

Board of Supervisors Meeting

Meeting Time: 12-05-23 09:00

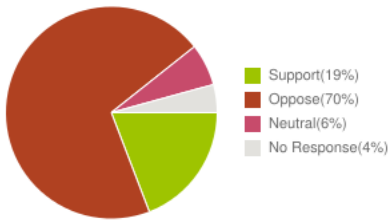
eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
Board of Supervisors Meeting	12-05-23 09:00	49	47	9	33	3

Sentiments for All Meetings

The following graphs display sentiments for comments that have location data. Only locations of users who have commented will be shown.

Overall Sentiment



Board of Supervisors Meeting

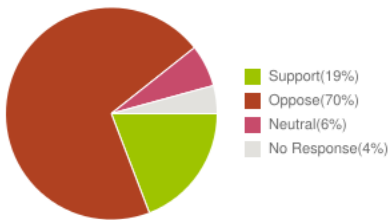
12-05-23 09:00

Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
30. ENHANCING HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND RELIEF: SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR ASYLUM SEEKING MIGRANTS [FUNDING SOURCE: EXISTING GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]	47	9	33	3

Sentiments for All Agenda Items

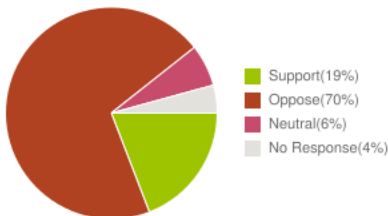
The following graphs display sentiments for comments that have location data. Only locations of users who have commented will be shown.

Overall Sentiment



Agenda Item: eComments for 30. ENHANCING HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND RELIEF: SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR ASYLUM SEEKING MIGRANTS [FUNDING SOURCE: EXISTING GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]

Overall Sentiment



Monte Jones

Location: San Diego

Submitted At: 7:50pm 12-05-23

SBCS has been an amazing organization support this project. Theu should applauded for their work. This has been a complete transparent project.

Kathleen Lippitt

Location: 92064, Poway

Submitted At: 7:24pm 12-05-23

Resources should be spent responsibility and directed to the needs of the residents County supervisors were elected to serve. Their needs should be prioritized over spending another \$3 million dollars serving the needs of asylum seekers. A more restrictive definition for claiming seeking asylum needs to be followed. Migrants are coached to use specific language to justify asylum which is an abuse of the intent to grant asylum for those

whose lives are at risk in their country of origin.

Jessica Ripper

Location: 92104, San Diego
Submitted At: 7:08pm 12-05-23

I support the allocation of \$3.0 million for asylum seeking migrants but with the caveat that you listen to the many organizations who oppose the current proposal. I urge you to amend the Request for Proposal and allow nonprofits and grassroots groups who have a long history of equitable, humane care for migrants to access the funding. The revised agreement should include support for people at the Open-Air Detention Sites and allow small nonprofits and faith institutions to access these funds.

Esmeralda Flores

Location: 92139, San Diego
Submitted At: 6:26pm 12-05-23

CHIRLA appreciates the County of SD past allocation of federal funding to support efforts to provide temporary assistance for people seeking asylum. All levels of government must step up to support this moment. No person seeking safety from violence and persecution should be left on the streets of San Diego. We ask the county to also include those stuck at the Open-Air Detention Sites as part of the population that will benefit from any future funds for humanitarian response.

David Jay

Location: 92104, San Diego
Submitted At: 6:01pm 12-05-23

While I support allocation of additional funding to address the pressing needs of those who CPB release onto our communities' streets, it is important that the County ensures funding gets to the on-the-ground organizations that are working daily to respond to the most pressing, often overlooked concerns. Please open an RFP process to ensure those doing the work get the funding they need.

Bias Wilson

Location: 92173, San Ysidro
Submitted At: 5:22pm 12-05-23

I support the funding to SBCS

Saad Asad

Location: 92103, SAN DIEGO
Submitted At: 4:54pm 12-05-23

Providing humanitarian aid and trauma-informed care to highly vulnerable newly arrived refugees represents San Diego's longstanding moral values of compassion. These services will address urgent basic needs, provide navigation assistance, ensure refugees can safely connect with families or sponsors, give access to legal counsel, and supply other essential early interventions that uphold dignity for all. I urge the Board to approve this modest policy.

