

South Beach / Rincon / Mission Bay Neighborhood Association Meeting Monday April 10, 2023

MINUTES

6:00PM-7:00 PM

HYBRID (IN-PERSON + ZOOM)

ATTENDEES	4 Officers, 2 Directors, 15 residents
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[NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 5/8/23](#)

TOPIC	A Presentation of "My Own Lock & Key" Supportive Housing Program
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- **WELCOME + INTRODUCTIONS** (Alice Rogers)
- **A Presentation of "My Own Lock & Key" Supportive Housing Program**
Alex Tourk, a soon-to-be resident of Rincon, came to San Francisco 29 years ago with an interest of getting into local politics (in the State Assembly, worked for Mayor's Brown and Newsom). Alex became the 'point person' in charge of Homelessness under Mayor Newsom. Project Homeless Connect was created. This was a very successful program while it lasted. Yet Homelessness continued. In 2007, Alex left politics to start his own business in Public Affairs representing such organizations such as Glide, St. Vincent DePaul, and more. Currently there are 550,000 homeless in the US, and 25% live in California. Alex did some research and found that the City owns 1,700 parcels of land, and the religious community owns 801 parcels of land in San Francisco. So we have land, and the City has money (a \$14B budget).

A Permanent Unit of Supportive Housing takes 3-5 years to build and costs about \$750,000 per unit, whereas a Modular Unit costs about \$50,000 to build, takes weeks or months to build, and they are movable. We have the technology and a bevy of supportive services, but what we lack is will. We cannot rely on local government to solve this challenge. The only way to move the needle is to come together and organize, thus the creation of the "My Own Lock & Key" program. Alex recognizes that this is not the only solution. We need more of everything: Navigation Centers, Permanent Housing, Congregate Housing, improved SRO's. Mayor Breed is bringing back the "[Homeward Bound](#)" program first introduced by Mayor Newsom.

Alex's goal is to host 500 events in San Francisco (minimum 20 people per event) to discuss this program, get them motivated, and organized. He's hoping to find 50 vacant sites throughout all parts of San Francisco, housing 40-50 people per site in Modular Units.

Followed by Q&A.

For more information, visit their website at <https://myownlockandkey.org/>

To view the Zoom recording of this meeting, click [HERE](#).

Passcode: 9ev0S2.t (Meeting begins at 3:03 time stamp)

The Neighborhood Association wishes to thank Cloudflare for hosting tonight's meeting, donating their conference room, providing snacks, and helping to facilitate the Zoom call.

Next Meeting: Monday May 8th. Details to follow.