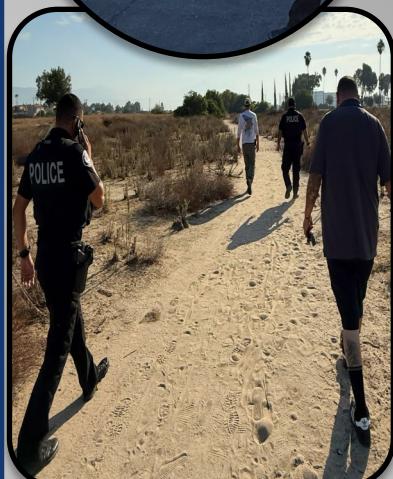




## SWAG and Colton Police Department Have Teamed Up To Help Homeless Individuals In Need



- **SWAG is a multidisciplinary outreach team that offers street outreach and connects individuals living in unfit conditions within the city to appropriate services. SWAG collaborates with city staff, code enforcement, and the Colton Police Department Multi-Enforcement Team to identify the most vulnerable individuals and create a priority list based on their need for assistance.**
- **The focus is on helping individuals recognize that they deserve support and guiding them to access it. Street outreach and case management involve intensive, consistent, and strategic efforts, requiring the partnership of city/county staff and law enforcement to identify and locate those living on the streets and most vulnerable. Building trust with individuals is crucial for effective engagement and long-term success.**
- **For each individual encountered, an intake assessment addressing the individual's issues and behaviors that led to homelessness is completed. The team then develops an action plan to achieve specific short and long-term outcomes, often including linkage to mental health and substance abuse treatment services and a permanent housing solution. SWAG collaborates with a network of homeless service providers within the City of Colton, the Colton Police Department, the County of San Bernardino Department of Behavioral Health, and the Department of Adult Services.**



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