



**City and County of San Francisco
YOUTH COMMISSION
Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee**

MINUTES

**Monday, April 24, 2023
5:30 p.m.**

IN-PERSON MEETING with REMOTE ACCESS

Members: Hayden Miller (Chair, D5), Ann Anish (Vice Chair, D7), Chloe Wong (Member, D1), Allister Adair (Member, D2), Reese Terrell (Member, D3), Emily Nguyen (Member, D11).

Present: Hayden Miller, Ann Anish, Chloe Wong, Allister Adair, Reese Terrell.

Absent: Emily Nguyen (excused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission's Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee met in-person with remote access for public comment, on April 24, 2023, with Chair Miller presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 5:31pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 5 present, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong present
Allister Adair present
Reese Terrell present
Emily Nguyen absent
Ann Anish present
Hayden Miller present



Vice Chair Anish, seconded by Commissioner Wong, motioned to excuse the absence of Commissioner Nguyen. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell aye
Emily Nguyen absent
Ann Anish aye
Hayden Miller aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

A quorum of the Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee membership was present.

2. Communications

Joshua Rudy Ochoa, Community Partnership Specialist of the SFYC, shared communications and meeting announcements with Commissioners.

3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

No discussion, and no public comment.

Commissioner Wong, seconded by Commissioner Adair, motioned to approve the April 24, 2023 Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee meeting agenda, in addition to tabling Agenda Item 6. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell aye
Emily Nguyen absent
Ann Anish aye
Hayden Miller aye

Action: Agenda Approved.



4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

- a. April 10, 2023 (Packet Materials)

No discussion, no public comment.

Commissioner Terrell, seconded by Vice Chair Anish, motioned to approve the April 10, 2023 Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee meeting minutes. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell aye
Emily Nguyen absent
Ann Anish aye
Hayden Miller aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

5. Public Comment on matters not on Today's Agenda (2 minutes per comment)

No public comment.

~~6. Presentation: Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing [HSH], Youth and TAY Homelessness (discussion & possible action)~~

- ~~a. Presenter: Dylan Schneider, HSH Manager of Policy and Legislative Affairs
i. Time Certain: 5:40pm~~

Item 6 was removed from the agenda due to the presenter canceling and rescheduling to another date.

7. Legislation Referred (discussion & possible action)

- a. **230359** - Hearing - Committee of the Whole - Report of Assessment Costs for Blighted Properties - Accelerated Sidewalk Abatement Program
- i. Hearing to consider objections to a report of assessment costs submitted by the Director of Public Works for inspection and/or repair of blighted properties ordered through the Accelerated Sidewalk Abatement Program, to be performed by said Director pursuant to Administrative Code, Chapter 80, the costs thereof having been paid for by the City and



County out of a blight abatement fund; scheduled pursuant to Motion No. M23-062, approved on April 18, 2023.

Chair Miller went into his overview of this legislation and explained why it was important to refer it to the Youth Commission, especially since many youth in the City struggle to walk in parts of the City that the sidewalk has deteriorated. Commissioner Wong said she thought this legislation was very interesting since there are parts of her neighborhood that have sidewalks that are safety hazards to pedestrians and bike riders. Chair Miller said that the City would end up having to pay more in lawsuits if they don't fix it, rather than just fixing the sidewalks.

Commissioner Wong, seconded by Vice Chair Anish, motioned to support this hearing with a recommendation of support and to refer this item to the full Commission. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell aye
Emily Nguyen absent
Ann Anish aye
Hayden Miller aye

Action: legislation referred to the full Youth Commission with a positive recommendation.

- b. **230420** - Calling on the Mayor to Fund 2,000 New Shelter or Temporary Housing Placements
 - i. Resolution calling on Mayor London N. Breed to fund 2,000 new shelter or temporary housing placements over the next two fiscal years.

Chair Miller explained further detail into the background information for the referred legislation, and talked about how there have been homeless sweeps throughout the City. Chair Miller discussed that there's more to the story than just increasing the shelter population capacity by 2,000. Commissioner Wong said that she doesn't support the resumption of homeless encampment sweeps, but supports the idea of having more shelter beds available, to which Commissioner Terrell agrees. Commissioner Adair said that he recognizes that the City might try and do sweeps regardless, but they should expand shelter bed capacity. Vice Chair Anish said something to find out might be to see if there will be an increase



of wraparound services in addition to shelter beds, since increasing the beds with a limited capacity of resources won't address the issue of homelessness and folks could be back on the streets. Chair Miller wants to know from the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing what other services will be provided, and said that Supervisor Mandelman wants the homeless sweeps to resume once the shelter is provided. Chair Miller said the legislation referred is a great opportunity to comment on the need for greater services, but their criticism of other parts of the legislation. Chair Miller summarized the Commissioners' comments into the response language.

