

The SoMa RISE Center

1076 Howard Street

February 3rd, 2022
Community Meeting



City & County of San Francisco
SoMa RISE Center

Meeting Mechanics

- Everyone is muted until the Q&A session.
- Please use the Q&A function in Zoom to:
 - Provide comment
 - Ask for help with connection issues

Today's Speakers

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Substance Use Disorder Services
Department of Public Health



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President & CEO
HealthRIGHT 360



Agenda

1. SoMa RISE Project Update
2. SoMa RISE Programming Overview
3. Q&A



Background

In response to San Francisco's urgent need to help persons experiencing substance use crises on the streets, the Department of Public Health proposes to:

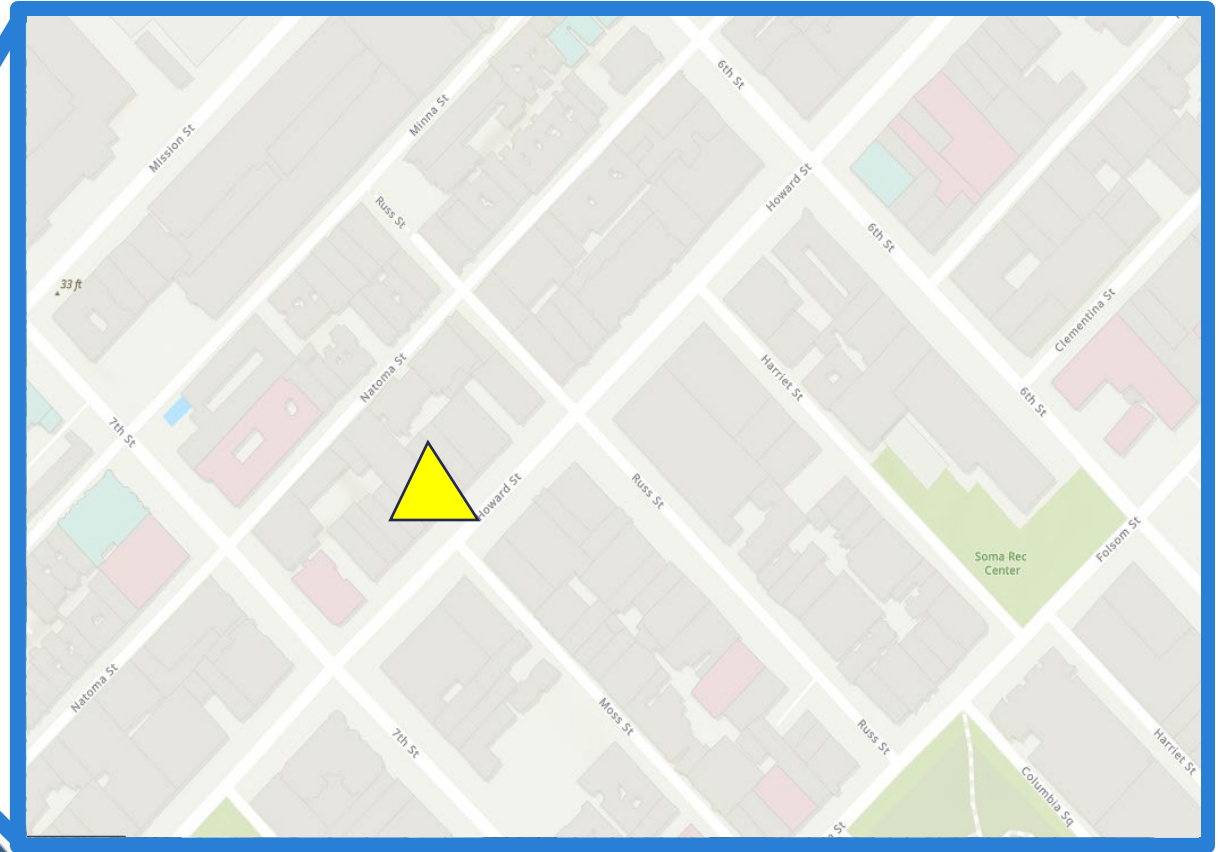
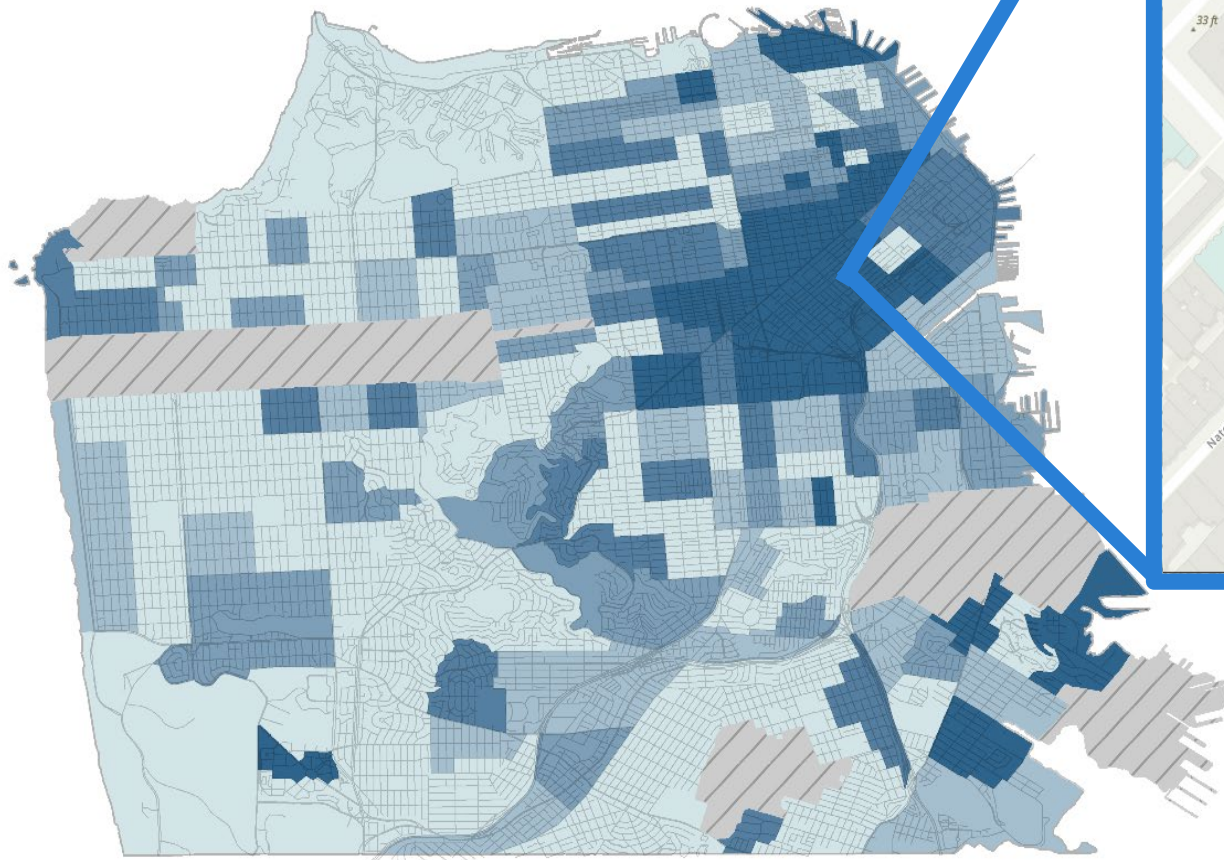
Create a trauma-informed sobering site with integrated harm reduction services for individuals who are under the influence of methamphetamine and other substances.



