
From: Michael Sigala <michael@sigalainc.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 10:04 AM
To: BOSComments
Cc: Michael Sigala
Subject: Public Comment - County CARES Act Funding July 27 public meeting
Attachments: July 3, 2020 combined letter to BOS.pdf

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July 27, 2020 CARES Public Workshop
Item 6, Strategic Investments
Comments:

On behalf of Magnolia Crossing Non-Profit Senior Assisted Living, We are providing this public comment pertaining to County CARES act funding for non-profit housing providers who serve vulnerable low-income seniors.

We have reached out to the Board of Supervisors on numerous occasions, which is highlighted in the file attached to this email, part of our public comment.

Assisted Living communities serve a VERY Vulnerable fragile senior population at risk for COVID. We, unlike Skilled Nursing Facilities and Hospitals do not receive CARES Act funding. We have spent tens of thousands of dollars on COVID and would like some partnership with the County in order to continue to serve this population.

COVID 19 has significantly impacted on operations, we have:

Provided COVID incentive pay to caregivers

Paid more in overtime

Hired a third-party staffing agency to augment staffing shortages

Paid for employee and resident testing

Purchased PPEs and other infectious disease measures

Limited new admissions due to public health recommendations

These factors have negatively impacted our operations severely.

We provide 24/7 care for low-income disadvantaged seniors, do not receive CARES Act support, and employ disadvantaged essential workers.

CARES Act support can be used for economic losses due to COVID 19. We strongly feel that support to local non-profit organizations housing and caring for the most vulnerable and priority population (seniors) is consistent with the intent of County of Fresno CARES Act funding.

Many thanks,

Michael Sigala, Board President

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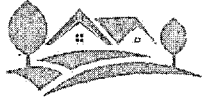
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July 3, 2020

Fresno County Board of Supervisors
Jean M. Rousseau, Administrative Officer
Hall of Records, Room 301
2281 Tulare Street
93721-2198

RE: CARES Act Funding to Nonprofit Organizations Serving Vulnerable Low-Income Seniors

Dear Board of Supervisors and Mr. Rousseau:

Please see attached the recent ABC News article regarding the impact of COVID 19 on senior assisted living communities.

The article reflects on many of the points we articulated in our June 23, 2020 letter to the Fresno County Board of Supervisors (also attached).

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. Please let me know if I can provide any additional information. I look forward to further discussions. I can be reached at 559.266.6222.

Sincerely,

Michael Sigala, Board President
Innovative Development and Living Solutions of California (501 C.3 nonprofit)
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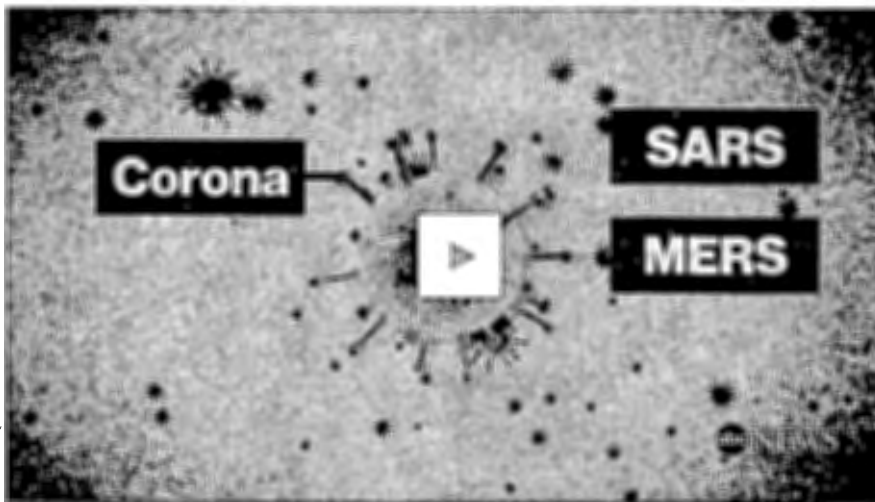
ABC NEWS CORONAVIRUS GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

7,000 killed in assisted living due to COVID-19, report finds

Dems to introduce bill to require reporting of assisted living COVID-19 deaths.

By Allison Pecorin

July 2, 2020, 2:09 AM • 7 min read



Coronavirus explained

Early cases of COVID-19 are believed to be linked to a live-animal market in Wuhan, China.

A new survey of assisted living facilities found that close to 7,000 seniors residing in these types of communities may have died from the novel coronavirus.

Because deaths in assisted living are not counted in federal records of nursing home deaths, the actual number is unknown.

