
AHS GENERAL PLAN PROJECT

TOPIC: Atascadero Safety

PERIOD: 2

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TOPIC: [SAFETY]

Our two main subjects of Atascadero safety was cleanliness and the homeless population. And we wanted to solve this because...

- ❑ It is important that everyone feels safe
- ❑ We want a stronger community that can trust each other
- ❑ The homeless being in such close proximity to the school is concerning



PUBLIC OUTREACH

We got input from the Community

The people we got the data from was our fellow peers from AHS.

We asked them 3 specific questions that would help us figure out a problem and what solely to focus on

We put this Survey on a few of our Instagram and that's how we got our data.

QUESTIONS WE ASKED

IS ATASCADERO CLEAN?

- Straight from the polls 9 student believe Atascadero is not clean. Then with 14 students saying it is clean.

DO YOU FEEL SAFE WALKING ALONE AT NIGHT IN ATASCADERO?

- Again from the polls 12 people said no. Along with 11 saying yes
- Just about a 50/50 split

SUGGESTIONS TO MAKE ATASCADERO A SAFER PLACE?

- People's most concern was getting the homeless population resolved
- The other and only one person said was regular trash clean ups

DUPLICATE SLIDE TO ADD MORE IF NEEDED

RESEARCH

We believe the main issue is the perception of safety around the homeless population.

→ **Why is it a problem**

People don't like going outside if homeless people are on the streets.

→ **Who does it affect?**

All Atascadero residents

→ **Is it complicated?**

It's complicated because it's hard to get homeless individuals into transitional housing/off the streets

→ **What else should the City know?**

Majority of our poll responses stated that perception of safety around the unhoused was the big issue, so safety needs to be addressed.



CASE STUDY:

[Monterey]

What did others do to address this issue?

- A. Dedicate over \$4.5 billion to housing the homeless
- B. Increase supply of affordable homes and housing
- C. Interim housing
- D. Interim safe parking options

monterey is a bigger city so most likely would not need to use as much money



SOLUTIONS

WHAT ARE SOME SOLUTIONS TO THE ISSUE?

- **1. Encourage more people to find jobs**
- **2. Try to make housing more affordable towards homeless**
- **3. Encourage more people to get off the streets**

A way to do this is making them go somewhere not where the public sees them (out of sunken garden)



RECOMMENDATIONS

- ❑ As much as we would like to say this is a major issue I would say its not and don't hyperfocus it.
- ❑ Be on board with the homeless people, meaning try and talking with them and ask them what would be best, because truly only they would know
- ❑ Just take into consideration what they are saying an make the best decision as a city
- ❑ Focus on finding places where the homeless can be comfortable that doesn't interface with families

