



# Santa Cruz County Syringe Services Program Advisory Commission

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## Meeting Minutes

DATE: Tuesday, September 13, 2022

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: Hybrid: Virtual and Physical: 1400 Emeline Ave, Bldg. K, Rm 206

PRESENT: Steve Plumb (1<sup>st</sup> District), Damon Bruder (3<sup>rd</sup> District), Eric Sturm (4<sup>th</sup> District), Joe Hernandez (2<sup>nd</sup> District), Sarina King (5<sup>th</sup> District)

EXCUSED: none

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Rahshan Williams (Program Coordinator), Socorro Gutierrez (Health Services Manager), Jennifer Herrera (Assistant Health Services Agency (HSA) Director), Nicky Meza (Administrative Aide), Megan Holland (Administrative Services Manager)

GUESTS:

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Introductions:

Meeting convened at 6:00 PM.

2. Review and Approve August 9, 2022, Meeting Minutes:

**Motion to approve August Minutes**

Motion/Second: Sturm/Hernandez

**Motion passed unanimously**

3. Correspondence:

4. Public Comment: none

5. Program Updates- Program Staff:

5.1 Williams opened the floor for questions regarding the Power Point presentation on program updates that staff emailed in advance to the Commission. Commission had questions regarding how many kiosks are in the community and Williams clarified that there are 7 kiosks and will soon have 8 deployed as they reach agreements with partners on additional locations. Williams discussed 5 locked boxes for sharp's disposal that are serviced by the City of Santa Cruz. The program does not currently receive data on syringe collection from those boxes. The Commission proposed that they see that data from the city if possible. Gutierrez opened the floor for questions regarding her Power Point on the report back to the Board of Supervisor that was sent to the Commission. The Commission inquired about 60,000 syringes that were returned in 1

month from kiosks as was referenced by Supervisor Koenig and wanted to find out where Supervisor Koenig obtained that information. Program staff will check on that information and report back to the Commission.

6. Focus Area Updates

6.1. Update from Community Engagement Ad-Hoc Subcommittee  
No report currently.

6.2. Biennial report continued discussion

Commission reviewed the draft Biennial report page by page and made various recommendations/corrections and the report will be finalized to vote and approve on in the October meeting.

7. New Business/Action Items:

7.1. Vote for next meeting location, virtual or in-person (AB 361)

8. Topics for Future Meetings/Action Items:

8.1. Review and vote on Biennial Report

8.2. Review and vote on amended Bylaws

8.3. Commission to prepare questions for the new Resource Planner IV in Public Works for a future invite to our Commission meeting.

9. Adjournment

**Motion to Adjourn the Meeting**

Motion/Second: Sturm/Plumb

**Motion passed unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM

Submitted by Nicole Meza (*Administrative Aide*)

## Re: SSP Advisory Commission

Nicole Meza <Nicole.Meza@santacruzcounty.us>

Tue 8/16/2022 9:59 AM

To: Big Joe 77 <sckeepinitreal@gmail.com>

Thank you for that inquiry.

I checked with IT and provided them with the meeting recording again and it has now been posted. My apologies for the delay.

It can now be found on the SSP

website: <https://www.santacruzhealth.org/HSAHome/HSADivisions/PublicHealth/SyringeServicesProgram.aspx>

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Warm Regards,

*Nicky Meza*

*Administrative Aide for Health Officer  
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Public Health



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**From:** Big Joe 77 <sckeepinitreal@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2022 12:31 PM

**To:** Nicole Meza <Nicole.Meza@santacruzcounty.us>

**Subject:** Re: SSP Advisory Commission

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and the meeting held on July 12th?

On Mon, Aug 15, 2022 at 3:11 PM Nicole Meza <[Nicole.Meza@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:Nicole.Meza@santacruzcounty.us)> wrote:

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