County of Santa Cruz SSP Program Update

SSP Advisory Commission February 08, 2022 Rahshan Williams, SSP Program Coordinator

Current Activities – Rahshan Williams

Goals: prevent disease, link to treatment and services, improve public safety

Staffing

• CHRI Health Program Specialist

Distribution and Collection

• Encounters without syringe distribution

Safe Disposal

- Sharps Lock Boxes for City of Santa Cruz
- Kiosk repair

Enhanced Referrals

• Housing Referrals

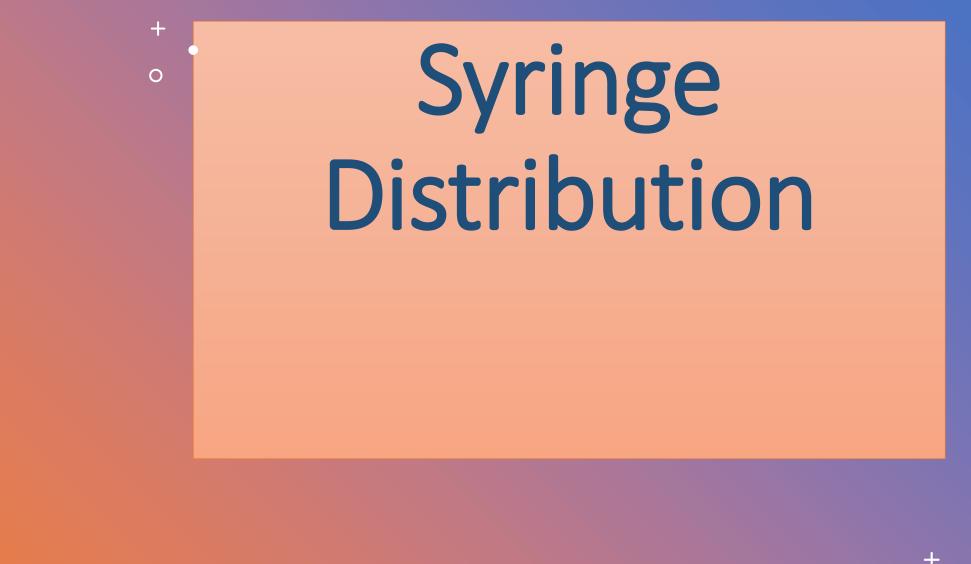
Alejandra Tepozteco

Staffing of our Watsonville Exchange and Community Outreach Fluent Spanish and EnglishCertified HIV/HCV test CounselorExperience volunteering in the S.C. Exchange

Collaborating with C.A.B.

City of Watsonville Litter Abatement organizations

Improving SSP outreach with HPHP



One for one exchange and referrals for Syringe Access

15% of our encounters in December 2021 did not include syringe distribution

Reasons for O Syringe distribution

Persons only wanting supplies

Persons using exchange for syringe disposal only

Persons who do not have syringes to exchange

Tracking education or referrals for syringe access Letting participants know our policy

Refer to clinic

Refer to pharmacy

Refer to HRC of SCC

Easier Access For Syringe Disposal

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 Distributed Syringe Lock boxes for 1220 River St. Encampment Working to Repair Kiosk on Levee at Felker St.

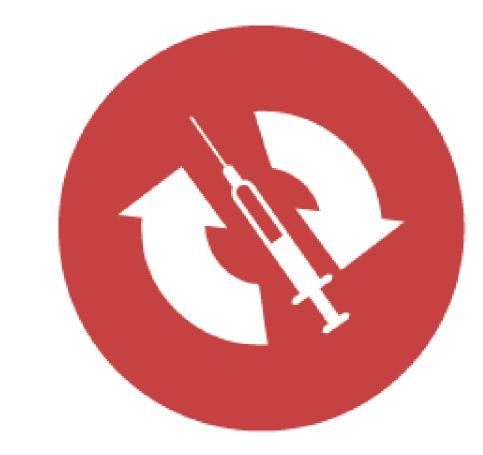
Improving Referrals



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City of Santa Cruz Managed Encampments





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