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**To:** [Jesseka Rodriguez](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External]Re: Fwd: [External]County of Santa Cruz not responding to Patricia Colby's needs for emergency housing  
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Dear addressed parties:

My sister Patriica Colby is severely despondent as her mental and physical health decline from unnecessarily being made homeless by Front Street Housing and the County of Santa Cruz fraudulently depriving her of her civil rights: this is well documented in her medical records which I recently examined. Her medical records from the County of Santa Cruz and Front Street Housing are rife with lies and fraudulent statements to malign her while they billed the state and federal government for services which they didn't provide.

Now that she is homeless, the County of Santa Cruz is denying her help -- a motel room -  
- to save her life. This is cold, cruel and callous; it is criminally negligent. I think they  
want her to die.

I plead with the state and federal government to intervene (to save her life).

Sincerely,  
John E. Colby, Ph.D.

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From: **Patricia Colby** [REDACTED]  
Date: Wed, Mar 19, 2025 at 1:39 AM  
Subject: RE: [External]Re: Fwd: [External]County of Santa Cruz not responding to Patricia Colby's needs for emergency housing  
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The county has shown complete disdain for my mental health and mental health housing. They deemed it necessary to rehouse one victim of abuse but not me. This double standards and clear discrimination. Violations of my fair housing and mental, medical disability rights with reference to ADA.

Are you saying you will do nothing as the county that allowed me to be traumatized, stalked and abused them made homeless claims they do not deem any help necessary which is why I am at this crossroads and in this impossible situation.

Will county be forced to serve me when the impossible situation homeless situation causes me to reasonable become so despondent I become suicidal which I never experienced. I have never been institutionalized. I take my medicines. I don't drink nor do drugs. So now I am being punished.

I have proven the whole system in the county is a complete failure from county

behavioral health to APS to the DA and courts. They are being funded to discriminate when their failure is exposed. All that needed to be done was for the lease smoking ban to be enforced. It is that simple!

As each week passes I feel more and more despondent, depressed, hopeless and helpless. I have indicated this to my brother and my therapist David Hayes. The county psychiatrist thinks prescribing me another pill will miraculously change all of this. Only a situation change will help. I finally realized with Nightmare on Elm Street my chronic depression was in response to my entire life and horrible situations.

My medical doctor seems immediate housing inside is deemed necessary. She told me during my last appointment. She sent me a message. She has documented it in my medical records. County and FSH have never acknowledged any of my physical disabilities nor a coma dated them as they should. They minimized my "deathly allergic to smoke of any kind" as being sensitive to the smell.

I am working on getting away out of county having such power over me they can facilitate my suffering and death. Because they refused to deem anything necessary to as far as I am concerned. Both FSH and county breached their contracts with me and their funding agencies. There needs to be remedy for me and consequences for them.

My hands have been tied by fraudulent claims on my credit of unpaid and now this fraudulent eviction. I did everything I could to counter the false claims made up by abusive housemates. I hid in my room. I left the house. I have no interactions. I no engagements. I didn't look nor talk to them. I did everything yet I [i.am](#) suffering in unbearable pain, being stalked and targeted by more abusive people. Is there no agency in government that does what they claim to do?

Can I have my doctor who is PAMF/Sutter get a social worker to contact and be a liaison to work with your department? Will I be able to do the same with Encompass whom I have three referrals in for services. Can I have Star Nursing the agency funding Central California Center for an independent living housing navigation through medical?

At this point Santa Cruz county behavioral health has done nothing but destroy my life nor help or support it. They can't even be trusted to safely prescribe medicines at safe dose levels or proper diagnosis. My primary Dr Riddle took over my psychiatric medicines because Dr Yasgan of the county misdiagnosed me because I told him about proven stalking. My other Private psychiatrist looked at the evidence I provided that was on internet. Dr Yasgan, Matt Lickens, another doctor in one session diagnosed me as

delusional and psychotic. Finally I brought copies of the evidence National Law Center on Homelessness used as evidence for a case study. We have one of the best proven cases.

Both my private psychiatrist Dr St Peter and medical Dr Shawna Riddle who have treated me for years have same diagnosis conferred. Neither believed me to be delusional, paranoid, psychotic, unstable. Yet county in a few sessions couldn't figure out a correct simple diagnosis or changed it every different visit. County is a huge problem.

Dr Yasgan gave me medicine, starting at too high a dose for psychosis when I was depressed and anxious not psychotic. This medicine was causing severe muscle movement, anxiety, agitation, discomfort and irritability. Dr St Peter was still seeing me. I was able to contact him to share what was happening. After three weeks of the medicine Ambilify causing more distress verses making me feel happy as Yasgan claimed it would. Dr St Peter and I decided I needed to taper off if it before all these side effects became permanent. This was one factor in having Dr Riddle prescribe my medicines over Yasgan who shouldn't be allowed to practice anymore. He was suppose to retire so I didn't file any complaints.

Does county make more money the more severe one's diagnosis is? Is this why so many people are over doped out into walking Zombies? Or diagnosed incorrectly?

I just want to get in with my life. I have come to figure out a lot of my problems emulate from ADHD and bad situations. I was trying to get help with ADHD from Dr Marcucci who abruptly left. She did tell me I inspired her to help people in a bigger way. So she left county for another job far away. No one has helped me to deal with my true major problem ADHD which has medicines but has to be carefully mixed with psych medicines by a specialized neuro-psychologist.

Suffering domestic abuse and then homelessness has caused me not to be able to even be able to deal with going to OT art class once a week. I am so traumatized I can't be around group of people with mental needs. I can barely cope with being around non-mental people. The abuse allowed at Elm Street has created new mental disabilities I hadn't suffered with before but county is not addressing any of these new mental hurdles nor scaring trauma that I need help with now. Only in housing temporary or permanent will I be able to start addressing.

With county behavioral health deeming what is necessary I just might be dead before I

get any help from them because they want to hide the abuse, fraud and destruction they have been part of with me.

I am so frustrated with your reply during off hours past 11 pm. I don't feel that much resourcefulness, thought or care was put in to your blow off answer. I trying everything I can to get hooked into agencies or resources that can connect with you. When I spoke to Encompass people and my CCCECIL housing navigator they deemed temporary emergency housing as necessary.

Santa Cruz county behavioral health is punishing me for exposing their failures, fraud and corruption,for which I hope they get audited first. It was stated to me county took a total hands off approach when I had exposed FSH for initially refusing to enforce lease smoking ban. Then when narcissistic housemates ganged up on me spearheaded by Suzanne Meyer Forbes and Susan Knudson!

County have no records to show where the Mental Health funds for low barrier housing went. They have no records nor money to show where all the Homeless money went. I shouldn't have to become an addict to finally get helped because addicts bring in more money so they are at the top of the list of help. They are also the hardest to help because they fall out of housing because they keep using drugs so they get evicted over and over again.

I am pleading for help that I was cheated out of when I first moved into [REDACTED] Elm Street, supposedly supported safe and smoke free shared mental health housing. I can't move forward in my life until I finally get the help promised. I can't live through being homeless at 64 years and severely physically disabled with serious medical conditions.

Sincerely,