The survey, conducted as part of an investigation led by Massachusetts Sens. Elizabeth Warren and Ed Markey, as well as Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., asked the nation's 11 largest assisted living facility operators about their experiences dealing with COVID-19, and discovered that 31% of seniors who contracted the coronavirus in an assisted living facility died from it. By applying that rate to all facilities nationwide, the survey determined close to 7,000 people have died in assisted living.

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As of now, assisted living facilities have received no federal support to combat the virus. Nursing homes, however, have received significant federal support in light of the pandemic, to the tune of nearly \$5 billion in economic aid and federal disaster shipments of much-needed protective equipment. Assisted living facilities have received no direct federal help.

Though nursing homes and assisted living facilities provide care to seniors, the two kinds of elder care are not identical. Unlike nursing homes, which typically cater to seniors with significant medical needs, assisted living facilities are retirement communities that serve elderly residents with varying degrees of independence, with some offering graduated care. There are about 1.4 million Americans in nursing homes, and about 1 million who reside in assisted living facilities, according to industry advocates.

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But while nursing homes are regulated by the federal government and often funded, at least in part by Medicaid, assisted living facilities are regulated largely by the states and localities and are generally funded privately. Protective measures for nursing homes introduced by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid do not apply to assisted living facilities, nor does the surge of federal aid available to nursing homes.



📷 Sen. Elizabeth Warren wears a protective mask while departing the U.S. Capitol following votes in Washington, June 25, 2020.

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The discrepancy between the two types of facilities has caught the attention of lawmakers, who argue more must be done for vulnerable seniors.

"We are simply not doing enough to protect our seniors or workers in assisted living homes from this deadly virus," Markey said in a statement.

"This report confirms that, just like nursing homes, assisted living facilities present significant risks for coronavirus infection and outbreaks of COVID-19."

Assisted living facilities are also not currently required to report their cases or fatalities to federal officials and, according to the report, none of the surveyed providers have reported these deaths. That means that the thousands of deaths documented by providers as part of the congressional investigation are not reflected in the over 30,000 reported nursing home deaths already being tallied by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid.

Contacted by ABC News for a previous story, the agency stated that they do not have authority over assisted living facilities as they are not federally regulated.


Warren and Markey plan to introduce legislation in the Senate on Thursday that, if passed, would condition any future coronavirus relief funding for assisted living on facilities reporting their cases to state, local and federal officials. A similar piece of legislation is being introduced by Maloney in the House.

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"Assisted living centers are facing a COVID-19 crisis that is almost as bad as the crisis in nursing homes -- but without being subject to the same regulations or oversight, and with no help from the federal government," Warren said. "Policymakers, public health officials, and assisted living facility residents and their families need to know this information so they can make the right choices about how to save lives during the COVID-19 pandemic."

The bill would require assisted living facilities to notify federal state and local officials, as well as loved ones, if there is a confirmed COVID-19 case in an assisted living facility and would apply all future reporting requirements for nursing homes to assisted living facilities.



 A person walks into an Orange County nursing home in Huntington Beach, Calif., April 22, 2020. Allen J. Schaben/Los Angeles Times via Getty Images, FILE

For months, assisted living advocates have called on the federal government to do more for these types of facilities.

LeadingAge, an association of nonprofit providers of aging services that includes many nursing homes and assisted living communities sent a letter to Congress in May urging lawmakers to include funds for assisted living homes in any future coronavirus relief legislation.

"We implore you to take immediate action," Katie Smith Sloan, the president and CEO of LeadingAge wrote. "Our communities and older adults cannot wait for further relief."

In a statement in support of the senators' legislation, Dr. Georges Benjamin, the executive director of the American Public Health Association, an organization for public health professionals, said the bill would hold assisted living facilities to a higher standard.

"We know that older adults face a higher risk from COVID-19; we also know that the confined, congregate setting of these facilities puts those adults and the workers who support them at a higher risk of transmission," Benjamin said. "To protect these individuals and limit the community spread stemming from these facilities, it's essential that we exercise additional oversight in how these facilities report COVID-19 data."

It is not yet clear if the bill will gain support with Republicans, though lawmakers on both sides of the aisle have advocated that more be done for seniors.

In May, Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, who chairs the Senate Aging Committee, told ABC News she is "focused on helping to protect the health of vulnerable seniors in long-term care facilities during this pandemic."

What to know about the coronavirus:

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June 23, 2020

Fresno County Board of Supervisors
Jean M. Rousseau, Administrative Officer
Hall of Records, Room 301
2281 Tulare Street
93721-2198

RE: CARES Act Funding to Nonprofit Organizations Serving Vulnerable Low-Income Seniors

Dear Board of Supervisors and Mr. Rousseau:

We are writing to inquire and request consideration to provide operational support, from Fresno County CARES Act funding, to local non-profit organizations who serve vulnerable low-income seniors during this COVID pandemic.

