

COUNCILMEMBER CHRIS CATE DISTRICT 6

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CHRIS CATE KICKS OFF 2015 HOMELESS CENSUS AT OPERATION HOMEFRONT

San Diego, CA: On Friday, January 23, San Diego City Councilmember Chris Cate will be kicking off the Regional Task Force on the Homeless' annual homeless count known as WeAllCount, at Operation Homefront located in the Miramar community. Last year, 36 individuals were counted in the sixth district.

The Regional Task Force on the Homeless (RTFH) is collaborating with local volunteers throughout San Diego County to conduct the annual Point-in-Time Homeless Count, known as WeALLCount, on January 23, 2015. WeAllCount enables our region to better understand the scope, impact and potential solutions to homelessness; and empowers our community to qualify for funding that is essential to addressing the issue. Knowledge leads to understanding, which results in change. RTFH provides insight on what it takes to reduce, prevent, and end homelessness. <u>www.rtfhsd.org</u>

"A solution-oriented and regional approach must be taken to mitigate and prevent homelessness. Accessible and accurate data is vital for developing effective programs for individuals in need and our neighborhoods. Orchestrated efforts, such as WeAllCount, assists with data-collecting efforts," stated Councilmember Cate. Councilmember Cate and his staff will be counting individuals in the Mira Mesa and Miramar canyons.

WHAT: Councilmember Chris Cate, several Council District 6 staff, community volunteers and Operation Homefront staff.

WHERE: Operation Homefront, 8318 Miramar Mall, San Diego, CA 92121 (Major cross streets: Miramar Road & Miramar Mall)

WHEN: Friday, January 23, 2015. 4:00am-7:00am.

VISUALS: Maps, data documents, informational packets, volunteers

About Councilmember Chris Cate:

Chris Cate is an advocate and voice for all residents in District 6. Chris proudly represents the neighborhoods of Clairemont Mesa, Kearny Mesa, Mira Mesa, Miramar, Park Village and Sorrento Valley. Chris will prioritize infrastructure improvements, recruit and retain quality police officers and help residents engage with elected officials, which will improve the quality of life in the neighborhoods of District 6. Visit <u>www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd6/</u> or call (619) 236-6616 to learn more about Chris, his staff and District 6.