QUICK REFERENCE CARD FOR BUSINESSES

Homelessness is a complicated issue and there are no easy solutions. However, if you are a business owner or operator with concerns regarding individuals or criminal activity on your property, there are resources available to help.

As a business owner or operator, you are responsible for activities that occur on your property. This reference card provides information on how to protect your property, who to call for follow up and resources for homeless individuals in need of help. For more information, call the City's Homeless and Supportive Services Manager at (760) 776-6324.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- Post signs on your property such as "No Trespassing."
- Secure trash enclosures.

PALM DESERT

- Reduce foliage that may be used as hiding places for people/property.
- Ensure adequate lighting, especially in/around potential hiding places.
- Submit No Trespass Letter to Sheriff's Department
- Increase presence or implement private security measures.
- Do not feed or give money to non-patrons.

POLICE RESPOND TO PUBLIC SAFETY ACTIVITIES LIKE:

- Drug activity or paraphernalia.
- Loitering outside of establishments that sell alcohol.
- Trespassing (PC 602) or impeding access to business.
- Aggressive panhandling, suspicious person or vehicle.

NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER: (760) 836-3215 FOR EMERGENCIES CALL 9-1-1

CODE ENFORCEMENT CAN ADDRESS THE FOLLOWING:

- Abandoned shopping carts or unclaimed property.
- Excessive trash, debris, and other outdoor storage.

CODE ENFORCEMENT HOTLINE: (760) 776-6360

RESOURCES FOR INDIVIDUALS SEEKING HELP:

- Supportive Service Info and Referral: (800) 464-1123.
- Riverside County Mental Health: (760) 863-8455.
- Coachella Valley Rescue Mission Emergency Shelter: (760) 347-3512.
- Martha's Village & Kitchen Shelter (for families with children): (760) 775-0622.
- City of Palm Desert Social Services Coordinator: (760) 776-6324.