Innovative Development and Living Solutions of California is a local nonprofit (501 C.3) who provides much needed senior assisted living at our community, Magnolia Crossing. Our community is mixed income, and provides housing and activities of daily living to seniors of all income groups, including very-low income seniors on Medi-Cal. Magnolia Crossing was developed as a public private partnership with the City of Clovis.

The COVID 19 crisis has had a significant impact on our operations. Since March, when the sheltering in place measures were first implemented, we have experienced major reductions in revenue and major increases in operating expenses resulting in a loss of net income in the range of tens of thousands of dollars, primarily due to:

- Limited new admissions of residents due to public health recommendations
- Loss of residents due to natural deaths and placements to higher acuity facilities
- Increased wages through incentive bonuses to prevent caregiver resignations
- Overtime increases due to limited staff
- Hiring of a third-party staffing agency to augment staff shortages
- Offering and paying for COVID testing for employees
- Purchasing of PPEs, and other infectious disease control measures

Our operations, and the operations of other similar organizations, will continue to experience unprecedented losses due to COVID 19 for the unforeseeable future.

We do not understand how Fresno County is apportioning its CARES Act funding. We appreciate the assistance the County has provided to small businesses and other public health awareness and prevention measures. Unlike skilled nursing facilities and hospitals, senior assisted living providers do not receive CARES Act funding directly from the federal government, yet we serve on the "front line" of the COVID crisis.

We are hereby requesting consideration of operational support to local nonprofit organizations who provide assisted living opportunities to low income seniors. This request is consistent with the intent of the CARES Act funding by providing economic support to organizations suffering from COVID 19 business losses. We believe additional economic support is merited to nonprofit organizations housing and caring for the most vulnerable and priority populations impacted by COVID 19.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. Please let me know if I can provide any additional information. I look forward to further discussions. I can be reached at 559.266.6222.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Sigala', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Michael Sigala, Board President
Innovative Development and Living Solutions of California (501 C.3 nonprofit)
Magnolia Crossing Senior Assisted Living

From: Yenifer Gallegos-Mejia <yenigallegosmejia@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 4:41 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: 7/28/2020 Meeting

Hello Fresno County Board of Supervisors,

My name is Yenifer Gallegos-Mejia and I am in District 1 talking on the behalf of our westside rural communities. As someone who resides in Kerman and has done extensive community organizing work in Kerman I am not pleased to see that the board is doing absolutely Nothing to protect our people. We are suffering from your lack of decisions and lack of investment. Unfortunately, we do not have enough testing sites or accessibility to tests or we don't have the time through the workday since there are a lot of essential workers in our west side communities, especially San Joaquin and Kerman.

We also need a rent moratorium and halt all evictions. People can not afford to pay their rent because of the massive unemployment rate that you have contributed to. We shouldn't have reopened at such an early stage, although the county was defiant in governor Newsom's orders.

Please step up and do your job or find another profession.

From: Leslie Martinez <lmartinez@leadershipcounsel.org>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 4:51 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: Workshop July 28 - Public Comment

My name is Isabel Solorio, I am community Leader in Lanare

We urgently need the County to use CARES dollars to address:

More testing in our rural community because we need to know who has COVID-19, we need our government to closely monitor those who have COVID to ensure they are able to safely quarantine. We need to make sure that testing is available for walk-up and drive-up.

Additionally, we need our Sherriff to do their job and shut down large parties, people need to do their job to flatten the curve.

We need PPE for food distribution volunteers and for ag workers.

We need the county to set up help for those who need help with rents, utilities, and mortgages.

We need better communication from the county and the rural areas, there is no information reaching out to communities.

Please, address the real needs of communities. Put COVID relief to work in the areas that need it most. People in our community are dying.

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From: Leslie Martinez <lmartinez@leadershipcounsel.org>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 5:22 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: 7/28 - workshop public comment

Cantua Creek needs more information and more resources to assist community members who are dealing with COVID-19.

People are working in the fields sick because they are too scared to stop working because then they can't pay their bills. People do not have access to masks and have the ability to wash their hands in the fields. There needs to be more testing and better advertisement of it. No one ever told us there was testing at the school. We also need testing where we can walk to.

We also need more food distributions in our community. we do not have transportation right now and getting to food distributions is getting difficult.

We hope you find it in your hearts to ensure that poor communities get help too.

