

BOD 2017 - 2018 - 13R - Resolution for the Implementation of Emergency Housing

WHEREAS, Associated Students Incorporated (ASI) of California State University, East Bay (CSUEB) is the recognized voice of approximately 16,000 students; and

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the ASI Board of Directors to advocate and provide responsible and effective leadership for a diverse student population in order to make sound decisions for the betterment of CSUEB students; and

WHEREAS, satisfaction of basic physiological needs, including stable shelter, is vital to the integrity of quality higher education; and

WHEREAS, the California State University (CSU) released a system-wide report in January of 2018 which details, among other issues, student homelessness within the CSU; and

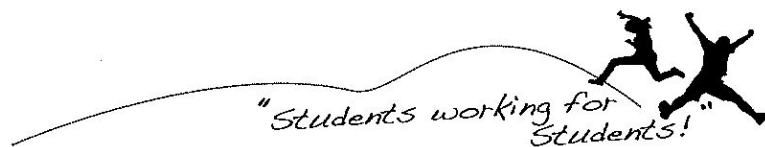
WHEREAS, that report found that a ratio of one in ten students out of the four hundred and fifty thousand who attend CSU institutions have experienced housing insecurity in the past year¹; and

WHEREAS, as applicable to this proposal, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) defines homelessness as:

- (1) "An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence";
- (2) "Individuals and families who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence";
- (3) "Unaccompanied youth and families with children and youth who are defined as homeless under other federal statutes who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition";
- (4) "Individuals and families who are fleeing, or are attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member"²; and

¹ Crutchfield, Rashida and Jennifer Maguire. (2018, January). *Study of Student Basic Needs*. California State University Office of the Chancellor. Retrieved from CSU website
<https://www2.calstate.edu/impact-of-the-csu/student-success/basic-needs-initiative/Documents/phaseII-report-with-Appendix.pdf>.

² U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development. (2013, September). *Expanding Opportunities to House Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness through the Public Housing (PH) and Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Programs: Questions and Answers*. Retrieved from HUD website
<https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/PIH2013-15HOMELESSQAS.PDF>, p. 1-2.



WHEREAS, the CSU's report recommends that individual campuses implement programs that address the needs of students with housing insecurities and "Identify and institute creative campaigns to develop a campus culture of awareness and response to support students who experience significant material hardships"³; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Associated Students of CSU East Bay will address the issue of housing insecurity at CSUEB by establishing an on campus emergency housing program which will satisfy the following criteria:

- (1) An on campus emergency housing dormitory unit (single-room) reserved for qualifying students of CSUEB;
- (2) Implementation of a housing transitional program to aid students in securing more stable shelter;

let it be further

RESOLVED, that ASI will create an ad hoc committee tasked with creating a policy to implement the proposed program; let it be further

RESOLVED, that ASI will work with the Student Housing Office and the ad hoc committee in funding and establishing the emergency housing program; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be distributed to the Office of the President, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, Office of Diversity, Student Housing, Pioneers for H.O.P.E., and all other relevant parties.

Approved on: May 23, 2018

ASI President:



Approved by: ASI Board of Directors 2017-2018

³ Crutchfield, p. 5.