Jackeline Wilson

Location: 92154, San Diego
Submitted At: 4:48pm 12-05-23

I, Jackie Wilson Pastor of Getsemani Church, support the humanitarian funding to continue helping asylum seeker by providing shelter, food, clothing and transportation. I'll like to add that there's a group of small nonprofit organizations that are also on the ground helping many of this asylum seekers who are also in needs if funding.

Leeda Fox

Location: 92021, Lakeside
Submitted At: 4:03pm 12-05-23

SBCS acts like a for profit business. They do not treat their employees well and do not pay them fair wages. They should not receive any more County funds.

Amanda Schnitzius

Location: 92037, La Jolla
Submitted At: 3:53pm 12-05-23

I have volunteered my time and efforts since May to help with the humanitarian crisis along our border, and although I strongly support enhancing humanitarian support for asylum seekers, I oppose SBCS receiving more money with no accountability for using the funds effectively. Our community, our grassroots volunteers, and these migrants deserve to have the money go to organizations that will fulfill contracted obligations with transparency instead of relieving CBP of their transportation duties.

Kat Schroeder

Location: 92123, San Diego
Submitted At: 3:25pm 12-05-23

SBCS should not get another round of funding after their mismanagement with the last funds. Redirect this money to solutions that actually go to migrant relief, cover immediate needs first, and address the human rights violations that are happening in Open Air Detention Sites!

Esther Sanchez

Location: 92054, Oceanside
Submitted At: 2:12pm 12-05-23

I, Mayor Esther Sanchez, write in support of Agenda Item 30, submitted by Chair Vargas and Supervisor Anderson, extending the contract with SBCS through March 2024, using ARPA Federal funds. Our city has been urging Border Patrol to return Asylum Seekers taken to San Clemente for processing back to the border region, to SBCS, to lessen the transportation costs to SBCS and instead for SBCS to more effectively use those valuable dollars to assist Asylum Seekers to continue on their journeys. TY!

Denna Cleary

Location: 92084, Vista
Submitted At: 1:53pm 12-05-23

I oppose allocation of taxpayer funds for what is a federal responsibility

Steven Nieder

Location: 92110, San Diego
Submitted At: 12:12pm 12-05-23

SBCS mismanaged and blew through 3 billion with those who have been on the ground before and after them seeing no meaningful change or improvement in the situation. The people doing the most work and helping even more people than SBCS are doing it with no more than lunch money in their pockets. Money needs to be given in a way that would improve the situation. The last 3 million only has everyone wondering where it went. It improved nothing.

Julia Lynne

Location: 92078, San Marcos
Submitted At: 12:00pm 12-05-23

I am opposed to using the general purpose revenue to fund support for asylum seekers. Aren't asylum seekers part of the federal government's liabilities/responsibilities especially since we would not have these costs if the federal government had secured our borders like they are supposed to? We are a border county and desperately need the federal government to have an organized and a reasonable control policy at our borders. We need to hold the federal government accountable.

Maria Horsley

Location: 92107, San Diego
Submitted At: 11:57am 12-05-23

The initial \$3 million that was given to SBCS was grossly mismanaged. Only 19% was allocated to direct aid, no funds were allocated to the open air detention centers and to the groups who have been feeding and caring for those folks for over 80 days, and funds were needlessly/inappropriately distributed to CBP for transportation costs. Human rights abuses are being committed at the open air detention sites and funds should largely be dedicated to direct aid and the appropriate infrastructure.

Craig Huitema

Location: SAN DIEGO

Submitted At: 11:57am 12-05-23

As a San Diego resident, I was strongly opposed to the first \$3M of our local tax dollars being wasted on this, and I am even more opposed of another \$3M being wasted. Supervisors - stop facilitating this insanity. You are reinforcing abdication of responsibility from the federal government and you are incentivizing more foreigners to invade San Diego (tens of thousands entering illegally in the last couple months is indeed an invasion).