Commissioner Wong, seconded by Vice Chair Anish, motioned to support this legislation with additional comments in regards to its relations to sweeps and long-term solutions for housing, and forwarding to the full Commission. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell aye
Emily Nguyen absent
Ann Anish aye
Hayden Miller aye

Action: legislation referred to the full Youth Commission with a positive recommendation.

8. Letters of Support (discussion & possible action)

a. Environment Department Budget Ask

Chair Miller summarized the letter of support for the Environment Department's budget ask from the Mayor's Office.

Commissioner Wong, seconded by Commissioner Adair, motioned to support the Environment Department's budget ask and send it to the full Youth Commission. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye



Reese Terrell aye
Emily Nguyen absent
Ann Anish aye
Hayden Miller aye

Action: letter of support forwarded to the full Youth Commission with a positive recommendation.

b. Larkin Street Youth Services Budget Ask

Commissioner Adair summarized the conversation he had with Commissioner Wong and the staff from Larkin Street Youth Services, which was that they asked for the Youth Commission to advocate for the general funding that goes towards housing the City's homeless youth. Commissioner Wong added that they wanted their priorities to be the priorities of the Mayor and Board of Supervisors, and for the Youth Commission to amend the support letter to focus on the need and not specifically their organization to receive funding.

Commissioner Terrell, seconded by Commissioner Adair, motioned to support the Larkin Street Youth Services' budget ask and send it to the full Youth Commission. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Voice Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell aye
Emily Nguyen absent
Ann Anish aye
Hayden Miller aye

Action: letter of support forwarded to the full Youth Commission with a positive recommendation.

9. Committee Business (all items to follow are discussion & possible action)

a. 78 Haight Housing Resolution

Commissioner Wong said she hasn't heard any response from anyone they've reached out to. Commissioner Adair said that they should also review what Mayor Breed proposed in regards to affordable housing legislation. Chair Miller



said staff can help assist with reaching out to organizations that aren't as responsive. Specialist Ochoa said he can reach out again or call.

b. YTAB Presentation on May 8th

Chair Miller said that while this won't be an official HRT Committee meeting, they plan on presenting to the Youth Transportation Advisory Board (YTAB) on the Youth Commission's priorities. Chair Miller then distributed the slides amongst committee members to present to YTAB members. Staff will inquire on whether it's needed to post a public notice, and Chair Miller will ask to see if YTAB would want to meet in City Hall.

c. HRT-related Updates

Chair Miller said there is a possible resolution coming about soon to push for better bike infrastructure on Arguello Street in the Presidio, due to the cyclist who was killed by a drunk driver there. Chair Miller said there's no update on the bike infrastructure resolution, but will have updates later into the summer.

10. Staff Report (discussion item)

Specialist Ochoa gave brief updates.

11. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

No announcements.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee adjourned at 6:22pm.



DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELESSNESS AND
SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

HSH Services for Youth: Homelessness Response System & Strategic Plan

Housing, Recreation, and Transit Committee - Youth Commission | May 22, 2023



HSH Overview – Background and Mission

- The Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) launched in **August 2016**.
- **Consolidates** and **coordinates** City programs to address homelessness.
- Mission: make homelessness in San Francisco **rare, brief, and one-time**.
- Serves over **15,000** people daily through the **homelessness response system (HRS)**:
 - youth ages 18-27 (sometimes called transitional age youth/TAY)
 - families with minor children
 - adults

Homelessness in San Francisco

2022 PIT Count Estimates

7,754 people experiencing homelessness

57% unsheltered

205 families

• 2022 Point-in-Time Count provides best estimate of people experiencing homelessness **on a single night** in San Francisco.

- **3.5% decrease** in overall homelessness and **15% decrease** in unsheltered homelessness since 2019 PIT Count

• **1,073 youth under 25** (902 unsheltered):

- 86 minors
- 38% LGBTQ+

• Decrease in youth homelessness:

