

Public Comment: Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing

A few comments. FYI, I ran a 501c3 Homeless Center years ago- Reno's first 24-7-365 facility and I ran the Reno Police Homeless Program and have been involved ever since and even toured the SW looking at options.

First, please face reality and be aware of the current administration position on homelessness and Executive Orders. That includes: "Takes Action to End Crime and Disorder on America's Streets, The White House, July 24, 2025. That includes "... remove vagrant individuals from our streets, redirecting federal resources toward programs that tackle substance abuse and returning to the acute necessity of civil commitment." And "... prioritize grants for states and municipalities that enforce prohibitions on open illicit drug use, urban camping and loitering, ... "

In my opinion they nail it when they say: "The overwhelming majority of these individuals are addicted to drugs, have a mental health disorder, or both."

Moving on: I point out that the so called "2026 Annual Nevada Statewide Conference on Addressing Homelessness." In fact declined to allow alternative and opposing ideas and proposals. Put simply, consistent with above, it's not housing nor is it jobs; it is mental illness and addiction and a humane society does not ignore those in need.

To see some opposing views I suggest you look at a well backed concept, "[Sunbreak Ranch](#)" in San Diego. Likewise you may want to look at [RenoTaxRevolt.com](#) or [HomelessSolutionsUSA.org](#) .

Homelessness to Housing is accomplished via addressing mental illness and addiction. I'd love to present at one of your meetings.

Sincerely,

Jeff Church