Alissa Tu

Location: 92092, La Jolla

Submitted At: 11:37am 12-05-23

Adding my voice in support of On-the-Ground organizations flagging the mismanagement of asylum seeker relief funds by South Bay Community Services. Only 19% of the first three million went to direct aid to asylum seekers. Where has the rest gone? The lack of transparency in how it helps our migrant communities is appalling. The County BOS needs to redirect its approach to funding and step up in leadership to address Open Air Detention Sites!

Emily Yang

Location: 92037, La Jolla

Submitted At: 11:29am 12-05-23

I'm a resident of San Diego and I am adding my voice in support of On-the-Ground organizations flagging the mismanagement of asylum seeker relief funds by South Bay Community Services. Their mismanagement of 3M dollars has done nothing to support the migrants trapped at the border and that money is sorely needed by the other groups offering actual humanitarian aid to the people at the border, such as Al Otro Lado and Border Kindness.

Kira Jacobson

Location: 92104, San Diego

Submitted At: 11:23am 12-05-23

I am in strong opposition to further funds being funneled through SBCS. Their mismanagement of 3M dollars has done nothing to support the migrants trapped at the border and that money is sorely needed by the other groups offering actual humanitarian aid to the people at the border, such as Al Otro Lado and Border Kindness.

Kathleen Melonakos

Location: 92025, Escondido

Submitted At: 11:02am 12-05-23

Stop giving illegals endless incentives to come here. Three million dollars is a lot of the people's money. If it is going to be spent, it should be spent on U.S. citizens that need help such as the homeless, the mentally ill and the vaccine injured. Stop rewarding lawlessness. Joel Anderson will no longer be endorsed by Reform California or other common sense groups if he votes for this. Thanks to Jim Desmond for speaking out to oppose more profligate spending on non-citizens.

Kathleen Melonakos

Location: 92025, Escondido

Submitted At: 11:02am 12-05-23

Stop giving illegals endless incentives to come here. Three million dollars is a lot of the people's money. If it is going to be spent, it should be spent on U.S. citizens that need help such as the homeless, the mentally ill and the vaccine injured. Stop rewarding lawlessness. Joel Anderson will no longer be endorsed by Reform California or other common sense groups if he votes for this. Thanks to Jim Desmond for speaking out to oppose more profligate spending on non-citizens.

Ian Seruelo

Location: 92124, San Diego

Submitted At: 10:30am 12-05-23

My name is Ian Seruelo, I am a member of the APALA-San Diego and a resident of District 2. While I strongly support the humanitarian efforts of welcoming migrants & asylum seekers, I am opposed to this Agenda Item as it

provides funding to SBCS, an entity who has already proven to be irresponsible, wasteful, and non-transparent in managing the initial \$3 million granted by the county. The money should instead be granted to other competent organization/s who has been on the ground from day one.

Elena Thompson

Location: 92024, Encinitas
Submitted At: 10:03am 12-05-23

Not the county's responsibility, just say NO, OPPOSE. A rabbit hole of spending with no end in sight.

Daniel Duarte

Location: 92114, San Diego
Submitted At: 9:39am 12-05-23

I support the funds to help our migrant community. I believe that these funds should also reach our small non-profit organizations like Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Barrio Logan as congregations in Oceanside that have volunteers help and keep our migrant families safe and warm. Please find a way so that small NGO's can get help as well. Money is not distributed the right way.

Teri Jacobs

Location: 92008, Carlsbad
Submitted At: 9:03am 12-05-23

To come here legally one needs a sponsor, medical evaluation, extensive background checks, personal interview, etc. If the process (though difficult) is followed the need for funding would be greatly diminished. There are thousands of homeless citizens that could benefit from \$3 million dollars.

Jacquelyne Vaughan

Location: 92115, San Diego
Submitted At: 9:01am 12-05-23

I'm a resident of SD and I am adding my voice in support of On-the-Ground orgs flagging the mismanagement of asylum seeker relief funds by SBCS. I am concerned that NO money has gone to support the OADS. The County BOS needs to redirect its approach to funding and step up in leadership to address OADS. There NEEDS to be multilateral decisions made and long term funding. Our migrant family deserves a dignified welcome and FULL respect of their human rights. Step up NOW and show us you care.

