

Agenda Item 5 Homeless Initiatives

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Services Specifically to Serve the Homeless Population

- **Social Work Intern**
 - Gives out hygiene kits upon request (provided by TAMUK and donations)
- **Winter Coat Drive**
 - To benefit the homeless shelter.
- **Storage Container**
 - Began as a collaboration between the library and the Homeless Services Division of the Planning & Community Development Dept to allow patrons to enter the library during cooling and warming center hours.

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We offer several services that are available to the entire community that also benefits our homeless population

- **Social Work Intern**
 - Provides information about and refers people to agencies that can assist with a variety of needs.
- **Resources on our website**
 - Homeless Services Division of the Planning & Community Development Dept Homeless Services was dissolved. We now host their list of resources on our website along with our own list of services and digital resources.
- **Cooling/warming centers – La Retama**
 - La Retama will be the designated library to serve as a cooling or warming center, primarily during normal business hours this year.