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Subject: County Funding - Laura's Law Support

On behalf of the entire downtown business community in Downtown Santa Barbara, we implore you NOT TO DE-FUND THE 3-YEAR LAURA'S LAW PILOT PROJECT adopted by the Board of Supervisors in 2016. Many, many of the chronic homeless individuals that are living -and dying – on our downtown streets are severely mentally ill. Many of these mentally ill clients are service resistant, and are high users of public services (fire, police, hospital).

Your progressive support for this important tool, in support of being able to provide needed mental health services to individuals that might need it the most through this Laura's Law Pilot project, should not be undone. Particularly in light of the conditions in our downtown, and the conditions of several of our chronic homeless that may also be candidates for this treatment and program, PLEASE MAINTAIN FULL FUNDING FOR THE 3-YEAR LAURA'S LAW PILOT PROJECT. Thank you,

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