Allison Turner

Location: 92105, San Diego
Submitted At: 9:01am 12-05-23

I have been volunteering to support migrants since September. I oppose this measure - SBCS has wasted the first sum of money awarded, leaving migrants in dangerous, precarious positions. I urge the board of supervisors to listen to the concerns of the organizations who have been caring for our new neighbors. Please don't give my tax money to SBCS for them to fritter away. Let's push back on CBP, and allocate the funds to orgs that actually care for people, like Al Otro Lado and Border Kindness.

Tori Mullenix

Location: 91977, Spring Valley
Submitted At: 9:00am 12-05-23

I'm a resident of San Diego, adding my voice in support of On-the Ground organizations flagging the mismanagement of asylum seeker relief funds by South Bay Community Services. I am concerned that only 19% of the 1st 3 million went to direct aid to asylum seekers and that CBP has been allowed to have its transportation costs covered by relief funds.

The County BOS needs to redirect its approach to funding and step up in leadership to address Open Air Detention Sites.

Jason Chan

Location: 92127, San diego
Submitted At: 9:00am 12-05-23

SBCS has been wasteful with the original \$3 million. They have been irresponsibly dropping people off at the

airport without food or plans for onward travel. This need as well as assistance at the outdoor detention centers has been filled by volunteers who have had to come out of pocket to support this effort. These dollars can be better spent by other organizations like Border Kindness, El Otro Lado, Universidad Popular who have been supporting migrants on self funded shoestring budgets

Caifen Smith

Location:

Submitted At: 8:59am 12-05-23

I'm a resident of San Diego

and I am adding my voice in support of On-the-Ground organizations flagging the mismanagement of asylum seeker relief funds by South Bay Community Services. ONLY 19% of the 1st \$3 million went to direct aid to asylum seekers in the form of onward travel, shelter, and food.

The County BOS needs to redirect its approach to funding and address Open Air Detention Sites.

Our migrant friends and family deserved a dignified welcome that addresses immediate needs first.

indigo curtis

Location: 91932, imperial beach

Submitted At: 8:58am 12-05-23

The County needs to redirect this approach and funding to address OPEN AIR DETENTION SITES. A CHILD HAS DIED IN JACUMBA. The bulk of the funds need to be redirected to relief for migrants, not just 19%. We must allow groups with experience working with migrants who are on the ground to have input into these decisions. We must allow these groups to create a long term infrastructure. THOUSANDS of people with CHILDREN are staying outdoors in harsh conditions WITH NO FOOD OR SHELTER!

Kelly Callejo

Location:

Submitted At: 8:58am 12-05-23

I'm a resident of San Diego, and in support of On-the-Ground orgs flagging the mismanagement of asylum seeker relief funds by South Bay Community Services. I am concerned that no funding has been allocated to address the Humanitarian Crisis at Open Air Detention sites. A bulk of funds needs to be redirected for relief for migrants to address immediate needs. The County BOS needs to redirect its approach to funding and step up in leadership to address Open Air Detention Sites. More has to be done

Casey Shirk

Location: 91950, National City

Submitted At: 8:51am 12-05-23

Good morning,

I have been a volunteer at the US-MX border since mid-September, and I have witnessed the power that community holds when it comes to taking care of our own. SBCS has failed our community with their inappropriate fund allocation and their utter lack of attention to the needs of migrants. I beseech you to listen to the organizations who have been on the ground at OADS. They know the migrants, the volunteers, and their needs. The funding needs to go to folks who know how to use it.

Yerin Kwak

Location: 92037, San diego

Submitted At: 8:50am 12-05-23

These funds should be used to actually help migrants instead of going to SBCS, who mismanaged the previous \$3 million and only used 19% of it on actual migrant relief. The county BOS needs to redirect its approach to funding

Esther Choi

Location: 92104, San Diego

Submitted At: 8:46am 12-05-23

I'm writing to oppose \$3 million being awarded to SBCS due to its egregious, irresponsible use of funds, with only

19% of funds being used for direct aid while non-affiliated volunteers use their own time and money to make sure migrants don't starve. Funds should be reallocate to groups on the ground such as Al Otro Lado and need to address the human rights crisis at open air detention sites. These inhumane sites should be closed and asylum seekers sheltered and fed with public funds. SBCS scam.

