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# CCMU and BHJIS Working Meeting

Discussion on the Homeless Encampment Executive Order

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# Today's Agenda

- **Review of Executive Order N-1-24**
- **Panel Discussion on Executive Order N-1-24 with Tracy Police Department & San Joaquin County BHS personnel**
- **Open Discussion and Q & A**

# Executive Order N-1-24

California Executive Order N-1-24, issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on July 25, 2024, directs state agencies to take immediate action to clear homeless encampments located on state property. The order prioritizes the removal of encampments that pose significant safety risks to both the community and the individuals living within them. The executive order also encourages local governments to adopt similar measures.

This order follows a recent Supreme Court decision in *City of Grants Pass, Oregon v. Johnson et al.*, which clarified that cities could enforce anti-camping laws without violating the Eighth Amendment, even when no alternative housing is available. The decision effectively removed some legal barriers that had previously limited the ability of local governments to manage encampments.

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The executive order mandates that state agencies conduct these clearings in a "humane and dignified" manner. This includes providing advance notice to those living in the encampments, storing their belongings for at least 60 days, and coordinating with service providers to offer assistance to the unhoused individuals affected by these actions.

The order has sparked significant debate. Supporters argue it is a necessary step to address the growing homelessness crisis and to ensure public safety. Critics, however, contend that it criminalizes homelessness without offering adequate long-term solutions, such as affordable housing

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- Whenever feasible, site assessment in advance of removal operations to determine whether an encampment poses an imminent threat to life, health, safety or infrastructure such that exigent circumstances require immediate removal of the encampment.
- Where exigent circumstances exist, as much advance notice to vacate as reasonable under the circumstances.

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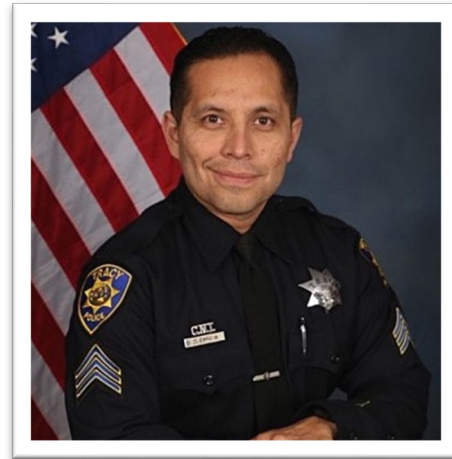
- Where no exigent circumstances exist, posting of a notice to vacate at the site at least 48 hours prior to initiating removal.
- Contacting of service providers to request outreach services for persons experiencing homelessness at the encampment.
- Collection, labeling, and storage for at least 60 days of personal property collected at the removal site that is not a health or safety hazard.



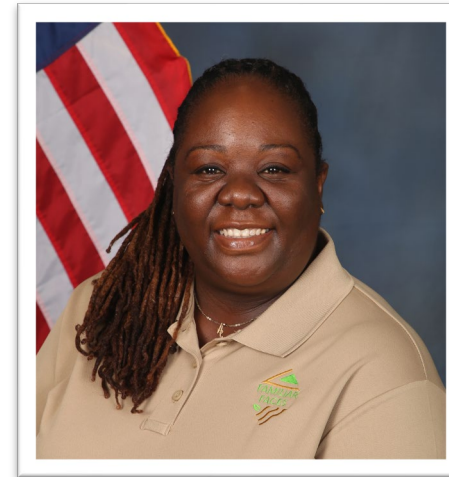
# Today's Guest Speakers



**Lieutenant Miguel Contreras**  
Community Service Division  
Tracy Police Department



**Sergeant Daniel Garcia**  
Tracy Police Department



**Ayesha Nic-Gongora**  
Homeless Outreach Coordinator  
(Familiar Faces Program)  
Tracy Police Department



**Michelle Garibaldi, LMFT**  
Chief Mental Health Clinician  
Mobile Crisis Services  
Behavioral Health Services  
San Joaquin County



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- **How will Executive Order N-1-24 change the day-to-day operations of mobile crisis teams in the county?**
  - Are there specific new responsibilities or shifts in focus that your teams will need to adopt?
- **Do you anticipate any challenges for mobile crisis teams as they work with law enforcement and other agencies to comply with this executive order?**
  - How might these challenges affect response times and service delivery for mobile crisis teams?
- **How will the order affect the coordination between mobile crisis teams and other service providers, such as homeless outreach teams, Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) or mental health services?**
  - Are new protocols being developed to enhance this coordination?

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- **What steps are being taken to prevent the criminalization of homelessness, especially for those with mental health conditions, because of this order?**
- **How will the executive order affect your approach to engaging with individuals in encampments who are experiencing mental health crises or other acute vulnerabilities?**
  - What measures are being taken to ensure these individuals receive appropriate care?
- **Are your mobile crisis teams receiving specific training or guidance to handle these sensitive situations?**
  - How are mobile crisis teams preparing to mitigate these risks?

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- **Will your mobile crisis teams prepare individuals in encampments for potential displacement?**
- **What are the potential risks or unintended consequences of this executive order for the mental health and well-being of those being displaced?**
- **Is there anything else you would like your colleagues to know?**



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# Questions?



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