



CALL FOR TEMPORARY SHELTERS TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN EAST PALO ALTO!

The City of East Palo Alto is seeking to expand capacity to provide its unhoused residents with temporary shelter options and safe parking locations for RVs and vehicles within the city.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

The City has been working in close partnership with the County of San Mateo and service providers LifeMoves and Project WeHOPE since 2020 to offer interim and permanent housing, as well as case management services to unhoused East Palo Alto residents.

To facilitate these services, the City is seeking Master Temporary Use Permit applications from local nonprofits and faith communities to help the City with interim housing solutions in East Palo Alto (aka “Master TUP Program for Temporary Shelter”).

THE PROCESS

A Temporary Use Permit (“TUP”) is a permit that allows for short-term use of a site, such as safe overnight parking or overnight shelter. TUP applications require review and approval by the City and Menlo Park Fire Protection District.

The **Master TUP Program for Temporary Shelter** is a streamlined process that consists of a single application containing all applicable site standards and conditions for different types of temporary housing, including safe overnight parking, on a variety of properties. Applicants can apply for a single property or for a multi-site program, such as a rotating shelter, for up to 12 months at a time.

Potential applicants wishing to dedicate a portion of existing space, such as a community room in a church, as a temporary shelter, must demonstrate that the area meets basic safety requirements.

This Master TUP program is designed to alleviate the immediate need for housing in East Palo Alto. Applicants will be required to demonstrate how the program prioritizes East Palo Alto residents experiencing homelessness.

Up to four (4) applicants may get up to \$15,000 in permit fees waived or reimbursed on a first-come-first serve basis.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you would like more information regarding the Master TUP program and how to prepare an application, please contact the Planning and Housing Divisions at CEDD at planning@cityofepa.org and housing@cityofepa.org.

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