Dear Mitch,

Thank you for introducing the motion to explore the feasibility of purchasing and repurposing the soon to close St Vincent Medical Center as a place to house the homeless in Los Angeles. This is a brilliant example of how Los Angeles as a city can move swiftly to provide shelter for a significant number of people currently experiencing homelessness.

You can count on my support as you move this project forward.

Sincerely,

Holly Hampton | 310.497.4239 | studioechopark@gmail.com
Homeless in Echo Park
1 message

Lois Thompson <loisdthompson@me.com> Sun, Jan 26, 2020 at 5:16 PM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

I recently wrote to you to support the conversion of St. Vincent Medical Center into housing and a support center for the homeless.

I similarly support using a city owned parking lot in the area of Echo Park park as a location for shelter and services for the homeless. I also support developing housing and a service site for the homeless on the city owned land that currently is used as a basketball court and for other recreational activities about which you recently received substantial and I believe unwarranted push back.

What I do NOT support is encampments of homeless around Echo Park lake. Rather, I believe that the ordinances forbidding sleeping/use of the park between 10:30 pm and 5:30 am should be enforced. I fully understand that the poor souls who are encamped there need a place to pitch their tents and roll out their sleeping bags but the city spent millions of dollars to restore that park and this is a city with far too little park land. Frankly, although many have not been deterred from using the park by virtue of the presence of so many homeless folks in the park, I have been, and I am sure I am not alone. (I also wonder why "my" park has so many homeless and the area around Silver Lake, where I now walk, has none.....) I therefore am also concerned that current efforts to have the restrooms open all night and to bring in portable showers while well-motivated really ratify the change of the area from park to a quasi permanent encampment (or as my husband calls it Hooverville — which shows our age) that is likely to attract even more homeless. I urge you to move forward with other solutions for the Echo Park lake homeless, and I will support them, as noted above, but please help give park users their full park back.

Lois Thompson
Conversion off St. Vincent Medical Center into Housing and Support Service Location for the Homeless
1 message

Lois Thompson <loisdthompson@me.com>  Sun, Jan 26, 2020 at 5:05 PM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

I am a resident of Echo Park. I strongly support the proposal to convert St. Vincent Medical Center into housing and a support services location for the homeless.

Lois Thompson
Dear Mitch,

Count me in! I completely support using St. Vincent Hospital into housing for our un-housed neighbors!

Dorit Dowler-Guerrero
Repurposing St Vincent’s is a brilliant idea...with all that space there would be such opportunity to get offer services.
Thank you for your efforts to help our homeless stakeholders.
Anna and Joe Keeper
Hello Mitch,

I wanted you to know that I think repurposing the hospital is an excellent idea and I hope you can make it a reality.

Also - I'm having a huge problem. My dear friend Shirley is an 82 year old lady, who had a stroke last June and has been in and out of hospitals and nursing homes. One place in particular Lakeview Terrace, is a substandard nursing home, with a bad reputation and has been sued several times. Shirley was taken there from St Vincent hospital, against her will and without my knowledge (I have been Shirley's caregiver for 5 years and have POA.) She was discharged from the hospital, by a discharge planned named Cynthia, who knew I did not want Shirley to go there - but sent her there anyway.

Shirley, after being there for a few days was attacked by a known violent Mental patient, and when I intervened - I too was attacked. I called LAPD, The insurance company, the Ombudsman's office, and a bunch of other places, but I'm not being taken seriously. The facility is trying to hush it up, but the trauma of this experience has affected Shirley so badly, I fear for her mental state as well as for her physical safety. She has been so badly abused, she has to be sedated to stop her from screaming. She is now in another facility, but a few days ago, I found massive bruises around her neck and chest, and I am about to lose my mind...

The past few months have been so traumatic for us.. I need help..Please,

sincerely,
Ellie
323 841 1841
St. Vincent
1 message

Tricia Bryan <trishydread@aol.com>  Sun, Jan 26, 2020 at 10:08 AM
Reply-To: Tricia Bryan <trishydread@aol.com>
To: "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Councilmen,

I am in support of re-purposing St. Vincent into a project to address homelessness in our city. As this neighborhood slowly gentrifies there will be a greater need for a place like this for displaced people in that community. Please don't allow another luxury retail/apartment space to further exacerbate the problem of unaffordable housing. St. Vincent is centrally located and not far from homeless camps in Filipinotown, DTLA, and Hollywood. The fact that it has facilities to provide medical services makes it a great solution to this growing problem.

Let's get this one right, please.

Tricia Bryan
Support repurposing St Vincent Center

SaraJane Thies  
1100 W Huntington Dr #2  
Arcadia, CA 91007  
323-273-6745

Sun, Jan 26, 2020 at 10:05 AM

councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Councilmember O’Farrell,

I am writing in support of the idea to imagine a new purpose for the centrally located and well-resourced property that is currently the site of St. Vincent Medical Center.

In the wake of the unprecedented humanitarian crisis that this county faces with respect to increasing homelessness and the plight of people suffering from untreated mental illness and substance abuse, the fact that our local leaders are contemplating the purchase of this property provides a reason for hope.

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To have this property shuttered, with a fence around its perimeter, in a neighborhood that will suffer for lack of human activity and the blight that will result would be a shame.

I encourage you and all our elected officials in the city, county and our state representatives as well to link arms and find a way to make something amazing happen.

As a member of St James Episcopal Church in Korea town for over 50 years, we dare to believe our city can move expeditiously to aide the unhoused urgently in need of supportive care now. I stand ready to support in any way.
Hi Councilman O'Farrell,
We support your motion to repurpose St. Vincent’s Medical Center to become a multi-service center for the homeless. Please look into it.
Thank you,
Nicole Revere and Jason Ross
5725 Green Oak Dr
LA, CA 90068
I love your idea, it would be such a great legacy for St. Vincent's Hospital to be turned into something so positive and helpful for a huge amount of people.
Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

We are devastated by the crass decimation of St. Vincent's by a hedge fund. Our United Healthcare insurance is anchored in its St. Vincent's Medical Group and I had surgery there in 2017. As Catholics, we are proud of the 150+ years of this institution founded by the Daughters of Charity, the first hospital accredited in California by the American College of Surgeons, and the first hospital to do open heart surgery on the West Coast.

We believe re-configuring it to serve the homeless with wrap-around substance use, mental health, medical health, and transitional and permanent housing would honor the intent of the Daughters who sought to serve those in need.

We support this effort whether by the City of Los Angeles, the County of Los Angeles which is exploring similar options, or some joint authority of the two. Please do whatever is necessary to realize this unique opportunity to help address our massive homeless crisis!

It was a pleasure to speak with you at the Whole Child opening in Echo Park!

Cordially,

Jane Nachazel-Ruck and Ronald Ruck
1846 Effie Street
Los Angeles CA 90026-1712
213.484.9778
Count 2 votes for this project

Cindy duhaime londberg

Robert londberg

Get Outlook for Android
Dear Mr O'Farrell

Please continue to pursue exploring the use of St Vincent's as a partial solution to our extremely serious homeless problem. It would be criminal to allow this building to sit fallow when it could be providing homes with privacy and shelter to people who are currently living in the streets in tents.

I have limited mobility but I do still drive if there is anything that I can do to help you facilitate this undertaking please email me. Thank you.

Regards

Judi Olmstead
939 Robinson St
Los Angeles, VS 90026
Yes to St Luke's Purchasing and Repurposing

Kate Cress <kress@stjla.org>
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 5:44 PM

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

As the priest of a large Episcopal church, St. James in-the-City in Koreatown, I am strongly supportive of your idea to purchase and repurpose St. Luke's!! We have many friends and parishioners here in our neighborhood who are unhoused, and not mentally stable enough even for permanent supportive housing. They need deeper help, the kind of help and safety that I believe St. Luke's could be designed to supply. This is such an excellent, groundbreaking and needed idea. Please know you can count on my strong support.

Sincerely,
The Rev. Dr. Kate Cress
Rector, St. James' in-the-City
3903 Wilshire Blvd.
I am writing in support of the idea to imagine a new purpose for the centrally located and well-resourced property that is currently the site of St. Vincent Medical Center.

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I encourage you and all our elected officials in the city, county and our state representatives as well to link arms and find a way to make something amazing happen.

Thank you.

Best Regards,

Diana Buckhantz
Los Angeles CA 90004
Excellent idea, esp if that hosp was going to close anyway. Perfect use for the facility. Do it. LA is turning into sections of India and Brazil.
Dale Runge <dkrunge@dsixtreme.com>  Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 3:21 PM
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Mitch:
I support the concept. The initial cost and the annual maintenance, staffing, payroll, retirement pay etc. needs to be itemized so that we don't end up with a white elephant

Dale
Hello Mitch O'Farrell!

