

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am writing to protest and share my concerns regarding the homeless housing project that was approved for the Topanga Apartments. As a Porter Ranch resident, and a parent of a child who attends Monarch Christian School (located 1/2 mile from the planned project), I am frustrated and appalled by this planned project. The homeless epidemic in the area has gotten out of hand. I have driven down streets in the area, such as Balboa Blvd, and witnessed dangerous homeless people getting in fights, as well as doing drugs. I don't want to be exposed to these types of activities, and I especially don't want my children to witness any of it. I don't understand why we would spend so much money to house people, many of which, whom don't want to get better, and some who don't even want the help. Family neighborhoods and areas around schools should not be home to homeless people. We live in what was once a nice, upper to middle class neighborhood, and with one project, the neighborhood will go down. It is one thing to help someone down on their luck, looking to get a job and their life back, it is quite another to give handouts to bums. There are honest families, barely making ends meet, but you'd rather help some lowlife, and give them a free handout and an expensive roof over their heads, which they may or may not appreciate and use!? Do you care about the youth and children in the area? Would you rather house homeless people, and put children's safety and health at risk. With all of the disease that has come about downtown, you are potentially exposing all of the neighborhood to new health risks. And at that, you are inviting even more homeless people and potential risks our way. This project CANNOT happen! If you want to do something for them, plan for a less expensive project in a less populated area!