**True Hope Village: Community Advisory Committee Meeting Notes**

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| CAC Name: | True Hope Village |
| Date: | 12/16 |
| Meeting Location: | New Hope Missionary Baptist Church |
| CAC members present: | Natalie Bicknell, Bernadette Creaven, Jenifer Haner, Ursula White-Oliver |
| LIHI members present: | Linda, Rebecca Finkes |
| City of Seattle staff present: | PD Officer Corey George |
| Members of the public present: | n/a |
| True Hope residents present: | n/a |
| Note taker: | Natalie Bicknell |

**Introductions**

**Discussing and approving last month’s notes**

**Village management report** - There are approximately 40 residents currently at True Hope. Things have been going smoothly at the village. 5 families have been awarded housing vouchers and are being moved into permanent housing, and it is possible that more residents will be awarded vouchers in the future.

The need for storage space to hold non-seasonal donations was mentioned by LIHI staff. Unfortunately the current tiny house that is used for storage gets moldy if the heat is turned off. It was suggested that the Village management reach out to Langston Hughes staff about the possibility of using a closet for storage.

**Case management report** - Officer George reported that there have been no police calls from True Hope since this October and that crime statistics in the area have remained consistent, except for a slight uptick in car break-ins. Jenifer H. reported that the parking lot has not had any problems in terms of noise or abandoned vehicles for some time.

**Open discussion -** CAC members asked about holiday plans at True Hope and were informed that there would be a cookie decorating ceremony on 12/20. Inquiries were also made about donations, since last year there was a holiday wish list organized, in which donors could give gifts that residents requested. While this has not been planned for the Christmas season, it was suggested that it could occur at any time and that it could be a good way to help ensure that donations meet residents’ needs. Additionally, blankets and sweaters were cited as the most requested items that residents currently need.

*Next CAC meeting:*  The date of the next meeting has not been scheduled.