I live in Echo Park and am a homeowner here, I, like many other homeowners here believe strongly that we need to house our unhoused neighbors here in Echo Park. I strongly believe that building housing is the most logical answer to this issue. I am sad and disheartened, that the funds from passing Measure H haven't accomplished much yet in the realm of building housing. While I have sympathy for the unhoused residents here, myself and my neighbors are very upset and frustrated with the state of the crime and here in Echo Park and at our beautiful Echo Park Lake. I used to go to the lake once a week, and I no longer feel safe to do so, because of being threatened by homeless individuals here. However, as a person with compassion and understanding, I understand that our unhoused neighbors are suffering from numerous mental illnesses and are struggling greatly which has lead to this uptick in crime and quality of life issues. I truly believe the answer to solving both our and their issues is the construction of permanent supportive housing in our communities. As a homeowner I know that NIMBYs can often sink or swim housing for homeless and I want to do anything I can to support it. I am even willing to speak about this in person if you are having a meeting to discuss this. I really like your idea of using the St Vincent medical center for housing. I practically appreciate that it will utilize a building that is already constructed, obviously saving a lot of money and time. Let me know if there is anything I can do to help this process.

Tyler M. Manzo
323-494-5736
www.vimeo.com/tmanzo
www.imdb.com/name/nm4331864/
In support of the St. Vincent plan

1 message

Kristin Koperski <drkoperski@gmail.com>  Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 2:51 PM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Dear Councilman,

I am writing to express my strong support of your proposal to repurpose the soon-to-be vacant St. Vincent Medical Center as a housing and wrap around services center for those in need. Our unhoused neighbors need immediate shelter and services so, if acquiring and converting existing facilities is faster and more fiscally responsible than building from scratch, then every opportunity to do so should be taken. I believe this is a chance to not only improve the quality of life for the unhoused, but to save lives as well. I appreciate your bold and innovative approach to addressing this humanitarian crisis.

Sincerely,

Kristin Koperski Manzo, PsyD
I am a local resident and enthusiastically support this proposal.

David Benoff
1635 Scott Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90026
Councilman,
I support your proposal to open St Vincent Medical Center to the homeless.

Do it fast, get people in beds, and then please repeat it tenfold. This type of response is years overdue. People die and our public spaces get trashed while the city just organizes sweeps.

The government’s response to this crisis has been agonizingly slow and ineffectual. Someone needs to take charge and not only open more housing but also stem the bleeding of shelters and associated housing that are closing due to lack of funding. Constituents voted to give the government more and more money to handle the situation, and yet this community sees no results. Sweeps are not results.

Open the medical center, more safe parking lots, and dozens more shelters after that. Garcetti has entirely lost my support, and the reputation of your office, its actions and announcements the past few weeks, should have you feeling very ashamed. I'd like to be able to vote for you again someday.

Thank you,
Keely
Repurposing St. Vincent Medical Center

Heather Carmichael <hcarmichael@myfriendsplace.org>
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org
Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 1:46 PM

Councilmember O’Farrell,

My Friend’s Place supports the exploration of repurposing the property that is currently the site of St. Vincent Medical Center.

As Los Angeles continues to be confronted by the increasing crisis of homelessness, we are obligated to look at such opportunities as possible means to advance our efforts to end homelessness for all Angelenos. Given Los Angeles cannot provide beds quickly enough to meet the needs of nearly 60,000 people experiencing homelessness, LA’s leadership would be remiss not to consider this property’s capacity to be thoughtfully repurposed to address the immediate community care resource and housing needs of hundreds of people experiencing homelessness in our area, including the young people of My Friend’s Place.

My Friend’s Place encourages city, county and our state leaders to stand on the edge of this opportunity on behalf of all people in our community.

With regards,
Heather Carmichael

My Friend’s Place
5850 Hollywood Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90028

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Executive Director
Office: 323.580.6071
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Join us at Ending Youth Homelessness: A Benefit For My Friend’s Place, an unforgettable evening of entertainment, dining, awards and auctions in support of youth experiencing homelessness in our community. Tickets, tables and sponsorships available now!

My Friend’s Place
My Friend’s Place is a nonprofit drop-in resource center in Hollywood offering a comprehensive continuum of care, health, educational, and therapeutic services to nearly 1,400 youth experiencing homelessness and their children each year.

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I SUPPORT your plan to repurpose the St. Vincent Medical Center for wrap around services. It is sad that for-profit entities have such short sighted goals. This property would make excellent housing for homeless, drug-afflicted, and community health needs.

Eric Fromm
Dear Councilman O’Farrell,

We WHOLEHEARTEDLY support the endeavor to convert St. Vincent’s to a home and center for the homeless. ABSOLUTELY!!!

There are many vacant buildings throughout the city. Why it is taking so long is beyond me! We do not have to reinvent the wheel or start from scratch.

PLEASE go for this. And while you are at it, what about the former Stock Exchange on Beaudry???

Many thanks,
Kathleen Murphy
I totally support your idea to repurpose St. Vincent's Medical Center.

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone
St. Vincent
1 message

Nick Cuccia <nacinla@gmail.com>                           Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 12:26 PM
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

I think this is a great idea. The city should be looking at other empty buildings that can be more easily adopted for use as housing instead of building from the ground up at great expense. You should issue a call citywide for suggestions of such sites.

Also, I appreciate the effort your crews make to clean up these small spots in various locations in the district.

But I would urge you to consider regular cleanups along Silver Lake Boulevard near the Beverly/Virgil intersection and Beverly Boulevard west of Virgil, which are buried in trash. It's a disgrace and I'm embarrassed for my neighborhood and the city. The spots you show in your emails are important to the people effected, I get that; but they're usually miniscule compared to other sites in our neighborhood.

Nick Cuccia
323-663-0633
Dear Councilman O'Farrell,

I strongly support your motion to the City to purchase St. Vincent’s Medical Center for the repurposing of the Center to use for services for the homeless population.

As a former Case Manager for women with HIV/AIDS and their families, homelessness was one of the many co-factors for many of these women, creating a barrier to accessing services and care.

We cannot underscore enough the importance and greater need now more than ever for action to address this growing epidemic of homelessness in Los Angeles - and statewide.

Having centralized services is key in addressing this issue. Wrap around services such as mental health, substance abuse, acute medical care, and housing supportive services in a ONE stop shop style model? YES.

I hope that the community will back your motion and that the City of L.A. recognizes the immediate need for this type of service model.

I commend you for addressing the issue of homelessness proactively and comprehensively.

Regards,

Gina Acuña
I highly support using St Vincent to reimagine its use: provide wrap around services including substance abuse assistance, rehabilitation services and interim/permanent housing onsite.
To whom it may concern,

I agree with Council Member Mitch O’Farrell’s motion to have the city purchase and repurpose the soon-to-close St Vincent Medical Center, to be used for services: “including substance abuse assistance, rehabilitation services and interim/permanent housing onsite”.

Karen Mangiamele

Hollywood, CA 90028
I support Councilman O'Farrell’s motion to explore purchasing the building and creating the services that he proposes.

Our community members - be it homeless, fully financially stable, students, professionals, children, seniors, and everything in between, need services and resources in the neighborhoods in which they live. St Vincent is located in a neighborhood that is definitely low on resources for the homeless, so we should definitely look into the feasibility of purchasing the building as proposed. Thank you, Councilman.

Daniel Kianmahd
Principal

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I would like to show my support of the repurposing of the St. Vincent's medical center. This sounds like one of the best proposals I have heard as a solution to LA's homeless problem. If the facility could be not only be used for medical services and or possible temporary housing? This is clearly going in the right direction to getting people off the streets and the help many need.

Thank you for your continued push for change.

Sincerely

B. A. Kerr (city of LA resident)
To whom it may concern,

I feel that converting St Vincent into a homeless shelter is a logical and progressive use of the space. It's already in an economically strained area with many local people in need, has multiple rooms, and importantly—is already built! This is the most logical proposal for a shelter I have heard to date. Please move forward with this proposal.

Sincerely a concerned constituent,
Lydia Neeley
1914 W Court St
90026
January 25, 2020,

Councilmember O’Farrell,

I am a program manager at The Center, a homeless services agency strategically located in Hollywood combatting homelessness and the isolation it causes daily.

I am writing in support of the idea to imagine a new purpose for the centrally located and well-resourced property that is currently the site of St. Vincent Medical Center.

In the wake of the unprecedented humanitarian crisis that this county faces with respect to increasing homelessness and the plight of people suffering from untreated mental illness and substance abuse, the fact that our local leaders are contemplating the purchase of this property provides a reason for hope.

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I encourage you and all our elected officials in the city, county and our state representatives as well to link arms and find a way to make something amazing happen.

I stand ready to support in any way.

