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Subject: FYI M. Libby, CEO, Somerville Homeless Coalition -- cc: City Council -- and Mayor of Somerville, MA
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Really Somerville Homeless Coalition ? Really Community Fridges?

cc: Somerville Mayor, City Council, Emily, etc.

Mr. Libby -- the below is for you and please do me a favor and make sure the people in charge of the community fridges gets this -- and the City Council and Mayor should know this.

You are continuing to not do your homework.

You placed a couple - 75ish older woman -- short and 2 black eyes now -- right -- yes.

And her husband -- mid to late 60's crack addict just arrested again -- right -- yes.

Both placed -- Fact -- by the church by the library at Davis Square.

She has Monthly SS# of over \$2,000 -- FACT.

He also has a monthly social security check -- I do not know the amount -- but he would get minimum 50% if he never worked -- which was military special opps --so we are looking at min \$3000 monthly income -- probably closer to \$4k.

Plus they get medicare of medicaid -- as they are eligible.

Plus they can get food.

And -- you have placed them in shelters -- when there are dirt poor people really needing help.

I also run the Somerville and Cambridge Volunteer Alliance -- as a volunteer -- and our family funds it through out foundation and we have over 200+ members -- 213 to be exact -- and so many say the same thing -- you place people who you like before others more difficult. We frankly do not care -- as you need to place people based on need -- and clearly -- the above 2 individuals are not placed on need. They can get a decent hotel -- even in Watertown -- which is charging \$300 week/\$1200 a month -- among many other options under \$1200.

AND -- while the 3 Somerville Community Fridges are not directly run by you -- and they are more a unofficial group -- and literally impossible to contact with a phone or email -- they are on social media like below. However, you promote it and partner with it and encourage donations.

And -- we have learned from a Somerville City Council Member -- that too is being financed in part by tax payer funds and the city council and mayor.

Those 3 fridges are intended for the poor to stop and grab some food. People with no money to eat.

This is what the public is told and to please drop off food and help and donate money -- of which -- it is not accounted for -- given the 2-3 people given credit for it -- and people are asked to donate to a person and not organization (another issue) but the BIG issue is the poor and homeless who walk the streets looking for food at night -- 11pm to 7pm -- are finding very little food.

WHY?

Let us take Union Square Fridge by DD -- photo attached -- 3 woman sit there usually 3-4 hours on Friday about 50 feet away on the street -- and as people drop off food -- they run and take it and put in bags. But Saturday is their big day -- after the Farmers Market closes -- at 1pm they arrive -- usually 2 of the 3 and stay for 6 hours -- or more - - last week we monitored it -- they had 11 bags of groceries plus boxes of tomatoes w/50-100 in them plus more boxes of veggies -- and they hide more boxes of fruit and veggies brought over -- and take tons of food -- the woman took over 200 meatballs someone made and brought containers -- and the one has a daughter with a Van who comes every other hour or so and picks the stuff up -- they even sell the veggies to a Thai and Chinese Restaurant. They took gallons of milk (about 15) and bags of frozen fruit and premade meals (over 25) and much much more.

Everyone look at that photo attached -- do you see that storage space in front of the Community Fridge and Cabinets -- it looks different now -- as there is a pad lock and insidecomfy stools and seat cushions on them -- really.

I met Emily Baillieul and her nice friend last week who thoughtfully make time in their schedule to bring over food from the vendors after the Farmers Market closes on Saturday -- these woman who are stealing the food -- act like they are cleaning up the fridge -- and are being helpful but it is a scam -- they are stealing the food all day -- leaving largely what they do not like or want or can not sell -- as they also cook and sell food themselves.

The one woman sat there for 8 hours last Sat, and is there now on Friday -- as I am at DD looking at her and just argued with them to stop as there is no food left for the poor who need it and because who ever is responsible for these community fridges -- is running a scam letting anyone take it -- and not even have rules posted -- like -- these are not for groceries for the week and it is illegal to steal to sell it -- it is for consumption for those food insecure. I have photos and videos -- well, people involved with us do -- as I came over last Sat for 2 hours and pretended to wait with the woman -- and I am here now.