- Blanca Gomez

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From: Leslie Martinez <lmartinez@leadershipcounsel.org>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 5:25 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: 7/28 Workshop Public Comment

Hello,

I am once again asking for what I asked for in **May** when this board received their funds.

COVID-19 has greatly impacted my community and the entire region. Families are really struggling to make ends meet, people have lost their jobs, and many parents are struggling to teach their kids. Hearing about the \$84 million dollars awarded I ask the county to think of creative ways to fund:

- Helping pay rents and mortgages
- Helping with bills like the internet, cellphones, utilities, etc.
- Funds for schools to provide support for children who are falling behind, a way for social distance learning to be brought to smaller underprivileged areas.

I do not know what else will make you listen, because people are dying and you all take no responsibility.

- Maria, Cantua Creek

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From: Rudy Hernandez <rudy@cityoforangecove.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 8:58 AM
To: BOSComments
Subject: Letter to Supervisor Buddy Mendes from Orange Cove Re: Housing Assistance
Attachments: Letter to Supervisor Buddy Mendez Regarding Housing Assistance.pdf

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Please give this letter to our Supervisor Buddy Mendes.

Thank you
Rudy Hernandez
Interim City Manager
City of Orange Cove

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Victor P. Lopez

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Diana Guerra Silva

City Council Members:
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July 28, 2020

Supervisor Ernest Buddy Mendes
2281 Tulare, Room 301
Fresno, CA 93721

RE: City of Orange Cove Housing Assistance

Dear Supervisor Mendes,

On behalf of the City of Orange Cove, I am sending you this letter to kindly request your assistance. The City of Orange Cove (City) and its residents have been seriously impacted by the on-going COVID-19 pandemic. Consequently, many residents have lost their jobs or seen their wages reduced. The City is a severely disadvantaged community with a median household income (MHI) below 60 percent of the State's MHI.

The City's residents are unable to pay for basic monthly expenses such as rent or utilities. It is my understanding that the County will be pursuing Federal and State assistance through the CARES Act to assist low income residents that are experiencing similar circumstances.

It is the City's, and its City Council, desire to seek your help to secure some funding that can alleviate the City residents. Please consider this letter as the City's permission to act on its behalf at the County and State level.

Should you have any questions do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Rudy Hernandez
City Manager

From: Carmen Navarro <carmen1906@att.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:09 AM
To: Clerk/BOS
Cc: Rep. Jim Costa; Harris@harris.senate.gov; Melissa Hurtado
Subject: Joint City and County COVID-19 Workshop

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Fresno county resident
Carmen Navarro
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From: Felix, Gilbert <Gilbert.Felix@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 11:31 AM
To: BOSComments
Subject: Cox Costa Letter to County and City
Attachments: 2020 Cox Costa Letter Fresno County.pdf

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Our offices sent this letter last Friday and received confirmation that it was received, thank you. Additionally, I would like to submit this letter today to be made part of the record of proceedings.

Thank you,

Gilbert Felix, District Director
Congressman TJ Cox (CA21)
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Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

July 24, 2020

Fresno City Council
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Fresno, CA 93721

Fresno County Board Supervisors
2281 Tulare St
Fresno, CA 93724

Dear Supervisors and Council Members:

Like you, we are extremely distressed by the rising number of Fresno County residents infected and dying from COVID-19. Despite our efforts in Congress to provide the necessary resources to combat the virus, the Administration has not set forth a national plan. Because of this, what you are doing locally, in collaboration with the state of California, is vitally important.

As you know, in Fresno County there have been at least 11,412 confirmed cases and at least 104 deaths, per California's county data monitoring (<https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap-counties/>). And sadly, the numbers are growing and as you are further aware, the Fresno County Department of Public Health, has indicated that Fresno County is about a week away from running out of hospital beds and will need to utilize the Fresno Convention Center as an alternative care site, if conditions do not improve.

We are writing to urge you to use all the resources at your disposal to address this crisis with the seriousness it demands and ask how, as your representatives in Congress, we can work together to fight this virus.

In April, Congress passed the bi-partisan CARES Act, which provided \$81,579,507.20 in direct allocations and \$16,438,000 in state allocations for Fresno County, and \$92,755,912.80 in federal funds sent to the City of Fresno. Every dollar of those funds is vital to respond to the crisis at hand. That is the purpose of these dollars. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has affirmed that *widespread testing and contact tracing* is an absolute priority for fighting the virus. We are concerned about the city and county of Fresno's progress on testing and its contact tracing efforts and would like more information about efforts to hire and implement plans to isolate and contain this virus.