Kevin Nye
Los Angeles CA 90028
Dear Councilmember O’Farrell –

Thank you for your motion to explore purchasing and repurposing St Vincent Medical Center. While I’m sorry to see it close as a medical facility in its current form, the idea to transform it into a service center for helping those experiencing homelessness, including interim and permanent housing, is inspirational.

I hope this is feasible both practically and financially. You have my support.

Take Care,

Scott

Scott Campbell
Real Estate Consultant/Realtor®
Nourmand & Associates
DRE# 01389031
323-252-9870 cell
Assuming it is financially responsible - this seems like a WONDERFUL IDEA

It was mentioned in today's Mitch O'FARRELL e-mail

Thank you.

Ed Pfiester

Auto typos are my gift to you

* Please update your records with our new telephone numbers below.

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Support for re-purposing St. Vincent's Hospital!
1 message

Jan Munroe <jamun2452@gmail.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  
Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 10:37 AM

I support the repurposing of St. Vincent's Medical Center to a homeless shelter/affordable housing situation. The facility is in tact, has many available rooms, parking and security stations already in place.

This could be the beginning of a long-sought solution to the historic numbers of homeless we have here in Los Angeles.

Jan Munroe
Support for repurposing of St. Vincent property
1 message

kerryhmorrison@gmail.com <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 10:32 AM

Councilmember O’Farrell,

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I stand ready to support in any way.

Kerry Morrison
Los Angeles CA 90004

Heart Forward LA
a project of Community Partners
I applaud you for this idea of repurposing St Vincent's Medical Center. This is the only feasible, practical and possible idea to aid in this crisis. Nothing and I mean nothing is being done, the prices of homes are skyrocketing along with rent. There has been an explosion of lofts being built all around Los Angeles that nobody can afford but foreigners and wealthy people. Poor Neighborhoods that in some cases dont even have a paved sidewalks that were mostly populated by minorities have been asked to pay a 50-70% increase in rent or get out. The greed of these landlords is out of control. The wages are not matching the skyrocketing overnight increase in rent. Becoming homeless in L.A. has become extremely easy, suppose you get fired from your job, and it will take a few weeks to get unemployment or find another job by that time your living in the streets. I am barely making rent living with a roommate, but I am more concerned about my fellow human beings who are out there in the streets. This is getting ugly and really fast. Its killing our city tourism and giving U.S.A. the most powerful country a bad rap. Repurposing St.Vincent Medical Center will make a small dent in this growing problem but it's better than nothing, and we need something, some hope, some visual progress for the sake of humanity. It is all our problem when our fellow man is in dyer need of help. Just caring is a good way to begin this process. Say YES to St Vincent Medical Center

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device
I strongly support LACity repurposing St. Vincents to address housing and service needs
1 message

Pete Nicholas <peter_s_nicholas@yahoo.com>  
Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 10:23 AM
To: City of Los Angeles <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>
I support re-purposing Saint Vincent

1 message

Morgan “TIMR” Rusler <morganrusler@gmail.com>                               Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 10:16 AM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Hello,

I support repurposing the medical center. I’m sure it will be complicated and expensive but we need to do all we can to help the homeless

Best,
Morgan Rusler
4101 Perlita 90039
Great idea st Vincent

I support rededicating St. Vincent for the homelessness services.

Best Regards
Michael Wolff, Managing Partner
Dickerson Insurance Services
Please excuse typos and abbreviations, as this was sent from my phone # 323.821.0328
I strongly support the repurposing of St Vincent hospital to provide services for the homeless.

Linda Pearl
Dear Mitch et al,

We as local residents love and wholeheartedly support the idea of converting the hospital into a homeless shelter with services. It’s a perfect use for that old building in an area that is in such great need!

Thanks,
marcus
Hello Councilman O'Farrell,

I am writing to express my support for your plan to re-purpose the St. Vincent Medical center into a homeless services facility. Homelessness is the most pressing issue for our city, in my opinion. I know I am not alone.

Thank you for leading this effort.

Sincerely,

Alison Ankeny
Atwater Village resident
Dear Councilmember O Farrell
I support repurposing St Vincent’s Medical Center as a center for homeless and addiction services, including sober living and transitional housing.

Please consider adding mental health services as this lack is a significant contributor to homelessness.

Sincerely,
Trudy Egan FNP-C
St. Vincent Homeless Shelter
1 message

Dale Roy Robinson <2mt@sbcglobal.net>  Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 9:25 AM
To: "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Councilmember Ofarrell -

I strongly support the adaption and re-use of the former St. Vincent Hospital into a full-service homeless shelter. Homelessness is a crisis, and we are using that word automatically these days, but it is still not being treated as a crisis. If this many people were suddenly homeless because of a major earthquake what would the response look like? So, yes, let's take this opportunity and run with it. And fast!

Best,
Dale Roy Robinson
323-219-3249
Good morning Mitch,

I have not commented on any City matter since retiring from the Department of Transportation, but this suggestion is an exception. This is a wonderful idea…the site, the location, the facilities, etc are so fitting for housing. Access to transit, walkable area, potions that can be for supplemental services and businesses. It could be a model project. Teaming with Cal State and university programs, it could also be a learning center where students can work and learn and even get course credit for involvement.

You also might want to reach out to the retired LA City community….I bet many would help on a volunteer basis.

Best wishes for a resounding success.

Frankee Banerjee  
PO Box 80185  
San Marino, CA 91118

Phone: 626-808-7500  
ext: frances.banerjee@gmail.com
Councilman O'Farrell,

I couldn't agree more! I think the conversion of St. Vincent's into a facility for homeless services is so important at this time. Let's try to make this happen for Los Angeles and those who need these vital services.

Sincerely,

Gary O'Brien
6661 Emmet Terrace
Los Angeles, CA 90068
I support this proposal. Great idea!

Vanessa C. Kreger, M.D., M.P.H.
Resident Physician, Class of 2020
UCLA, Olive View Emergency Medicine
vkreger@gmail.com | 805.630.2557
Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

Times of crises require bold leadership. The ability to quickly decide that St. Vincent Medical Center is an efficient and effective use of LA city resources to address this issue is what Los Angeles needs right now.

I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,
Alfonso Directo
10787 Missouri Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90025
Council Members,

The proposal to re-purpose the soon-to-be-shuttered St. Vincent Medical Center by Councilman Mitch O'Farrell is a brilliant idea. It accomplishes goals set by the City of Los Angeles to provide much needed housing and mental health services plus it is an environmental and ecologically sound use of resources.

Rehabilitation of buildings is also a way of maintaining our city's history. The reincarnation of St. Vincent's as proposed would preserve a structure with a unique history that began in 1869 with the Daughter's of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul. Their work led to St. Vincent's being the first hospital established in Los Angeles, which is only one of many firsts associated with this medical center.

This proposal is clearly a win all the way around. It helps to address the critical housing shortage and expanded social services for those in desperate need. It does so in a way that is far more efficient time-wise than the land acquisition and new construction process. It is good environmental policy to rehabilitate rather than to destroy. And the precedent it sets could prove a legacy for those faced with similar situations in the future.

I gladly lend my support to this idea and am happy to be of further use if needed.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Herr
Curator, Hollyhock House - a part of a UNESCO World Heritage Site
Support for repurposing St. Vincent's Medical Center
1 message

Kerry Barker <kerryleebee@gmail.com>  Fri, Jan 24, 2020 at 11:29 AM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Dear Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell,

I'm writing to let you know that I am in favor of your plan to repurpose St. Vincent's Medical Center for wraparound housing and mental health services.

The housing crisis and homelessness in this city have become a humanitarian issue. I live in Silverlake, and not a day goes by that I don't walk by at least one homeless person on nearly every block, many of whom are clearly struggling with mental illness. Not nearly enough resources are put toward the mental health of our community. I grew up in Los Angeles and I've never seen it as bad as this.

On a personal note, I'd like to see the space continue to serve the health and welfare of the community. My father was treated and passed away from cancer at St. Vincent's in the 1990s when I was a child. I hope the building can maintain its legacy of helping and treating others.

Sincerely,
Kerry Barker
(508) 685-1919
Los Angeles, 90026
Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

Times of crises require bold leadership. The ability to quickly decide that St. Vincent Medical Center is an efficient and effective use of LA city resources to address this issue is what Los Angeles needs right now.

I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,
Patrick Dunlevy
2239 Wanderer Dr
Los Angeles, CA 90732
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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,

florence murphy
2239 Wanderer Dr
Los Angeles, CA 90732
Dear Supervisor Solis and Councilmember O'Farrell,

A group of my interfaith colleagues - Jews, Muslims, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-days Saints members - and I have been meeting informally regarding the challenge of the homeless population in our city and county. We have been discerning the moral, ethical, and practical dimensions of this whole crisis.

We wish to extend our support to both of you in your efforts regarding the repurposing of the soon-to-be-closed Saint Vincent Hospital.

Please feel free to call upon us if we can assist you in any way in this endeavor.