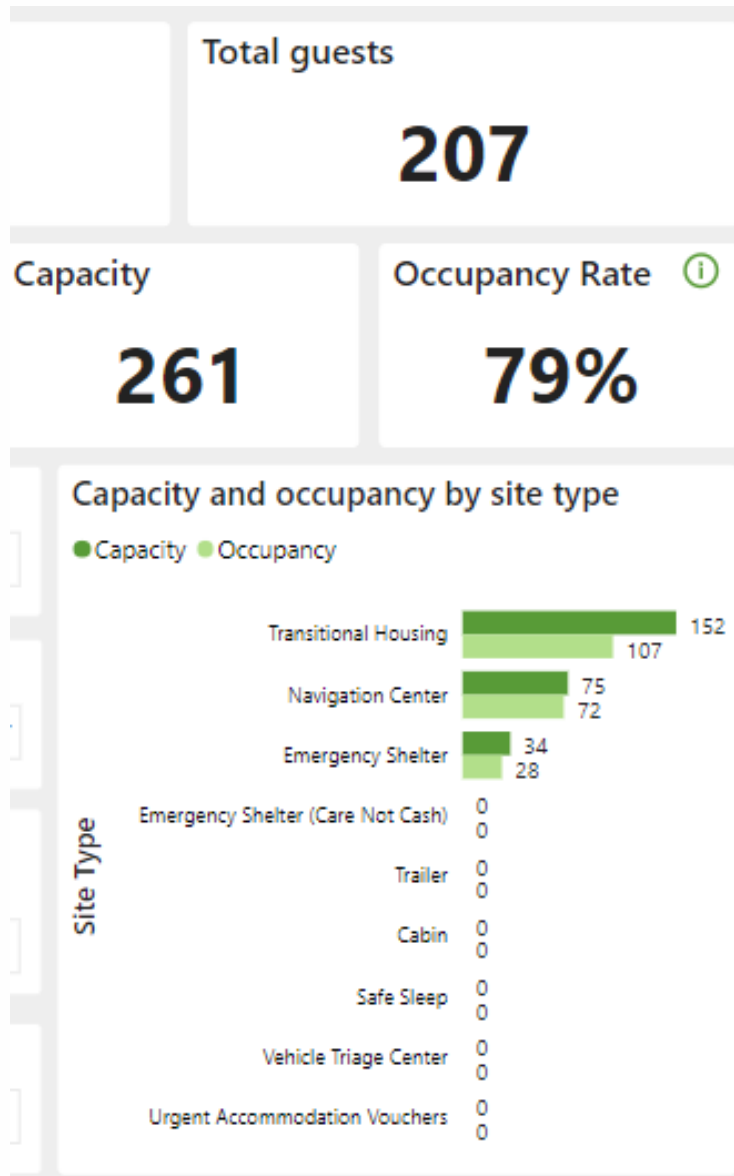
2017: 1,274

2022: 1,073

2019: 1,145



By the Numbers: Youth Shelter



- **261 shelter beds** at **8 sites** designated for youth ages 18-27.
 - [See dashboard.](#)
- Includes 75 beds at youth-focused **Lower Polk Navigation Center**:
 - Pets, partners, more possessions, more privacy, and focus on housing.
- Youth can also access beds and resources in the adult system for people over 18.

Shelter & Crisis Interventions

- Opened new **semi-** and **non-congregate shelter** programs.
- Opened **Bayview safe parking site**.
- Reopened most beds closed during pandemic, incl. Navigation Center beds
 - Taimon Booton Nav. Center for TGNC people.
- Reinstating **shelter self-referrals** for adults (hybrid system with some self-referrals and some centralized referrals).



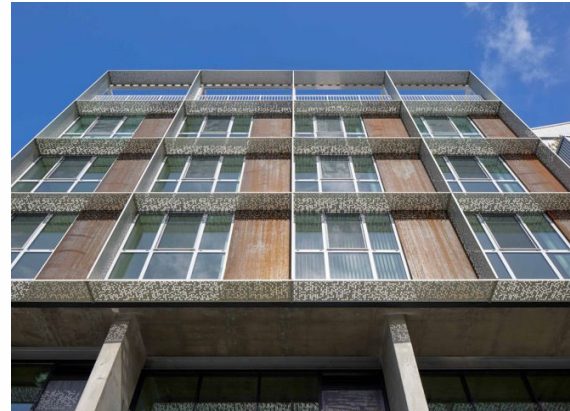
*Non-congregate cabin program
at 33 Gough.*

By the Numbers: Housing for Youth

- More than **300 units** of site-based permanent supportive housing (PSH) for young adults.
- Additional **scattered-site PSH resources**:
 - ~175 Emergency Housing Vouchers for youth
 - ~50 scattered site permanent supportive housing units
 - ~ 400 rapid re-housing slots
- About 15 youth were placed monthly so far in FY2022-23:
 - Of all households (youth, adult, and family) placed into housing over the fiscal year, about **half** these households came from **shelter/transitional housing**; about **a third** came from an **unsheltered location**.

