



Please join Women For: Orange County at our next monthly online meeting

The Intersection of Homelessness, Mental Health, and Law Enforcement

Monday, November 16, 2020

1:50 pm Join

2:00 pm - Zoom Panel Discussion

2:30 pm - Q & A

Orange County can end homelessness. We have the land and the money; all we need is the political will to do it. Low income seniors and people with disabilities are among the fastest growing and most vulnerable populations today. Individuals on our streets are often criminalized and fall into a gap in our justice system.

Providing housing for seniors, veterans, those living with a mental illness, families in need and anyone who is experiencing housing insecurity will transform lives and strengthen communities. Every human being has the right to live with dignity and independence.

The following panelist will discuss the current state, and intersection, of homelessness, mental health, and law enforcement in Orange County.

Brooke Weitzman, Co-Founder and Directing Attorney of the ELDR Center. The Elder Law and Disability Rights Center (ELDR Center) is working to close the justice gap by providing free and low-cost legal services and successfully litigating in Federal Court to protect the civil rights of people experiencing homelessness in Orange County.

Pat Davis, Founding Member and Facilitator of Housing Is a Human Right, Orange County (HHROC). HHROC is a coalition of organizations and volunteers working together to achieve supportive, affordable, and permanent housing for individuals in Orange County. With the People's Homeless Task Force OC, Pat participated in the Riverbed Eviction litigation to address the rights of the unhoused who are disabled.

Kimberly Adams, Manager of the Housing Advocacy Program for OC United Way's United to End Homelessness. The Program has a network of volunteers and organizations who have gained approval for housing developments in cities across Orange County. Kimberly recruits, trains, and mobilizes volunteers to advocate at the local level for permanent, supportive, and affordable housing for the unhoused and those living in unstable housing conditions.

Maura Mikulec, Co-Founder and leader of South County Homeless Task Force. Maura has a Masters in Social Work and a combined 12 years working in the medical, mental health and protective services fields providing counseling and case management for diverse populations. She is currently a volunteer street outreach worker and advocate for people experiencing homelessness.

After the presentation there will be a brief question and answer period.

Join **Zoom Panel Discussion**

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