Rt. Rev. Alexei Smith
Ecumenical and Interreligious Officer
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Mitch O'Farrell
Councilmember, 13th District
I AM EXCITED Re: Repurposing St. Vincent Medical Center -- Support from L.A.
Council of Religious Leaders
3 messages

Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker <dupontw@aol.com> Fri, Jan 24, 2020 at 7:42 AM
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Good morning LACRL,

While we thought that the LACRL would be addressing homelessness via our individual faith groups; efforts after meeting with Mayor Garcetti, this may present that divinely ordained opportunity for combined impact/service and a demonstration of unity in the faith world. I can only imagine what it will be like to have congregants from all of our faiths working together, ministering in a setting that can help heal those who have been "exposed" to the culture of homelessness and want to become whole again.

Hope we will start praying, make moves expecting the answer to this prayer for the conversion, and be ready for action.

It may also be good to send Mayor Garcetti a copy of this letter as evidence of the strength of the St Vincent conversion proposal and our continuing commitment to ending homelessness (or as is being described now - ending houselessness).

I am energized for this mission and action that can make a huge difference in the lives of so many - both those being helped and those providing help.

Be well!

Sistah "Jackie"

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From: Bob Williams <bobwilliams@ladiocese.org>
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Dear Supervisor Solis, Councilmember O’Farrell, and Los Angeles Council of Religious Leaders Colleagues – Please see the attached letter (also copied below) supporting the repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center to assist Angelenos experiencing homelessness. Thank you – Bob Williams, LACRL secretary (213.208.0222, cell)

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS
“Providing a Moral Compass for Southern California”

January 23, 2020

Supervisor Hilda Solis
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
856 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 W. Temple St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Councilmember Mitch O’Farrell
Los Angeles City Hall
200 N. Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisor Solis and Councilmember O’Farrell,

Representing Southland faith groups together comprising more than 6 million members, we, the undersigned members of the Los Angeles Council of Religious Leaders thank you for your leadership and ongoing work seeking to repurpose St. Vincent Medical Center to provide mental healthcare, supportive services, and housing for our Angeleno siblings experiencing homelessness.

We fully endorse this concept and pray that it can be realized to help relieve the dire need gripping our region, and we pledge to you our support and assistance in this effort. We further agree that such use of St. Vincent Medical Center would fittingly continue the legacy of its 164-year history of benevolent care at the heart of Los Angeles.

As we know, a strategic opportunity of this magnitude and potential occurs only rarely; therefore, let us move quickly and effectively to achieve the greatest common good.

Sincerely yours,

The Rev. John Cager, Council President
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Temple Beth Hillel, Valley Village

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Feeding Hungry Hearts

John Taylor <jtaylor@ladiocese.org>
Fri, Jan 24, 2020 at 7:43 AM

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Thanks, Sister Jackie! Yes, the letter did go yesterday to Mayor Garcetti via his chief of staff, Ana Guerrero. We will continue to follow up in more detail with Ana and deputies to Hilda Solis and Mitch O’Farrell. Also forwarding letter to Steve Lopez. Thanks again & all best — Bob

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I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

Rd Plasschaert <Rd.Plasschaert.272128468@p2a.co>       Fri, Jan 24, 2020 at 3:01 AM
Reply-To: info@habgt.com
To: Mitch O’Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Council Member O’Farrell,

As a currently housed, disabled senior citizen resident, under Section 8 within Los Angeles, I want you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. The state of crisis with my homeless peers in Los Angeles has been worsening over the years. Awareness of this is rampant.

I want you to illustrate bold leadership.

It is imperative to quickly decide — and act on the decision — that St. Vincent Medical Center is an efficient and effective use of LA city resources to address this issue is what Los Angeles needs right now.

I stand with housed and unhoused peers to encourage you and the other council-members to act swiftly; to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,
Rd Plasschaert
620 S Coronado St
Los Angeles, CA 90057
Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

I urge you to support the re-purposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

Times of crises require bold leadership. The ability to quickly decide that St. Vincent Medical Center is an efficient and effective use of LA city resources to address this issue is what Los Angeles needs right now.

I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and re-purposing.

Regards,
Pete Buonocore
611 Lillian Way
Los Angeles, CA 90004
Dear Councilmember O'Farrell:

I support the use of St. Vincent as a facility for treatment of mental illness, addiction treatment and supportive housing for people who needed. It would save the city money not to build something from the ground up.

Thank you for all you. Your hardwork doesn't go unnoticed.

Sincerely,
Raquel Borden
Support for St. Vincent conversion to Permanent Supportive Housing
1 message

Joy Mcmanus <joywmcmmanus@gmail.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Mon, Jan 27, 2020 at 5:44 PM

Councilman O'Farrell,

I write to you to voice my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing for our neighbors experiencing homelessness. This just seems like a no brainer, and I can't imagine that the immediate neighborhood would object in "Nimby" fashion. An existing structure that is already used to provide care just makes so much sense to repurpose in this way.

I am a member of St. James' Episcopal Church, and I volunteer at their Friday evening soup kitchen. Many of our weekly guests are living on the street and in desperate need of not only housing, but also medical, psychological and addiction care. They would welcome such a facility in our area.

I also volunteer with Stories From the Frontline, founded by Marilyn Wells and Allison Schallert. If you have not already attended one of our events, I hope you can join us on March 14th. We are winning over hearts and minds to support solutions one person at a time. Please see the link below my signature.

Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city!

StoriesFromTheFrontline.org
Council Mr. O’Farrell,

Just read, on Sunday I think, of the proposal to turn bankrupt St. Vincents into a homeless shelter. I live in the area and I think it is a splendid idea.

I hope you will back the plan as much as possible. If there is anything I can do to help please let me know.

Kind regards

Mary Juhl
110 S. Rampart Blvd. #4
LA, Ca 90057
213 389 3987
Dear Mitch,

I am pleased to see how passionate you are to create housing and resources for the homeless. I have a feeling you are not fully aware of the injustice and betrayal Verity has imposed on its 1000+ employees and patients - which was a vital resource for the Los Angeles community, INCLUDING the homeless. Are you aware that Verity gave their employees roughly 2 weeks' notice of their termination? Are you aware that these 1000+ humans will lose their health insurance on 1/31/2020? Are you aware that the patients in which St.Vincent served were basically forced to quickly find live-saving care? This is the community in which you represent. I understand that you and your fellow council members are not directly responsible for the financial downfall of St. Vincent Medical Center; however, I feel that you have failed your community by not publicly addressing the laws that have been broken by Verity Health System.

I urge you to look further into the labor laws that may have been violated. I urge you to have some empathy for those who have spent the majority of their lives caring for the community. I urge you to reflect on the fact that it is quite possible that former employees may be residents at your homeless hotel.

In Venetian Spirit,
Maria Williams
Hi Mitch,

I supported your efforts to install the Schrader Bridge Housing facility adjacent to our office building at 6565 Sunset. I will also support your efforts to repurpose the use of the St. Vincent Hospital facility for Homeless Housing, substance abuse rehabilitation and other mental health support services.

I agree, we need to take extraordinary steps to stop the proliferation of homelessness, drug addiction and those suffering from mental illness who are not getting the support they deserve and I applaud your efforts.

I participated in the LA homeless count last week and was shocked to see how many people are living on the streets of Hollywood in makeshift tents and in vehicles amongst all the new development projects. The revitalization of Hollywood cannot be considered a success until this crisis has been averted!

Best,

Brian.
St. Vincent Medical Center
1 message

nyla@discoverhollywood.com <nyla@discoverhollywood.com> Mon, Jan 27, 2020 at 10:25 AM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

We STRONGLY support repurposing St. Vincent Medical Center to provide services and housing for the homeless.

Nyla and Oscar Arslanian
I agree with the plan to repurpose St. Vincent Medical Center as a facility serving the homeless with services such as addiction rehabilitation programs, mental health screening and treatment, occupational training, counseling, and short-term housing. I believe the facility could be staffed with top-quality medical professionals (including psychiatrists) and could even serve as a teaching facility for mental health professionals. Properly managed, the facility could become a model of effective and cost-efficient treatment services for homeless people.

Annie Murphy
Councilperson O'Farrell,
My name is Daniel strebin, I am writing to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing Homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need.

Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city!
Daniel strebin
4712 admiralty way #973, marina del Rey 90292, 310-936-4593
Ken Boros <kenboros@gmail.com>
To: Councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Wed, Feb 5, 2020 at 9:42 AM

Dear Councilman O'Farrell,

Kindly consider converting this great old facility into a halfway house for the homeless.

LA is desperate for additional housing and this would be a great opportunity.

Thank you,

Kenneth Boros
4901 Onteora Way
Los Angeles, CA 90041
Councilperson O'Farrell,

My name is David Dellinger. I am writing to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into supportive housing and services for people who are experiencing homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need. There are many options to solving homelessness - we need to try as many as we can. This one seems like one of the best solutions.