PSH Acquisitions for Youth

- Two housing sites opened in 2022:
 - **Mission Inn:** 51 units @ 5630 Mission St.
 - **Casa Esperanza:** 25 units @ 3061 16th St.
 - Supported by Prop C and state Homekey funding.
- Proposed acquisition: **1174 Folsom St**
 - **New construction** with **42 units**.
 - Homekey application underway.
 - Proposed acquisition will be heard by the Board in June/July.
 - [More information about HSH's proposed projects.](#)



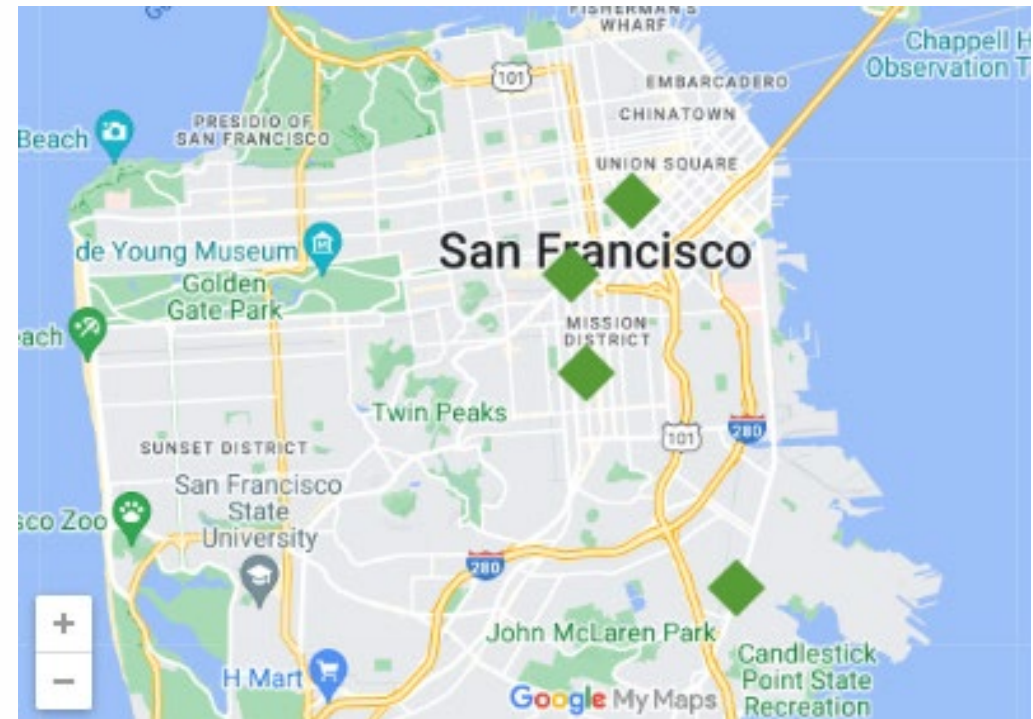
From top, clockwise:

- 3061 16th Street
- 5630 Mission Street
- 1174 Folsom Street

How can youth access services?

- **Youth Access Points:** main locations to access **shelter** and **housing** for people ages 18 to 27.
 - [Multiple locations across the City](#)
 - Some organizations focused on LGBTQ+ community.
- Youth can also get services through **SFHOT public outreach line** and **self-refer** to the adult shelter system.
- Help available through [SF Emergency Rental Assistance Program](#).
- **Unaccompanied minors** contact [Huckleberry House or Diamond Youth Shelter](#) directly.

Youth Access Point Locations:





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Home by the Bay: an Equity- Driven Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness

Strategic Plan Goals: July 2023 - June 2028

<u>GOAL #1:</u> Decrease Homelessness	Reduce the number of people who are unsheltered by 50% and reduce the total number of people experiencing homelessness by 15% .
<u>GOAL #2</u> Reduce Inequities	Demonstrate measurable reductions in racial inequities and other disparities in both: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the experience of homelessness and• the outcomes of City programs intended to prevent and end homelessness.
<u>GOAL #3</u> Increase Exits from Homelessness	Actively support at least 30,000 people to move from homelessness into permanent housing.
<u>GOAL #4</u> Support Housing Success	Ensure that at least 85% of people who exit homelessness do not experience it again .
<u>GOAL #5</u> Prevent homelessness	Provide prevention services to at least 18,000 people at-risk of losing their housing and becoming homeless.

Plan Proposals to Achieve the Goals

- **Scale up** the Homelessness Response System by **adding specified numbers** of new prevention, housing and shelter resources.
- Focusing on **five strategic action areas**:

Advancing racial
equity and housing
justice

Strengthening
response to
unsheltered
homelessness


Increasing
successful and
stable entries into
permanent housing

Preventing people
from experiencing
homelessness

Enhancing system
performance and
capacity

Scale Up Homelessness Response System

To achieve the Plan's Goals, the City must make a **packaged investment** in the following additional interventions between July 2023 and June 2028.