John Prefer Not to Say

Location:

Submitted At: 8:41am 12-05-23

I have volunteered since May to provide humanitarian aid to migrants being held in Open Air Detention Sites and to asylum seekers released on San Diego streets, and I oppose this measure. The previous \$3M has not gone towards protecting migrants nor our community, and local citizens are still using their time and resources to provide relief. Please open a contract bidding process, make budgets publicly available, and ensure long-term infrastructure to respond to a wide range of arrivals.

Elyse Dilloway

Location: 92120, San Diego

Submitted At: 8:30am 12-05-23

The Board of Supervisors should reject Item 30 as it is an inefficient and selfish use of funding that is meant to assist refugees and asylum seekers at our southern border. CBP uses relief funds to cover their travel costs when there is no need for this. Refugees are left abandoned in the cold with no food, water, or instructions and only the help of volunteer groups. Under SBCS, only 19% of the 1st \$3mil directly aided asylum seekers. The rights of asylum seekers are being violated.

Robin Maxson

Location: 92065, RAMONA

Submitted At: 8:08am 12-05-23

Support this need, but believe we should be "billing" the Federal government for providing services that are their responsibility.

Barbara Belcher

Location: 92115, San Diego

Submitted At: 7:09pm 12-04-23

Funding should be from the Federal government directly; any County funds utilized for these purposes should be reimbursed by the federal government.

Sam Smith

Location: 92010

Submitted At: 6:39pm 12-04-23

ARPA was intended for San Diego county residents, not immigrants. Covid policies destroyed San Diego county resident's lives, livelihoods and businesses. It's still a mess here.

Stephani Baxter

Location: 92028, Fallbrook

Submitted At: 6:32pm 12-04-23

OPPOSE. This invasion is a result of FEDERAL policy and should be financially remedied with federal dollars, not County funds.

Pamela Tortorici

Location: 92124, SAN DIEGO

Submitted At: 2:33pm 12-04-23

Surprise, more money requested. How many people did the \$3M help? How? Who is holding the NGOs accountable for now \$6M? Did the previous \$3M help the 300+ people in the SD airport? None of this is humanitarian for anyone - American citizens, legal residents and especially the children being trafficked across the border and around this country. Any and all \$\$\$ should be used to "re-admit" the illegal migrants to their country of origin.

Corbin Sabol

Location: 91935, Jamul

Submitted At: 1:35pm 12-04-23

I oppose the allocation of taxpayer dollars for asylum seekers because our country is 33 trillion dollars in debt and we have enough problems to fix in our country. American taxes should be spent on Americans, such as getting the homeless off the streets.

Caroline TheissAird

Location: 92081, Vista

Submitted At: 11:08am 12-04-23

We are a safe haven here in the USA and we must provide life saving food, water, humanitarian assistance like warm clothing and transportation assistance to their final destination. As a volunteer at Oceanside Transit Center I was appalled by the reception our asylum seeking neighbors received from DHS after suffering so much trauma on their journey. Volunteers and non-profits cannot continue this work without government support and we cannot turn our backs on humanity without losing our own.

Chris Cecil

Location: 92117, San diego

Submitted At: 3:56pm 12-03-23

Not one penny more. Please stop the insanity our nation is being invaded and the Democratic party wants to form Migrant camps in our national parks. I strongly encourage San Diego county and city governments not to give one cent more to this lawlessness. Invasion is not a human right period

Paul Henkin

Location: 91902, Bonita

Submitted At: 10:18am 11-30-23

We cannot continue to fund a Federal Problem which only gets worse. We need solutions, not more temporary fixes. For instance, several homeowners in Jacumba have complained about the damage to their property caused by migrants You could sue for damages.

However, once you do this, or something else to stop this apparently never-ending flood, please set up a 'welcome center' for the refugees in Jacumba.