

**From:** [Board Of Supervisors](#)  
**To:** [Jesseka Rodriguez](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Santa Cruz mental health center faces closure if county cuts funding - Lookout Santa Cruz  
**Date:** Monday, June 2, 2025 7:31:59 AM

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<https://lookout.co/for-santa-cruzs-most-vulnerable-this-peer-run-clubhouse-is-a-lifeline-now-the-county-could-take-it-away/story>

Peer support services is valuable to the mental health community.

Unfortunately proposition 1 changed funding in reducing the buckets with thirty percent of funding is towards housing. Peer programs and peer services are not included in funding these important programs in next fiscal year under Proposition 1. Thanks to voters that were misguided including diverting additional funding to housing that includes treatment programs and lock up facilities. The State just announced today of \$800 million dollars in funds in rounds of housing dollars. Already \$3.3 Billion dollars have been distributed under Proposition 1.

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With regards,

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**From:** [Board Of Supervisors](#)  
**To:** [Jesseka Rodriguez](#)  
**Subject:** FW: ADVOCACY ALERT-Support California Peer Warm Line  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 3, 2025 2:24:50 PM

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La Línea de Apoyo Emocional de  
California se vera obligada a  
cerrar el 1 de julio de 2025. Desde  
2019, hemos sido la Línea  
de Apoyo Emocional Oficial  
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[Sick and Unhoused, the System Failed Him at Every Turn. Then, He Was Shot by Police.](#)

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