 Prevention Services	 Shelter Beds	 Permanent Housing
Prevention services for 4,300 additional households	1,075 new shelter beds	3,250 new units of permanent housing



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Questions?

Thank you.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Youth Commission

FROM: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

DATE: May 10, 2023

SUBJECT: REFERRAL FROM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors has received the following, which at the request of the Youth Commission is being referred as per Charter Section 4.124 for comment and recommendation. The Commission may provide any response it deems appropriate within 12 days from the date of this referral.

File: 230519

Hearing on the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing's Strategic Plan, to understand how the department prepares its approach to homelessness as far as available beds in the system whether permanent or temporary, the number of available openings on the waitlist for each program, how the department maintains its coordinated entry system with the number of individuals awaiting for housing and those who do not qualify for housing, and how the impact of the strategic plan's implementation will have on street conditions over the next five years; and requesting the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to report.

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to **Stephanie Cabrera, Assistant Clerk, Homelessness and Behavioral Health Select Committee.** at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or email me at: Stephanie.Cabrera@sfgov.org.

RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION **Date:** _____

_____ **No Comment**

_____ **Recommendation Attached**

Chairperson, Youth Commission

Introduction Form

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- ☐ 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
- ☐ 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference)
(Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)
- ☒ 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee
- ☐ 4. Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor _____ inquires..."
- ☐ 5. City Attorney Request
- ☐ 6. Call File No. _____ from Committee.
- ☐ 7. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)
- ☐ 8. Substitute Legislation File No. _____
- ☐ 9. Reactivate File No. _____
- ☐ 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on _____

The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes):

- ☐ Small Business Commission ☐ Youth Commission ☐ Ethics Commission
- ☐ Planning Commission ☐ Building Inspection Commission ☐ Human Resources Department

General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

(Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.)

Sponsor(s):

Ronen; Mandelman

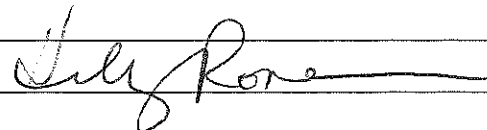
Subject:

HSH Strategic Plan

Long Title or text listed:

Hearing on the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing's Strategic Plan, specifically to hear how the department describes it's approach to homelessness and the impact that the strategic plan's implementation will have on street conditions over the next five years, and calling for the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to report. Please catalogue and map all beds in the system, both temporary and permanent with number of openings or waitlist for each program. Also provide a detailed description of the coordinated entry system. How many people are waiting for housing in the system and how many do not qualify for permanent housing?

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:



June 5th, 2023

The Honorable Laura Friedman
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 5740
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for AB 645 (Friedman)—Vehicles: Speed Safety System Pilot Program

Dear Assemblymember Friedman,

On behalf of the San Francisco Youth Commission, I am writing to express our support for your bill, AB 645 (Friedman). AB 645 authorizes Speed Safety System Pilot Programs that would allow automated enforcement of speed limits in several California municipalities including San Francisco in school zones or areas with a history of injuries, fatalities or speeding, helping achieve Vision Zero goals.

The Youth Commission is composed of seventeen youths, between the ages of 12 to 23, who represent the diverse communities of San Francisco. Created by the voters under a 1995 amendment to the City Charter, the Youth Commission advises the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor of San Francisco on policies and laws related to young people. The Youth Commission is also charged with providing comments and recommendations on all proposed laws that primarily affect youth before the Board takes final action.

The Youth Commission supports AB 645 because Speed Safety Systems, also referred to as Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE), are a critical component to reducing dangerous speeding. Studies have shown a pedestrian who is struck by a vehicle traveling at 30 MPH is twice as likely to be killed as a pedestrian struck by a vehicle traveling at 25 MPH and in jurisdictions such as New York City where ASE has been implemented, total crashes declined by 15%, total injuries by 17%, fatalities by 55%, and speeding by 70%. Traffic fatalities are the second highest cause of death among US Teens, second only to gun violence and ASE is a critical component in reducing this alarming statistic.

Automated Speed Enforcement authorized by AB645 is critical to reducing traffic fatalities, achieving vision zero goals, and providing safe streets for users of all ages and abilities. When deployed with geographic equity, automated speed enforcement also helps reduce bias in traffic enforcement as it eliminates potential for profiling and pretext based traffic stops. Thank you for your continued leadership on this critical issue.

Sincerely,

Emily Nguyen, Chair