

# Survival & Dignity for the Unhoused Health Protection for the Rest of Us Stop the Sweeps!

**City Attorney Tony Condotti and City Manager Huffaker** are spending City money on the planned July Dispersal of the San Lorenzo Survival Camps while simultaneously claiming the crowded camp is a “sanctioned” area to which they can force people to go on pain of jail.

Huffaker’s priorities violate the spirit of the *Martin v. Boise* federal court ruling (“no citations without shelter options”) as well as the federal health CDC guidelines as the COVID spreads.

Two harsh anti-homeless laws were rubberstamped by Mayor Donna Myers’ City Council—without input from the homeless victims or service providers—primarily as a police tool to ignore the *Martin v. Boise* decision. They renew the harsh Sleeping Ban.

This dispersal-without-appeal policy is **costly and fails to use existing state and federal funding** to mitigate conditions in San Lorenzo Park and/or provide more Project Roomkey-style safe sanctuary hotel rooms. Money could be transferred from dangerous, wasteful, & police whack-a-mole policies, but that’s not being discussed.

Community activists and neighbors through direct **peaceful but forceful action** successfully stopped SCPD evictions in San Lorenzo Park in December 2020 & protected Riverside Ave. RV dwellers in the weeks that followed. Direct Action has also defended the daily *Food Not Bombs* meals threatened with City removal.

Some community members may be mobilizing to set up alternate camping zones and support the Benchlands residents.. **Sign up to get news** & support immediate solutions.

Endorse Stop the Sweeps if you oppose the destruction and removal of homeless survival camps. No relocation unless & until there are alternate safe facilities provided.

If you oppose this counterproductive and unhealthy use of police force against those most vulnerable, speak out. Also support *Sanitation for the People*, *Stop the Sweeps*, *Food Not Bombs*, *the Santa Cruz Homeless Union*, *Footbridge Services*, *HUFF*, and those opposing cruel and crazy city policies likely to intensify in the weeks ahead