Please consider this option!

Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city!

David Dellinger
2327 Hill Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90041
Support housing for the homeless

1 message

Myanna Dellinger <myanna.dellinger@gmail.com>  
To: Councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  
Wed, Feb 5, 2020 at 9:31 AM

Councilperson O'Farrell:

I am writing to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need.

Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city!

Best,

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Myanna Dellinger

Support my judicial campaign for seat #72 on the LA Superior Court in 2020!
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Re-purposing of St Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing

Chloe R. Ziegler <czanarchy@me.com>
T: Councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org
Wed, Feb 5, 2020 at 9:

Councilperson O’Farrell,

My name is Chloé Renée Ziegler. I am writing in my personal capacity to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing Homelessness.

Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need.

Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city.

Chloé Renée Ziegler
4901 Onteca Way
Los Angeles, CA 90041
Dear Councilperson O'Farrell,

My name is Lynne Berman and I am writing enthusiastically to support your proposal for the converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for the Homeless in Los Angeles. This is a win-win opportunity for the city. We are all impacted by the inundation of people living on our streets. I can’t pass by without a feeling of anxiety and despair. This impacts our community so deeply and we all need to come together to solve this humanitarian crisis. I ask myself “How can this be happening in a city with such wealth?”

Taking action on this proposal will take steps to make the city a more humane place for those in need.

Thank you so much for your work on this issue.

Best,

Lynne Berman

4859 1/2 Avoca Street

Los Angeles, CA 90041
St. Vincent into a homeless services center
1 message

Audrey Mandelbaum <amandelbaum@antioch.edu>  To: Councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org
Wed, Feb 5, 2020 at 12:48 AM

To: Councilperson O'Farrell
From: Audrey Mandelbaum

I am writing to give you my strong support for repurposing the St. Vincent Medical Center as a wraparound service center for residents of LA experiencing homelessness. I urge you and your fellow councilmembers and the county to explore the site as well as nearby properties to address our city's homelessness crisis.

Thank you for listening and for doing the right thing for our fellow Angelenos.

With appreciation,

Audrey Mandelbaum

4933 Avoca Street, LA, CA 90041

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Dear Councilperson O’Farrell:

My name is Emily Howell Silverman and I am writing to request support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing Homelessness. As a foster parent and an active member of my community, working on outreach and services for our unsheltered neighbors, I am writing to kindly ask that you take action to help make the city a better/safe place by providing housing for those most in need.

Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city.

Sincerely,

Emily Howell Silverman

Emily Howell Silverman
323.217.4546 (c)
Lisa Hutchins <hutchinshouse@gmail.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  

Tue, Feb 4, 2020 at 5:14 PM

Councilperson O'Farrell,

My name is Lisa Hutchins. I am writing to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing Homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need.

Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city!

Lisa Hutchins  
415 S. Windsor Blvd., LA 90020  
323-216-6938

Lisa Hutchins  
Excuse typos Sent from my EyeFone
Councilperson O'Farrell,

My name is Jack Bentele. I am a member of the Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council’s Housing & Homelessness Committee, but I am writing today as an individual. I want to give my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safer place for those in need.

Thank you for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city!

- Jack Bentele  
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I support the repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

Joanne Kim <joannedkim@gmail.com>  
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   Tue, Feb 4, 2020 at 11:18 AM
   
Councilperson O’Farrell,
My name is Joanne Kim. I am writing to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing Homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need.
Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city!

Joanne Kim  
joannedkim@gmail.com  
213-700-0498
I support the repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!
1 message

Tescia Uribe <TesciaU@epath.org> To: "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>
Tue, Feb 4, 2020 at 10:48 AM

Councilperson O'Farrell,

My name is Tescia Uribe. I am writing to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing Homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need.

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Tescia Uribe
340 N Madison Ave
Los Angeles CA 90004
323.644.2229

Sent from Mail for Windows 10
I support the repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

Amanda Borinstein <amanda.borinstein@gmail.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  
Tue, Feb 4, 2020 at 9:44 AM

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Amanda Borinstein  
12250 Addison Street  
Valley Village, CA 91607
My name is Jane Demian and I am writing to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into supportive housing and services for people who are experiencing homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need.

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Jane Demian
2132 Ridgeview Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90041
323-243-3113
I support the repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

Elizabeth Morehead <lizmorehead@gmail.com> Sun, Feb 2, 2020 at 11:25 AM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Councilperson O’Farrell,
I would like to add my voice in support of converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing. This seems like a wonderful option to combat this crisis of epic proportions. Thank you!
Liz Morehead
2000 N Hobart Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90027
Please Act Now on St. Vincent Medical Center

1 message

Chris Ellington <Chris.Ellington.274737578@p2a.co>  Thu, Jan 30, 2020 at 8:20 PM
Reply-To: crossfade12000@yahoo.com
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

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Regards,

Chris Ellington
1400 Douglas St
Los Angeles, CA 90026
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Dear Councilmember O’Farrell,

My greatest concern is the children who are homeless or housing insecure. LAUSD has identified 17,000 youth. They are blameless. Their education is at stake. The schools know exactly who they are, and their families should be given first priority in St. Vincents.

In addition, they deserve a place free of drug addicts and alcoholics, people with mental issues.

Let’s house these children first: our most vulnerable citizens.

Sarah Starr
Echo Park
Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

Good afternoon, I hope you are doing well and having a pleasant day so far. I am reaching out in regards to an email you sent asking for support for the repurposing St. Vincent Medical Center. I am reaching out to offer my support and admiration for this project, I believe it will help our entire community including our most vulnerable residents.

If there is a need for volunteers please let me know, I care about bettering the 13th district and making it a safe welcoming area for everyone.

Thank you,
Shelby Jirikils

Shelby Jirikils
she/her/hers
Shelby.Jirikils@gmail.com
MBA in Non-Profit Management, American Jewish University (May, 2020)
Repurposing St. Vincent's

1 message

Elizabeth Naftalin <naftalin@sbcglobal.net>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  
Tue, Jan 28, 2020 at 10:50 AM

I support the proposed repurposing of St. Vincent's Medical center as a living and care facility for people who are homeless, who live in tents by the river or in their cars or on the streets throughout Los Angeles city and county. Purchasing St. Vincent's and reconfiguring it to provide shelter and services for people who need them now could be a bridge to better outcomes for both homeless people and for those of us who see the current situation as virtually intractable. I'm with Mitch O'Farrell on this.
Dear Star — I trust the attached letter reached you and Councilmember O'Farrell last week; one of your staff colleagues suggested that we forward the letter to your attention. On behalf of the Council of Religious Leaders, would you let me know please of any reply that the Councilmember or you would like to extend to the LACRL members? I am glad to speak with you in more detail; my cell is 213.308.0222. Many thanks – Bob Williams

Robert Williams, Canon for Common Life
Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles
St. Paul’s Commons
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Los Angeles, CA 90026
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Feeding Hungry Hearts
Dear Supervisor Solis, Councilmember O’Farrell, and Los Angeles Council of Religious Leaders Colleagues – Please see the attached letter (also copied below) supporting the repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center to assist Angelenos experiencing homelessness. Thank you – Bob Williams, LACRL secretary (213.208.0222, cell)

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS

“Providing a Moral Compass for Southern California”

January 23, 2020

Supervisor Hilda Solis
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
856 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 W. Temple St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Councilmember Mitch O’Farrell
Los Angeles City Hall
200 N. Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisor Solis and Councilmember O’Farrell,

Representing Southland faith groups together comprising more than 6 million members, we, the undersigned members of the Los Angeles Council of Religious Leaders thank you for your leadership and ongoing work seeking to repurpose St. Vincent Medical Center to provide mental healthcare, supportive services, and housing for our Angeleno siblings experiencing homelessness.
We fully endorse this concept and pray that it can be realized to help relieve the dire need gripping our region, and we pledge to you our support and assistance in this effort. We further agree that such use of St. Vincent Medical Center would fittingly continue the legacy of its 164-year history of benevolent care at the heart of Los Angeles.

As we know, a strategic opportunity of this magnitude and potential occurs only rarely; therefore, let us move quickly and effectively to achieve the greatest common good.

