Jewish Family Service

A Community Resource Since 1918

Safe Parking Program

Jewish Family Service of San Diego (JFS) partners with people of all backgrounds to build stable and dignified lives. Together, we create a stronger and healthier community where everyone can thrive.



Safe Parking Program

• Early intervention program providing individuals and families experiencing homelessness a safe place to sleep at night and wraparound services to support their transition to permanent stable housing.

• Intervening at a crucial time to stabilize individuals and families.

• Comprehensive low-barrier program model, with individualized support.



Safe Parking Logistics



- Six safe parking sites
 - Balboa Ave 60 households
 - Aero Dr 60 households
 - Mission Valley 86 households (RV's and oversized vehicle spaces)
 - Encinitas 25 households
 - Rose Canyon- 27 households (12 onsite trailers prioritized for families with minor children)
 - Vista 25 households







JFS Safe Parking: UCSD Study

- In 2019, researchers from UC San Diego began a three-year evaluation of the JFS Safe Parking Program
- Key findings to date include:
 - For 70% of program participants, first time experiencing homelessness
 - More than 25% of program participants are older than 60, with nearly half older than 50
 - 20% of participants are members of families with children, and a little more than 14% of clients are younger than 20
 - Older heads of household take longer to exit than younger heads of household

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Evaluation of Jewish Family Service of San Diego's Safe Parking Program

Two-Year Summary Research Report

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- Affordable, available housing is number one barrier
- Older adults are a largest population and the fastest-growing
- Older adults are remaining in the program longer than other groups because they do not have the income to secure housing and units are not available
- 24-hour service was a top identified need; rolled out in Mission Valley September 2022 and Rose Canyon April 2023





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