There fridges are empty at night -- not because there are not lots and lots of nice and giving people in our City of Somerville -- but because the food is being stolen. More needs to be done to make single portions -- as I mentioned to Emily -- maybe with the Zucchini -- we make tons of little loafs -- have a cooking day at a church or someplace -- and margaritas -- as there are lots of volunteers.

BUT -- there will be far fewer and far less support for your organization if I have to make this public and you are guilty through affiliation and the Mayor and Council -- if they are funding you and this folks behind the fridge do not immediately fix.

There are also vans and cars that goes to all of the fridges -- and people jump out -- and have cheap pasta or beans in hand and pretend or do put them in the fridge -- but they are really looking to steal whatever is in there -- again -- NO CONTROL,

That storage the woman has her comfy seat locked up -- SOME GET THAT OUT OF THERE. If they press got hold of that -- as it proves what I a saying and who ever is involved or funding is too dumb or stupid to provide oversight.

And -- it sure would be nice to hear what you are doing Mr. Libby.

As the only services for the homeless are SNAP and if disabled -- SSI. SNAP can be done on the phone in 15 minutes or on-line and SSI -- they have to got to the offices of the federal government. Emergency Shelters are all done -- as per the Governor. As for you partnering on providing shelter -- I understand there is nothing in sight besides 1-2 locations and those have huge lists for like 1- spots -- looks like you are not addressing the need -- which is talking about all the people walking the street and living in cars and living in parks in Somerville -- and now with Emergency Shelters ending -- it is getting cold -- and Somerville is not prepared -- and sanctuary cities are F****D.

You and your staff must have a little time to help with the fridges -- and I would suggest you take it over. Consider my info above -- my contribution -- as one sight knows -- I was thinking of asking my brother and sister to buy 3 water fountains -- like the city has wisely put in -- but I am not about too with the disaster that is the fridges.

Emily -- I will send you an email -- I spoke to another group that would love to get homemade tomato sauce -- thank you for all you are doing.

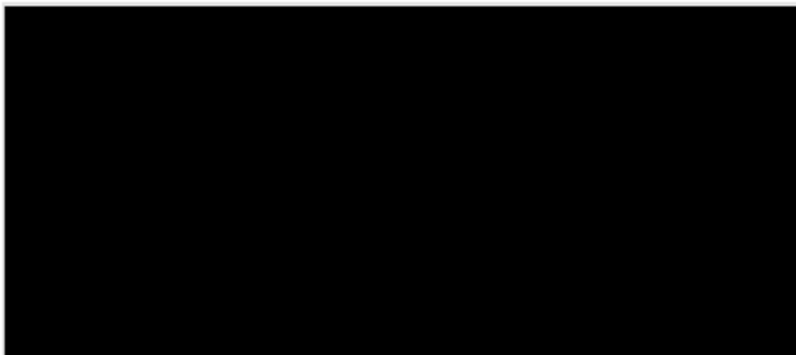
Excuse typos and grammar and spelling -- I am tearing through this watching these ladies still stealing bags of groceries as soon as folks drop them off -- maybe someone can alert Chief Shumeane Benford -- but the police are strapped to help without any policies or rules -- as right now it is a free for all. Stupid police -- just imagine the public finding out this happens -- imagine no more -- I know as many others do too and support is not increasing -- it is decreasing -- and I hope Emily will also consider this --- as I know 3 big donors -- not huge but in thousands are stopping support.

And, if you look at my last name - you can figure out which family I am with from the top 25 foundations in America.

3 community fridges on facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/409646247664852/>

cc: Mayor Katjana Ballantyne



Office of Mayor Katjana Ballantyne

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Scott's 3 Primary Social Media Platforms

Scott on Facebook w/2,700+ Followers

Scott on X w/28,500+ Followers

Scott on LinkedIn w/29,700+ Followers

Global Youth Justice's Social Media Platforms now are 41 Total w/one of the Largest Social Media Network in USA and Globally of any Justice and Volunteer Nonprofit. 11 @X Accounts and 23 other Platforms and 154,500+ e-News Subscribers w/a Few Platforms Listed Below.

Global Youth Justice (GYJ) Website

(update underway w/new features coming soon)

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GYJ on INSTAGRAM

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GYJ Website Under Development

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