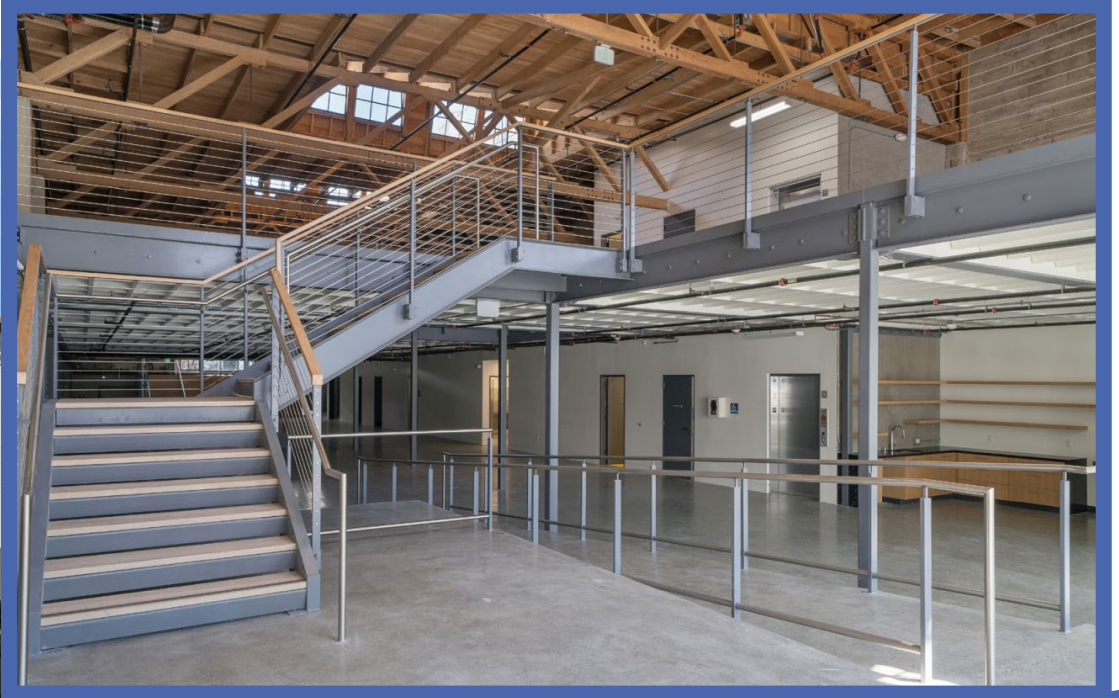
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Serving SoMa and the Tenderloin