Sincerely yours,

The Rev. John Cager, Council President
Senior Pastor, Ward A.M.E. Church, Los Angeles

Rabbi Sarah Hronsky, Council Vice-President
Vice President, Board of Rabbis of Southern California,
Temple Beth Hillel, Valley Village

Canon Robert Williams, Council Secretary
Canon for Common Life, Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles

Venerable Bhante Chao Chu
President, Los Angeles Buddhist Union
Vice-President, Interreligious Council of Southern California

The Rev. Linda Culbertson
General Presbyter, Presbytery of the Pacific

Archbishop Hovnan Derderian
Primate, Western Diocese, Armenian Church

Mr. Randolph Dobbs
Baha’i Center of Los Angeles

Sister Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker
President, Ward Economic Development Corporation

Bishop R. Guy Erwin
Southwest California Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Rabbi Morley Feinstein
Senior Rabbi Emeritus, University Synagogue, Los Angeles

Bishop Grant K. Hagiya
California-Pacific Conference, United Methodist Church

Swami Mahayogananda
Monastic, Vedanta Society of Southern California
Vice President, Interreligious Council of Southern California

Commissioner Nimjan Singh Khalsa
California Sikh Council

Brother Omar Ricci
Past President, Islamic Center of Southern California

Pravrajika Saradeshapraana
Monastic, Vedanta Society of Southern California

Swami Sarvadevananda
Spiritual Leader, Vedanta Society of Southern California

Right Rev. Alexei Smith
Interreligious-Ecumenical Officer, Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Sister Hedab Tarifi
Past President, Islamic Center of Southern California

The Rt. Rev. John Harvey Taylor
Bishop, Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles

Rev. Dr. Felix Villanueva
Southern California-Nevada Conference, United Church of Christ
Hi Bob,

Thank you!

Star

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Star Parsamyan
Legislative Director
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Find the Councilmember on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube!
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Regards,
Phil Glosserman
11943 Lawler St
Los Angeles, CA 90066
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Regards,
Layne Weiss
8 N El Centro Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90038
I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

Layne Weiss <Layne.Weiss.272065675@p2a.co> Thu, Jan 23, 2020 at 3:28 PM
Reply-To: layne.weiss@gmail.com
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

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Regards,
Sarah Bull
934 S Dunsmuir Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90036
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Regards,
Ben Gordon
705 E Ave 43
Los Angeles, CA 90031
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Regards,
Diane Wagner
550 N Cahuenga Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90004
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Regards,
Roger Perez
6540 Franklin Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90028
Dear Mr. O'Farrell,

My wife and I are big supporters of the idea to purchase the St. Vincent's Medical Center for the homeless. It's vital we find resources to aid with their housing and offer them wrap around mental health services.

As Silver Lake residents of over 20 years you have our support in trying to deal with this federal and local crisis.

Best,

Phillip.
philrhys@me.com
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I hope you and the other councilmembers - including my councilmember David Ryu - will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,
Angela Gyetvan
400 S Burnside Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90036
Dear Mitch,

I met you through Tyler Cassity years ago. Congrats! I hope that St Vincent's can be an immediate solution to part of helping people get off the street and actually get help. So, much of the resources that the city has are being squandered for quick fix, emergency room visits........

Thank you for paying attention to this.

Best regards,

Carol

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I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

Ben Cassorla <Ben.Cassorla.271994080@p2a.co>  Thu, Jan 23, 2020 at 9:37 AM
Reply-To: bencassorla@gmail.com
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

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Regards,
Ben Cassorla
603 N La Fayette Park Pl
Los Angeles, CA 90026
In favor of St. Vincent project
1 message

Mary Ruth Koogler <maryruthkoogler@gmail.com>       Thu, Jan 23, 2020 at 9:24 AM
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Mitch O'Farrell,

I am in total agreement with your possible purchase of the St. Vincent Medical Center.
To repurpose the space for housing and mental services is a brilliant use of limited space in Los Angeles.
Adapting the building will save years of new construction.
A hospital is perfectly configured and plumbed for medical and living space.

As Director of Special Projects for HBO's Comic Relief, I watched as President Ronald Reagans' policies forced people,
in need of mental health care, out to the streets.
The damage and need has never recovered.

If Google can repurpose the Westside Pavilion, perhaps they could share their successful plan and support - and 
underwrite your project.
TRUE "Google Support" and much needed good will publicity to counter their tax avoidance publicity.
Just sayin'.

Thanks for all you do to keep Los Angeles civilized, thoughtful, beautiful and fun.

Mary Ruth Koogler

310.487.1100
maryruthkoogler@gmail.com
I approve of the idea of repurposing the old hospital as a place to house and treat the homeless. I am in your district and have met you. Thanks for your work.

Frances Josephs Sandberg
90026

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St. Vincent's
1 message

Kristin Reeg <kristinreeg@gmail.com>  Thu, Jan 23, 2020 at 7:16 AM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell-

I am in support of your idea to turn St. Vincent's into support services and housing for the homeless with mental health as a focus. I work at 130 S. Alvarado, where everyday I witness the homeless population on the streets outside our building struggling. This area needs extra services and support. We don't need more luxury housing units!!!! I was also a patient of St. Vincent's and am sorry to see the hospital close. Thanks for your support of this idea. -KR

Kristin Reeg
2731 Locksley Pl
Los Angeles, CA 90039

Sent from my iPhone
Support using St Vincent hospital as housing for the unhoused

1 message

Joanna Miller Casucci <joannabmiller@gmail.com>  Thu, Jan 23, 2020 at 5:36 AM
To: "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

I am writing on support of your proposal (per Jan 2020 LA Times article) to repurpose the closing St Vincent medical center as housing for unhoused people. It must be our cities top priority to find homes for its citizens.

Thank you,
Joanna Casucci
90016
I think the proposal to re-purpose St. Vincent into housing and mental health service center is genius. Rather than waiting for years for a facility to be constructed, it might only be a few months to complete necessary remodeling. Individuals would have access to sleeping quarters with bathroom facilities that allow for the dignity of privacy.

The idea of wrap-around mental health services, hopefully including addiction treatment on-site is wonderful. Ideally educational/vocational services could be included...Everything from day care to his skills training.

The kitchens on every floor could provide not only meals, but foster a sense of community and offer yet another opportunity for in the job training.

I truly hope this proposal becomes reality.

Alison Hart
I am writing to voice my support for converting St Vincent's Medical Center into a health & housing community for the homeless. I agree, the city needs to move quickly and start taking big swings to address this crisis and this property seems like a positive step in that direction.

Thanks,
Julie Haire
I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

Marcia Whitfield <Marcia.Whitfield.271937597@p2a.co>  
Reply-To: marciawhitfield@yahoo.com  
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>  
Wed, Jan 22, 2020 at 7:13 PM

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Regards,
Marcia Whitfield
5324 Vantage Ave
Los Angeles, CA 91607
Letter of Support on the Acquisition of St. Vincent Medical Center
1 message

Sean Tan <seanjatan@gmail.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  
Wed, Jan 22, 2020 at 2:52 PM

Dear Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell,

I am writing to support a motion to purchase and acquire what is currently known as the St. Vincent Medical Center (SVMC). For many years, SVMC has provided vital healthcare services to our community, especially those who come from low-income backgrounds or have very few means to obtain medical care. It is unfortunate that Verity Health Systems of California filed bankruptcy and plans to close SVMC. However, the planned closure of SVMC presents an opportunity for the City of Los Angeles to take another bold step towards helping our neighbors -- those who are currently experiencing homelessness.

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I also urge you to help the workers who may be affected by the closure of SVMC in transitioning to new jobs and continuing on their careers. Thank you for your help and for representing our great city.

Sincerely,

Sean Tan  
Constituent

seanjatan@gmail.com

Please send a text message rather than leaving a voicemail for unanswered calls.

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Jan. 22, 2020

Sean Tan
Constituent
916 N. Robinson St.
Los Angeles, CA 90026

The Honorable Mitch O' Farrell
City Councilmember (13th District)
200 Spring St, Room 480
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: In Support of a Motion to Acquire St. Vincent Medical Hospital

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Regards,

Jessica Eason
908 S Orange Grove Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90036
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Steve Wright
3839 Los Feliz Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90027
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Regards,
elise irving
4645 San Andreas Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90065
I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

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Regards,
Allyson Lambert
105 N St Andrews Pl
Los Angeles, CA 90004
Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

I urge you to support the re-purposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center into a place that can house people experiencing homelessness. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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Regards,

Lisa Beebe
11139 Acama St
Los Angeles, CA 91602
St. Vincent's
2 messages

Stephanie Voss <step.voss@ia33.org>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  
Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 1:48 PM

What a great idea to use this hospital for housing and care that is affordable and useful to people who have lost housing or are at risk of that.

Using good union labor for renovations and repairs will be a boon to the community as well.

And I am willing to bet that we could organize a great many gifted carpenters, electricians, prop artists, scenic artists and other crafts-people from my union, the International Alliance of Theatrical and Stage Employees (IATSE) to volunteer our services with finishing touches.

Maybe we could raise or allocate some money to go directly to having an onsite inspector to help renovations go quickly...

You have some momentum here. I hope you can keep it going!

