Samaritan – currently houses 115 clients and that the Bridgehouse provides food and meals. She expressed appreciation to the

Commission and continues to request funding. She noted that there is an increase in clientele and a decrease of funding received.

Karen Powers, North County Rape Crisis and Child Protection Center – thanked the Commission and discussed that their funding needs are still critical and that a change to social norms and underlying thought processes will be crucial in ending this violence.

Joanne Plummer, City of Lompoc Parks and Recreation Division, After School Program – stated that funding has decreased each year and that the program is maximized to its fullest potential which includes a waiting list of 100 children. Ms. Plummer explained that this program provides a safe place for children after school and that she had just met with Police Chief Ralston to discuss prevention.

Commissioner Holt asked Good Samaritan representatives the difference in meal services between the Santa Maria and Lompoc. Sylvia Bernard, Executive Director of Good Samaritan, explained that there are service groups and organizations that come into the Santa Maria shelter with food and prepare and cook the meals for the residents. At the Lompoc site, residents must sometimes travel to a local church to be fed and on other nights the agency provides the food and the shelter staff prepares and cooks the meals.

5. **READING OF RECEIVED WRITTEN TESTIMONIES**

None

6. **COMMISSIONER'S RESPONSE TO TESTIMONIES AND SUMMARY REMARKS**

Commissioner Balcena addressed the audience and discussed when he first was seated to the Commission that the funding amount to be distributed was \$163,000 and several years later the funding amount is now at \$100,000. This is a decrease of 40% in available funding. He noted that the decision to fund is becoming more difficult as all need increasing.

Commissioner Sandoval thanked all of the agencies and representatives for the work they provide to the community and acknowledged they are doing more work with less funding. She provided her email address and encouraged contact for anyone who needs additional assistance or questions or concerns.

7. **ADJOURN**

The Needs Assessment adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Wynne, Staff Assistant  
Economic and Community Development Department

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**City of Lompoc Human Service Commission  
Needs Assessment Hearing & Application Workshop  
Monday, October 29, 2012  
SIGN-IN SHEET**

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3	Faithful Apostolic Church	Stefanie Gray	588-8799	Stefaniegray2@yahoo.com
4	FAITHFUL APOSTOLIC Church	Joy Cooley	736-7823	jcooley110@comcast.net
5	Community Action Commission	Elizabeth Lee	964-8857 <sup>160</sup>	elee@cacsb.com
6	N. County Rape Crisis	Karin Powers	736-8535	Karinpowers@verizon.net
7	Foodbank	Judi Monte	937-3422x106	jmonte@foodbanksbc.org
8	Lompoc Food Pantry/CATHOLIC CHARITIES	DOMENIC FIORE	291-0831	DOMFIORE@HOTMAIL.COM
9	Parks + Recreation	JoAnne Plummer	875 8097	J-Plummer@ci.lompoc.ca.us
10	<del>Sylvia Lazos</del>			
11	SB County Victim Witness	Sylvia Lazos	737-7910	slazos@co.santa-barbara.ca.us
12	<del>Steve McDowell</del> LUCTO	Steve McDowell	714-9524	mcowell@LVCTO.org
13	<del>Anita Baumgardner</del>			
14	People Safe Help Housing	Anita Baumgardner	741-7106	famburnie@gmail.com
15	Good Samaritan Shelter	Sylvia Barnard	331 0877	goodsamshelter@gmail.com
16	Pat Brady Good Sam	Pat Brady	698-1174	lompocgoodsam.admin@gmail.com
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## Public Needs Assessment Meeting

Date: Monday, October 29, 2012

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: City of Lompoc Council Chambers  
100 Civic Center Plaza  
Lompoc, CA 93436

\*Download Application at [www.cityoflompop.com](http://www.cityoflompop.com)

\*Application Deadline is Friday, December 14, 2012

Agencies that wish to apply for the funding are encouraged to attend. Questions, please call 875-8279.