Site 1076 Howard Street



The SoMa RISE Center

The Sobering Center will be open 24/7 to support individuals who are intoxicated on drugs.

- Serves SoMa & Tenderloin
- Drop-ins and referrals (e.g. Street Crisis Response Team)
- Safe, welcoming, respectful



David L. Murphy Sobering Center in Los Angeles



Roaming Market Street

- Rebecca (26) is in crisis on Market St.
- She lives in a nearby encampment
- Passerby calls 911, who notifies the Street Crisis Response Team
- SCRT engages Rebecca and brings her to the Drug Sobering Center
- She is welcomed and offered a place to rest, eat and shower





Key Facts:

**15,000 Clients in San Francisco and
49,000 Californians Served Annually**



SoMa RISE Program Offerings



Respect and compassion



Preliminary medical care and triage



Indoor calm space with beds and chairs



Hydration, snacks, and meals



Clothes and hygiene kits



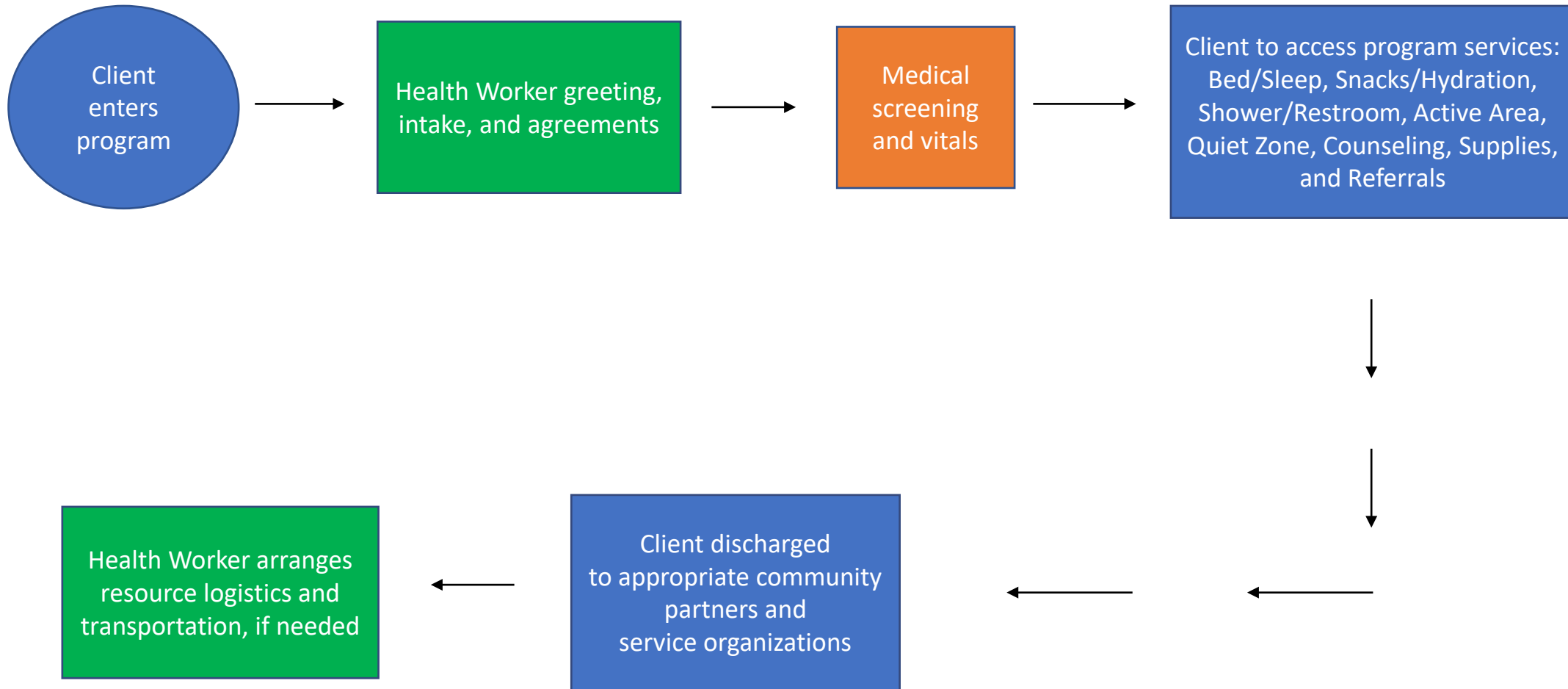
Bathrooms and showers



Linkages to services including substance use disorder treatment, housing assessments, primary care, and dental



Client Experience Start to Finish



Physical and Emotional Safety



Trauma-Informed System of Care

- Responsive to impact of trauma on participants, staff, and the community
- Trauma-Informed Environment

Trained Staff

- Trained in customer service, crisis de-escalation, non-violent communication, and harm reduction
- Connecting people to care and harm reduction supplies at the center
- Training all staff on overdose reversals (including non-clinical staff)

Safety Workers

- Will monitor building for safety, oversee admissions and discharges, and support with individual client attention/health engagement

COVID-19 Safety

- Connect people to testing, vaccines, and shelter



Community Feedback

→ Community meetings on April 21, April 27, May 26, 2021, emails to SFDPH. Concerns expressed by neighborhood include:

1. Does the program serve people in this neighborhood?
2. Do clients have a place to go after they leave the program?
3. How will you keep the street safe and clean?
4. How will you measure the success of this program?



Questions and Comments

Website: sf.gov/soma-rise-center

Contact information:

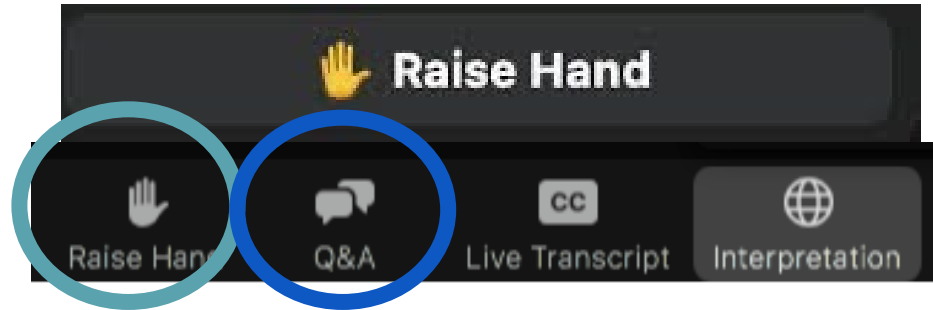
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Question and Answer Process



- We will take questions submitted through the Q&A feature first. To ask a written question, click Q&A to type in your question. Once the written questions are answered, we will move on to oral questions.
- If you wish to ask a question orally, use the raise hand icon at the bottom of your screen. When called on, you will have 1 minute to ask your question.