Best wishes,

constituent Stephanie Voss
Duane Street, LA 90039

Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>  
Wed, Jan 22, 2020 at 8:40 AM
To: Juan Fregoso <juan.fregoso@lacity.org>, Marisol Salguero <marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org>, Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>, Sophie Freeman <sophie.freeman@lacity.org>

FYI

[Quoted text hidden]

With kind regards,

Mitch O'Farrell
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St Vincent Medical Center - Neighbor

Alexander Booth <alexanderbooth@kfalosangeles.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  
Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 1:41 PM

Good Afternoon Mitch,

My name is Alexander and I live on Lake Street just south of St Vincent Medical Center. I recently read that you have proposed to have the medical center turned into a transient shelter and resource center and that is a fantastic idea. I have been concerned about that site since I heard it was closing last week. I walk by it almost every day and I'm worried about the empty site being used for crime. I think it is the perfect location for a transient shelter, especially with close access to the metro and Hope on Alvarado across the street.

I work at a local architecture firm called KFA and we specialize in multi-family housing, as well as a host of projects for transient shelters, low-income housing, and historic renovations. Please feel free to reach out if you need any questions answered from an architectural perspective.

Thank You,

Alex

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ALEXANDER BOOTH  
KFA, LLP  
3573 Hayden Avenue  
Culver City, CA 90232  
(310) 398-7975 x000

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Permanent housing at St Vincent

Katie Smith <katie@thebiggood.net>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  

This is a brilliant idea, and I fully support using this space to help our homeless population.

Katherine Smith  
3309 Berkeley Ave  
Los Angeles, CA 90026

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I support this proposal to repurpose the space for housing and wrap around mental health services.

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Sent from my iPhone

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I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

Valerie Hurt <Valerie.Hurt.271767136@p2a.co>  
Reply-To: vr.hurt@gmail.com  
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>  
Wed, Jan 22, 2020 at 7:23 AM

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

Times of crises require bold leadership. The ability to quickly decide that St. Vincent Medical Center is an efficient and effective use of LA city resources to address this issue is what Los Angeles needs right now.

I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Please don't let me see another $4 million mansion go up and stay empty while all of these people are left unserved.

Regards,
Valerie Hurt
8130 Blackburn Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90048
Hi Councilmember O'Farrell,

This is Claudia Oliveira who went ice skating with you and the LAPD team; we also met each other in Sacramento when I was working on SB225.

The County has been working on purchasing the St Vincent for over a year when it was first for sale. I had a meeting with the CEO of RED's Office for the LA County and they are going to put a bid now that is up for sale again.

So it's already in the works.

Warmest regards,

Claudia Oliveira

Sent from my iPhone
Thank you for advocating for St. Vincents

Loree Bryer <loreeb212@gmail.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  
Wed, Jan 22, 2020 at 5:15 AM

Dear Mr. O'Farrell – I do not live in your District but must thank you for supporting the purchase of St. Vincent.  
It is the right thing to do and I hope you are successful. 
I also hope our law enforcement agencies begin to cooperate and we regain some balance as to how to have safe neighborhoods. 

Loree
I am in favor of the purchasing and repurposing of SVMC

1 message

Elvis Amaya <elvisamaya48@gmail.com>
To: "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Wed, Jan 22, 2020 at 2:06 AM

Hello council member Mitch O, Farrell

My name is Elvis Amaya and I live very close to the SVMC and it has been apart of my life ever since I moved to Los Angeles. I used to go to the community center the hospital provided until it was shut down due to budget issues. I now work in the Lake street community center and I see hat the hospital is no longer going to be functioning and it bring me great sadness because SVMC was he first hospital in Los Angeles. I fully support your proposal to purchase the hospital and give it a second life as assisted living for former homeless families. I truly believe this would be the best way to live up to the name of the saint who dedicated his life helping families in there darkest times.

Sincerely Elvis Amaya

P.s I have a Boy Scout troop in Lakestreet community center troop 2131 and we see how much you care for your district. Much love god bless.
St. Vincent's Hospital
1 message

Catherine Girod <cgirod.13@gmail.com>
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 10:01 PM

Councilman O'Farrell -

Please make the purchase of St. Vincent's a reality. This is the kind of project I want my tax dollars to support.

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Thank you,
Catherine Girod, M.A.
Archaeologist
Garcia and Associates (GANDA)
213-841-0895
Hello Mitch

Writing to say that we fully support the plan to convert the old St. Vincent Medical Center into housing for the homeless. Seems like a fantastic place as it already has offices/ kitchen etc. that will be able to facilitate support personnel. We have a family member who is battling mental health issues and is often homeless, we can see what a difference (safe) nights sleep and a good meal does for him. Yes 'issues' are still there but that extra edge of exhaustion induced paranoia & anxiety dissipate and he is nearly his 'old self'.

We are not experts but observation with our relative - yes, he needs treatment, and probably medication - but we realized that when people dealing with mental illness go on medication doctors stress that a 'routine' is very important. People need to take their meds at a certain time, avoid stress, get enough sleep, have healthy meals, see counselors all on a schedule. It's hard enough for homeless people to find a bathroom let alone 'stay on schedule.'

It seems that if folks (even if they have problems) get some kind of safe housing first it will be much easier for them to start, and then maintain a healthier lifestyle vs expecting somebody living on the street to bootstrap it up before they see any compassion or dignity.

Thank you for trying new ways to help our unhoused neighbors.

Lisa & Ned Neidhardt
Councilmember O'Farrell,

I wholeheartedly support your idea for the City of Los Angeles to purchase the soon-to-close St. Vincent campus, and repurpose the location as housing and mental health services.
If this project comes to fruition, then perhaps other housing possibilities will emerge from other vacant buildings around the city.
The crisis we now face did not spring upon us overnight. Likewise, it will be the celebration of many small victories that eventually lead to a place where there is ample shelter for all.

Best,

Darin Williams | President
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Pasadena, CA 91105
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I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

Tova Goodman <Tova.Goodman.271726870@p2a.co>  Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 8:53 PM
Reply-To: tovagoodman@gmail.com
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

Times of crises require bold leadership. The ability to quickly decide that St. Vincent Medical Center is an efficient and effective use of LA city resources to address this issue is what Los Angeles needs right now.

I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,
Tova Goodman
3346 Casitas Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90039
Dear Council Member O’Farrell,

I urge you to support the re-purposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

I’d like to one step further and ask that you support Measure R which will pave the way for creating facilities like the St. Vincent’s proposal. For any questions on the matter please reach out.

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Regards,
KRISTINA WARSHOFSKY
1642 Elevado St
Los Angeles, CA 90026
I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

Ingrid Popper <Ingrid.Popper.271725006@p2a.co>
Reply-To: ingridpop@yahoo.com
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>
Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 8:33 PM

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

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Regards,
Ingrid Popper
1618 N Benton Way
Los Angeles, CA 90026
I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

Kate Grodd <Kate.Grodd.271723224@p2a.co>  
Reply-To: kate.grodd@gmail.com  
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>  
Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 8:17 PM

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles. I am deeply alarmed that we have not yet fully addressed this humanitarian crisis.

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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing. Please help our most vulnerable population. It is your duty.

Regards,
Kate Grodd
4302 Avocado St
Los Angeles, CA 90027
Please Act Now on St. Vincent Medical Center
1 message

Tracy Cook <Tracy.Cook.271718950@p2a.co> Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 7:40 PM
Reply-To: byjove2@gmail.com
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

I urge you to support the re-purposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and re-purposing.

Regards,
Tracy Cook
109 N Sycamore Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90036
Councilmember,
Thank you for supporting repurposing St Vincent's as affordable and supportive housing. We are in need of innovative solutions to solve our housing crisis.
Thank you
Guy Penini
Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

I urge you to support the re-purposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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Regards,

Tim Warner
3829 Hollypark PI
Los Angeles, CA 90039
Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

I urge you to support the re-purposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and re-purposing.

Regards,

Andrea Legacki
1055 N Kingsley Dr
Los Angeles, CA 90029
Hello,

I'm a resident of Rampart Village and saw the Steve Lopez op-Ed about St. Vincent Hospital. Thank you for elevating the opportunity and proposing that the city buy it for housing and services to support folks experiencing homelessness.

I'm writing to ask that City Council, Hilda Solis and Mayor Garcetti approve this. Like Steve said, it's been three years since HHH has passed and we have almost nothing to show for it!

Thank you for raising this issue. I'll be following closely and sharing with friends.
I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

Laura Mohai <Laura.Mohai.271706359@p2a.co> Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 6:10 PM

To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,
Laura Mohai
945 N Serrano Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90029
Dear Council Member O’Farrell,

I urge you to support the re-purposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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I hope you and the other council members will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and re-purposing. This is exactly the kind of bold, out of the box thinking we need to help solve our homeless crisis here in Los Angeles. Thank you for leading with compassion.

Regards,

Emiliana Dore
3941 Veselich Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90039
Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center and to turn its parking lot immediately into safe parking. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing as supportive housing.

