In recognition of this report coming from unceded Ohlone territory, we are listening to

REALITY CHECK: COVID-19 & CURBSIDE COMMUNITIES

Report by Oakland’s Unsheltered -Left to Fend for Themselves

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- Ale del Pinal, founder of Punks with Lunch, an organization that provides meals and harm reduction supplies in West Oakland curbside communities.
- Vera Sloan, Community Advocate with curbside/unhoused residents.
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- EmilyRose Johns, civil rights attorney defending unhoused individuals in the east bay and member of the National Lawyers Guild.
Help your neighbors wash their hands
by building a community DIY handwashing station

GET YOUR SUPPLIES.
1. Two 5-gallon buckets (with lids)
2. Foot pump or bulb siphon pump
3. 8 feet of hose
4. “Sink” (just a popcorn or salad bowl)
5. “Faucet” (something to hold the hookup)
6. Base (to stabilize your creation)

Prepare the clean bucket.
Make a hole somewhere near the top of your clean bucket that is slightly larger than the diameter of your hose.

Prepare the base.
Screw in the pump & set wooden buckets to hold them in place.

Set up the faucet.
Find a creative way to fasten the hose high enough above the sink to wash your hands and store your soap.

Set up the sink.
Fasten your bowl to the top of your creation. Then drill a hole for water to drain from the sink down into the dirty bucket.

Rig up the hose.
One piece goes from pump output up to the desired height of the faucet. One piece goes from pump intake to the bottom of the clean bucket.

Follow our campaign at http://skidrowpower.com/handwashing

Drop it off at LACAN at 838 E 6th St, LA

The Los Angeles Community Action Network will receive your creation and restock it with soap & water (we used a bottle from Goodwill).
Following the CDC’s guidelines is recommended, but...

how do you wash your hands...
  when you don’t have a sink?

how do you stay in bed and rest...
  when the cops take your tent?

how do you get medical care...
  when you don’t have insurance?

the most vulnerable among our community are being swept away... again.

THE ECONOMIC INJUSTICE OF EPIDEMICS
PARÁ QUEDARSE EN CASA

HAY QUE TENER UNA
THIS IS A HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE
DEFEND HOMELESS PEOPLE
AGAINST COVID-19

HOTELS
NOT HOSPITAL BEDS
CDC guidelines are meaningless when we have abandoned the poorest among us.

WE’RE ALL IN THIS TENT TOGETHER

Stay home when you are sick.
Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue.
Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects.
Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
Urgent Action Needed

Now more than ever, housing is health care

Email, call, tweet or Facebook your federal and state lawmakers
Q&A

Please type your question into the chat. The hosts will then share it. Please include your name, location, and affiliation.

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Emergency Housing Needed NOW!

Alameda County and the City of Oakland have millions of dollars in emergency funds available for COVID-19 relief efforts.

Yet they have NOT provided the emergency housing needed for the thousands of homeless residents residing in our communities.

Without emergency housing, homeless residents of Oakland, 70% of whom are Black, will be at even higher risk of dying from COVID-19.

This is a grave racial and economic injustice.

It is also a grave health risk to every person in the county.

Tell the Mayor, The Oakland City Council, and the Alameda County Board of Supervisors:

Do whatever it takes to house every homeless resident now!

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