

Solutions to vehicle homelessness

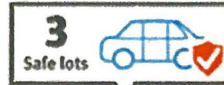
Seattle has had two efforts since 2016 to address a high number of people sleeping in their vehicles. Neither has been as successful as long-running programs in San Diego and Santa Barbara, yet cost more.



SEATTLE'S CURRENT SAFE ZONE

Yearly operational cost:	\$63,600*
Vehicle capacity:	12 spaces
Cost per space:	\$5,300
Run 24/7 by:	City of Seattle
Started:	Winter of 2016
RVs:	Allowed
Exits into housing:	6% (2018 to date)

Does not have consistent on-site services or security.



SAN DIEGO'S SAFE LOTS

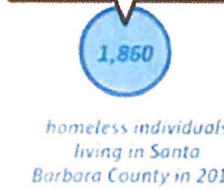
Yearly operational cost:	\$436,000
Vehicle capacity:	150 spaces
Cost per space:	\$2,907
Run overnight by:	Nonprofit
Started:	2010
RVs:	Not allowed
Exits into housing:	43% on average



SEATTLE'S PREVIOUS SAFE LOT

Yearly operational cost:	\$420,000*
Vehicle capacity:	25 spaces
Cost per space:	\$16,800
Run 24/7 by:	City of Seattle
Started:	January-June 2016
RVs:	Allowed
Exits into housing:	11.5%

The lot closed after the city deemed it too expensive.



SANTA BARBARA'S SAFE LOTS

Yearly operational cost:	\$400,000
Vehicle capacity:	133 spaces
Cost per space:	\$3,008
Overnight/RV day lots run by:	Nonprofit
Started:	2004
RVs:	Allowed
Exits into housing:	22% (2015-16)

Santa Barbara has 24 overnight lots and 3 daytime lots (2 lots function as both).

*Annualized cost by monthly average

Sources: city of Seattle, Dreams for Change, New Beginnings Counseling Center, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development EMILY M. ENG / THE SEATTLE TIMES

SAN JOSE'S PROPOSED SAFE PARKING PILOT

YEARLY COST \$250,000.

VEHICLE CAPACITY START 10 - SCALE UP TO 25

AVERAGE COST PER SPACE FOR 1ST YEAR: \$16,000.



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Dear City of San Jose Council members,

We are a faith based organization that collaborates with Casa de Clara and Hope Village to assist the homeless in San Jose.

The long-term viability of Hope Village is being threatened. Hope Village has shown the greater San Jose community that an organized, structured encampment can be an important element in addressing the serious human rights problem of homelessness in the greater San Jose community. I strongly urge you to support and advocate for modification to of the existing lease between the City and County for the Hope Village location. The current lease terms pushed by the City, place a limit of 14 residents for just 6 months. For Hope Village to fulfill its role as a model that can be replicated it must be allowed to expand to 30 people and continue operating after 6 months.

On Tuesday October 16th the Board of Supervisors will instruct staff to renegotiate the terms of the lease. The City needs to agree to modify the lease to conform with the County's request. I wholeheartedly endorse the modifications to allow 30 residents for a period of 18 months.

We are deeply concerned about what the City has done to the homeless and the faith-based organizations and we will continue to speak up about these issues. Thank you for reading this letter and I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

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