Regards,

Amelie Cherlin
4343 Finley Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90027
Please Act Now on St. Vincent Medical Center

Helen Eigenberg <Helen.Eigenberg.271694560@p2a.co>  
Reply-To: hm.eigenberg@gmail.com  
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>  
Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 4:58 PM

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

I urge you to support the re-purposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and re-purposing.

Regards,
Helen Eigenberg
611 Lillian Way
Los Angeles, CA 90004
I Support the Repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!
1 message

maureen cassidy <maureen.cassidy.271688404@p2a.co>  Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 4:21 PM
Reply-To: mcassidy22@gmail.com
To: Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,
maureen cassidy
1644 Sargent Pl
Los Angeles, CA 90026
St. Vincent's

1 message

Sally Nemeth <salgalnemeth@gmail.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  

Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 4:18 PM

Dear Councilman O'Farrell -

I'm enthusiastic about the idea of having the city acquire St. Vincent's hospital as a treatment center and transitional home for those in our community who are living on the streets or in their vehicles. It really is a no-brainer. I'd encourage the council to also identify other vacant structures throughout the city that might be similarly repurposed. It just makes more sense than building from the ground up.

Best,
Sally Nemeth
in support of converting St Vincent's hospital to homeless services

Kyle Video Edit <elpresidenteshinobi@gmail.com>
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Don't be stupid. Do this. Do it now. And do it with all the other vacant buildings downtown too. So many properties could be brought up to code and repurposed but the city is spending $700k per unit with new ones. use your brains.

Kyle Remmenga
90028
Los Angeles CA
Dear Council Member O'Farrell,

As a Los Angeles resident, I urge you to support the repurposing of the St. Vincent Medical Center. As you are well aware, we are in a state of crisis with our homeless population in Los Angeles.

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I hope you and the other councilmembers will act swiftly to move forward with the St. Vincent Medical Center acquisition and repurposing.

Regards,
Nicole Abeckett
6218 Lexington Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90038
St. Vincent Medical Center
1 message

Kristen Miller Abraham <kjabrahem@gmail.com> Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 2:48 PM
To: "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Hello,

I am all in favor of repurposing St. Vincent Medical Center for housing the homeless!

Sincerely,
Kristen Abraham
1621 Redcliff St, Los Angeles, CA 90026
Tim Bob Thunderhorse <Timoutwest@aol.com>  
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org  

Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 1:28 PM  

To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Mitch, for St Vincent plan to work you need imo to address the people that won't live indoors off the street.

They will never leave the predatory street life (insert here all the terms always talked about and nothing done).

Suggest you take a look at purposing surplus areas, like parkland, airport buffer zones, etc and building organized supervised designated temporary sanitary tent cabin service communities like the feds did in the 1930’s, like in Arvin CA as seen in the movie Grapes of Wrath, and call them CAMP DIGNITY.

In winter those inclined could retreat to St Joseph’s

Then Los Angeles could remove effectively all the blue tarps and feces forever rigidly enforcing choices for a clean community

Such a plan exists on paper if interested

Sincerely

Tim Bob Thunderhorse  
P.O. Box 1028  
Los Angeles  
90078
To Mitch O'Farrell,

Having read about your idea of using the St Vincent's hospital as a center for homeless services, I whole heartedly support you in this effort, and furthermore, applaud you for the originality of this idea!

There is no single solution to homelessness, but having a center that addresses and facilitates an individual's needs in such a direct way is a step in the right direction!

Thank You!

Gary Guidinger
St Vincent's - Homeless shelter
1 message

Barbara Lozano <blo1124@yahoo.com>  
To: "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 1:16 PM

I am writing in support of purchasing St Vincent’s (sadly, soon to be closed) Med Center and transforming the facility into a shelter for the homeless in LA. This facility can easily be transformed into a shelter to house and treat those who have medical (mental health or addiction) issues. This would be a much faster alternative than building shelters from the ground up - shift the funds from those already allocated for the homeless crisis into refurbishing the med center.

thank you,
Barbara Lozano
2344 Fletcher Drive - 90039
13th District
Dear Mitch,

I'm definitely supportive of your motion to look into re-purposing St. Vincent's as a temporary housing facility and service center for homeless people. Thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,
Patrick Cleary
In favor of adapting St. Vincent Hospital for homeless crisis

Anne Schwarz <anne.schwarz@outlook.com>  
To: "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>  
Tue, Jan 21, 2020 at 1:02 PM

I am writing in support of the city investigating the feasibility of adapting the soon-to-close St. Vincent’s Hospital for use in addressing our homeless crisis.

The purchase and adaptation of the hospital could create supportive housing much faster than the slow building process that the city is going through.

The hospital can provide shelter, beds, medical rooms/equipment for health and addiction clinics, meal service if needed, and is close to transit for those who work. I would also suggest that space could be adapted for winter shelters too, and a permanent shower/hygiene site for people who are not living there.

This would be a big win for the city and for the people who are in need.

Anne Schwarz  
2237 Avon St.  
LA 90026
Dear Councilmember O'Farrell:

I hope this email finds you doing well, and thank you for your outstanding work in Los Angeles. I have heard great things about you over the years, and although I haven't had the pleasure of meeting you, I have met many of your colleagues. I am writing to you in regards to St. Vincent getting converted to a homeless shelter, as I am interested in becoming your security provider for this project. I have been educated on dealing with the homeless and the laws protecting them. I have a lot of passion for the homeless, have several properties on Skid Row, and I believe that I could do a tremendous job of keeping St. Vincent under control.

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Louis Perry, and I am the founder and president of Kadima Security Services, Inc., Diplomate of ABC Homeland Security, Inspector of California State Athletic Commission, and Honorary Member of the International Police Association, Delegate of Stevenson Ranch District 13, and L.A.P.D. Certified Community Police. Also, I am a security correspondent for CBS2, KCAL9, KZLA, FOX 11, and many other TV networks.

Kadima Security specializes in providing outstanding security services to protect and ensure your assets at exceptional rates. It would be an honor for Kadima Security to provide you with our services and have you as part of our elite clientele in the greater Los Angeles area.

To learn more about Kadima Security Services, Inc. and me, please take a moment to visit www.kadimasecurity.com. You can also view my most recent interview on Fox News by going to www.foxnews.com and searching Beyond the Dream: Louis Perry. Finally, you can also join me in my experience by visiting my website www.LouisPerry.net.

Thank you in advance for your consideration, and if I can be of your assistance with any of your security needs, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very Best,

Louis Perry

Founder & President – Kadima Security Services, Inc.

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U.S. Ranger – Emergency Response Corps
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2 attachments
Louis Perry - Business Cards.jpg 1475K
Upadated Promo Packet 2019 2.0.pdf 7402K
Dear Councilman O’Farrell,

My name is Gabriel Carabello, MD. Unfortunately, I was a physician on staff at St. Vincent Medical Center which is about to close in a few days. I just finished reading an article that St. Vincent may be used for housing of the homeless and services for mental health and substance abuse.

The reason for writing to you is that I am owner of property in Boyle Heights that could be potentially be utilized in the same capacity as for St. Vincent Medical Center. It is a 20,600 square foot piece of land, located on a signalized corner at 3400 East 1st, LA, CA 90063.

The land is currently occupied by a tenant whose lease expires in 8 months.

If the property is of any interest to you for development, purchase, leasing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Gabriel G. Carabello, MD
213-700-4294
Good Morning/ Good Afternoon,

Here is some information for your review/ consideration !! Thank you so much !!! Have a Great Day !!!

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PUT SOME GRATITUDE IN YOUR ATTITUDE ! (R)
I support the repurposing of St. Vincent Medical Center!

1 message

maryanne <maryanne@singersells.com>       Wed, Feb 5, 2020 at 5:45 PM
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Councilperson O'Farrell,

My name is Mary Anne Singer. I am writing to give you my strong support for converting the St. Vincent Medical Center into Supportive Housing and Services for People who are experiencing Homelessness. Please take action on this issue which would help make the city a better/safe place for those in need.

Thank you so much for your efforts to solve this crisis in our city.

Mary Anne Singer
254 South Vendome St. Apt 1
Los Angeles 90057

213 910 5937
Dear Councilman O'Farrell,

I wanted to write in support and thank you for championing increasing affordable housing in our district. Land is at such a premium here in Los Angeles, especially Central LA, that the opportunity to create a large affordable housing complex to serve the homeless right in MacArthur Park is wonderful and much needed.

I love the idea of more and more bridge housing and other housing projects, as I live on a block in East Hollywood with a large encampment at the end of it. So many homeless people live in MacArthur Park who clearly need rehab and mental health services, and this project totally makes sense in being able to meet their needs.

Please keep up the great work in tackling our homeless and housing crises!

Sincerely,
Allison Mannos