



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
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Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
26.		Favor	Ana R Arias	
			Dorothy Wong	
			Hector Ramirez	
			Melody Taylor Stark	
		Oppose	Monisha Parker	<p>Dear Supervisor Barger,</p> <p>I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to propose a comprehensive plan for establishing emergency climate shelters in Los Angeles County in response to the increasing frequency of extreme weather events and climate crises we face. The goal of this initiative is to create a multi-faceted approach that weaves together the strengths of various stakeholders, including government agencies, non-profit organizations, community activists, and private sector partners.</p> <p>1. Assessment of Needs To begin, it is crucial to gather detailed historical weather data to understand the patterns and impact of winter storms, heat waves, and other climate-related crises. We can also implement vulnerability mapping to identify the communities most at risk, particularly the elderly, homeless populations, and low-income individuals.</p> <p>2. Community Engagement Active involvement from the community is essential. I recommend convening stakeholder meetings where local leaders and residents can express their needs and capabilities. Furthermore, we should launch education and awareness campaigns to inform the public about potential weather crises and the available resources for emergency shelters.</p> <p>3. Site Selection and Infrastructure Identifying existing facilities, such as schools, community centers, and churches, that can be converted into shelters will allow for rapid deployment. It is important that these sites are accessible via public transportation and fully compliant with ADA requirements.</p> <p>4. Partnerships and Resources Collaboration with government agencies, NGOs, and private sector stakeholders will be vital for securing the necessary funding and resources. We should actively pursue grants, donations, and sponsorships to support operational costs, equipment, and utilities.</p> <p>5. Shelter Design and Amenities Our shelters must prioritize comfort and safety, equipped with adequate</p>



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			<p>heating, cooling, sanitation facilities, and basic medical amenities. Providing essential supplies like food, water, bedding, and hygiene products will be critical to ensure the well-being of shelter occupants.</p> <p>6. Staffing and Volunteer Management Recruiting and training staff and volunteers will be essential for effective shelter management. Comprehensive training in emergency response, first aid, and mental health support is critical to creating a safe environment for residents.</p> <p>7. Emergency Procedures and Protocols Establishing clear operational guidelines is key. This includes intake procedures, emergency responses, and health protocols. We should also engage in scenario planning to prepare for various emergencies that may arise.</p> <p>8. Communication Strategy Developing a robust communication plan will ensure community members are informed about shelter locations, services, and eligibility. Utilizing technology, such as social media and local news outlets, will help disseminate this vital information effectively.</p> <p>9. Monitoring and Evaluation It is important to create a feedback mechanism for shelter users so that we can continuously improve our services. Regular evaluations of shelter performance will allow us to make necessary adjustments in real-time.</p> <p>10. Sustainability and Long-Term Planning Finally, as we move forward, advocating for permanent supportive housing solutions alongside these emergency shelters will be essential. Collaborating with local government on long-term climate resilience strategies will further enhance our emergency response framework.</p> <p>By implementing this plan, Los Angeles County can significantly improve its preparedness and responsiveness to climate-related emergencies while protecting our residents during extreme weather events. Collaboration, proactive planning, and community engagement are paramount to the success of this initiative.</p> <p>I appreciate your attention to this pressing issue and look forward to your support in making Los Angeles County a safer place for all. Warm regards, Monisha Parker</p>
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