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**From:** Rona Henry <rona.s.henry@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2024 1:51 AM  
**To:** COB\_Response  
**Subject:** Support Cold Weather Shelter

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Dear Supervisors,

I urge you to support the establishment of Cold/Rainy Shelters for our unhoused neighbors THROUGHOUT Orange County.

This is the least we should be doing to protect our residents from the elements. In the longer term, I hope you will prioritize significantly more funding for permanent supportive housing.

Thank you for your service.

Rona Henry, Laguna Woods

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**From:** Felicity <felicitynf@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2024 12:12 AM  
**To:** COB\_Response  
**Cc:** housingisahumanrightoc2017@gmail.com  
**Subject:** COMMENT on AGENDA ITEM S34C for BOS meeting on Jan. 23, 2024

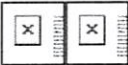
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Dear Board of Supervisors --

As a member of Housing is a Human Right OC and the People's Budget OC, I would like to submit this comment on Agenda Item #S34C:

The desperate need for a cold weather shelter, which will likely save the lives of only a handful of the hundreds of people who we know will die on our streets this year, is an indication of your failure to invest in **housing first** as the true solution to homelessness. Safe, permanent, affordable housing saves lives. Housing is healthcare. Invest in a cold weather shelter, but then put an affordable housing bond measure on the ballot. Invest your \$1 billion discretionary budget in housing to save lives. For the following 500 community members, your action today already comes too late, as they passed away last year on the streets of our county:

**in Memoriam**



*May they rest in peace. And perpetual light shine upon them.*

Thank you --

In community,  
Felicity Figueroa  
Irvine

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**From:** Seiden, Wendy <seiden@chapman.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2024 12:07 AM  
**To:** COB\_Response  
**Subject:** Comment on Item S34c

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Dear Board Members:

I write to express my support for the cold weather shelter in Anaheim. I thank the Mayor and the City of Anaheim for starting what I hope is a welcome and overdue trend toward sheltering all of our residents from the cold and the rain.

I write to express the dire need for the Orange County Board of Supervisors to provide cold and rainy weather shelter for *all* Orange County residents -- whether individuals cities join in an MOU -- or not. Approximately five hundred Orange County residents are documented to have died without shelter during each of the past two years. Without housing, thousands of our local residents -- including children, elderly and individuals with disabilities -- are left to rely on temporary shelter to shield themselves from cold, rain, illness, and death. As we work together on a plan for housing for all Orange County residents, we need to provide, at a minimum, shelter from the storm.

I will be volunteering with the "2024 EveryoneCountsOC" Point in Time count over the next few days. I am gearing up to be out in the cold for my five hour shift and will welcome a hot shower and be grateful for a warm bed when it's over. I would sleep better knowing, that my unhoused neighbors, were not still out in the elements. **Everyone Counts in Orange County.**

Thank you for taking the first step.

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