We are especially concerned about our frontline agricultural and meatpacking workers and vulnerable populations who have already suffered from the virus. This is an especially busy time in our agriculture industry with harvests and we, like you, are concerned about the safety of workers. As you know, these frontline workers are critical to maintaining our nation's food supply. We urge you to especially prioritize the health and well-being of these essential workers.

As we are all too aware, it is challenging to reach those in rural communities who may not speak English in order to arm them with credible and educational information to protect themselves or

avail themselves of testing or other health services. We encourage you to work with farmworker organizations, employers and other local leaders to create needed services to contain the spread of this virus within this critical sector. We would encourage mobile testing sites which can reach vulnerable communities at their homes or other critical points of access. We would be appreciative of a written response regarding efforts the County is taking to assist these critical workers and their families.

One of the most important and scientifically proven methods to contain the virus is for everyone to wear a mask whenever they are in public. The Fresno County Board of Supervisors and Fresno County Department of Public Health should make every effort to enforce Governor Newsom's guidelines. The county has been inconsistent with its messaging on this subject. We encourage you to send a strong, consistent message to our community on mask usage and shelter-in-place guidelines. These are difficult times, and we all must do our part to flatten the rate of infection curve in order to get Fresno County back on the right track.

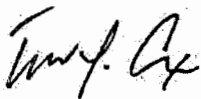
Public health has long been underfunded, and we know that rural governments have been asked to take unprecedented action with limited resources. We urge the Board to make a robust, direct assessment of the County's current testing capacity and contact tracing efforts, and quickly use more of the federal funds that Congress provided the County and City to reach CDC-recommended levels of testing and tracing, as soon as possible.

We need strong measures and leadership like never before and are encouraged to see the County's efforts to collaborate with the City of Fresno and state leaders on July 28. Gathering community input on what a collaborative, robust response to this pandemic should entail, before your next scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting on Aug. 4, is an important step. We would be happy to collaborate in these efforts and plan to have our staffs monitor the discussion.

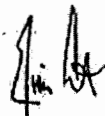
These are unprecedented times. We stand ready to help. We've worked daily with our colleagues in Washington to provide five relief packages and continue to work on new measures to help our communities through this difficult time. We are a resource for you, whether that means advocating for more funding, targeted measures, or coordination and communication with state leaders. Please let us know how we can be of service in achieving our shared goals.

The city and county of Fresno must work together on this unprecedented public health crisis that is affecting America. We stand ready to continue our efforts to support you for the well-being of our citizens.

Sincerely,



TJ COX
Member of Congress



JIM COSTA
Member of Congress

cc: Governor Gavin Newsom

Dr. Sonia Angell, California Department of Public Health

David Pommaville, Fresno County Public Health Director

Dr. Rais Vohra, Fresno County Public Health Officer

Katie Wheeler Mathews, Washington DC Office of the California Governor

From: Peter c Flores <psflores2035@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 10:50 AM
To: District 4; Clerk/BOS
Subject: County of Fresno's Joint COVID-19 Strategy

Mr. Mendes,

Today, during the Facebook Live event I saw you for the first time. I wonder if we can agree that this current situation requires our leaders to work cohesively together. Your acrimony for Fresno City Councilmembers was palpable. It doesn't build trust or mutual respect. We are relying on our leaders to lead effectively during this unprecedented time. We, Fresno County residents (like me), see you. We hear you when you speak. We hear you when you remain silent. Be honorable. Be respectful. Work in the "We" not the "I".

Warm regards,
Sandra R. Flores
Fresno County Resident
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Evans, Sherrie

Subject: FW: Farmworkers Need your Immediate Help

From: Carmen Navarro <carmen1906@att.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 12:00 PM
To: Clerk/BOS <ClerkBOS@fresnocountyca.gov>
Cc: avr@ccatfresno.org
Subject: Farmworkers Need your Immediate Help

Supervisors: This emergency problem is within your district.

What can you do?

Carmen Navarro
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Armando Valdez

County District 3 and 4.
Many farmworkers are
now homeless because
the landlords have
removed them from their
properties for not being
able to pay rent on time.
There's very little work
because of the covid.

Ive found 3 homeless
camps of farm workers in
raisin city, riverdale, and
cantua creek.



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Subject: Today's meeting

Fresno County BOS,

I think it is sad that the BOS did not take the time to listen to all of the people who came to address you. The City Council makes you all look like amateurs, they at least listen to their constituents. You have lost my confidence as a Fresno County resident.

Fresno City Council,

I think the BOS has made it clear, it will be up to you alone to take this pandemic seriously. Unfortunately you do not have jurisdiction over the county rural communities, they certainly could use your leadership.