



Date: September 7, 2018

To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *P.H. West*

From: Kelly Colopy, Director of Health and Human Services *KC*

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Spare Change Collection at Long Beach Airport to Support Homeless Services**

The Long Beach Airport (Airport) and the Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) have collaborated to launch a pilot program to assist individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Under the banner of the "*Spare Change Changes Everything*" campaign, passengers may voluntarily empty their pockets and deposit spare coins and bills into a clearly marked donation box before proceeding through security screening at Long Beach Airport (see attached photo).

The Health Department's Homeless Services Division will use these donations to provide support directly to individuals and families experiencing homelessness with such items as hygiene products, food, clothing, and crisis housing. No Airport revenues will be contributed to the program. The pilot program will run through the end of 2019.

If you have any questions regarding "*Spare Change Changes Everything*," please contact Elsa Ramos at (562) 570-4588, Elsa.Ramos@longbeach.gov.

Attachment

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